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## Education

**Doctor of Philosophy**

January 2016

Chinese Studies Division

Jawahar Lal Nehru University

School of International Studies

**Senior Scholar**

July 2011

School of Marxism/

Beijing Normal University

School of Political Science and International Relations

**Master of Philosophy**

June 2008

Chinese Studies

Jawahar Lal Nehru University

**Master of Arts in International Studies**

June 2006

Stella Maris College at Chennai

**Bachelor of Science in Mathematics**

June 2004

Ethiraj College for Women at Chennai

## Research Interests

Chinese Nuclear and Strategic Studies, India-China Relations, China's Foreign Relations with Russia, North Korea, and United States, Chinese Ancient Philosophy and Civilisation.

## Current Affiliation

Associate Fellow, **Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses**, 2013-present

Member, **Editorial Board of Strategic Analyses, Routledge**, 2018-present

## Other Affiliation

Member, Committee for Sexual Harassment of Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses - 2018 - till present

## Past Affiliation

Book Review Editor, **Editorial Board of Strategic Analysis, Routledge** 2015-2018

## Fellowship/Scholarship/Grant

ICSSR Data Grant for Field Research in China 2015

## Select Publications

### Journal Articles/Commentary (Peer Reviewed and Refereed)

China's DF-41 Ballistic Missile Deployment and Impact on Its Nuclear Deterrence, *Journal of Defence Studies*, Vol 13, Issue 4, 2019

<https://idsa.in/jds/13-4-2019-china-df-41-ballistic-missile-ms-prathibha>

The Promise of China's Cooperative Behaviour Towards India, Commentary, *Strategic Analysis*, V. 39, Issue 6, November 2015, Routledge.

<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/09700161.2015.1090686>

### Book Reviews

Review of India-China Boundary Issues: Quest for Settlement by R S Kalha, *China Report*, Vol 53, Issue 3, 421-424, August 2017, Sage Journals.

### Book Editor

M. S. Prathibha (Editor), **China's Rising Strategic Ambitions in Asia**, Pentagon Press, December 2018

<https://idsa.in/book/easr-china-rising>

### Book Chapters (Peer-Reviewed and Referred)

**India-North Korea Relationship: A Case of Limited Aims and Strategic Calculations** in Titli Basu (Edt), *Major Powers and the Korean Peninsula: Politics, Policies and Perspectives*, KW Publishers, New Delhi 2019

<https://idsa.in/book/major-powers-and-the-korean-peninsula>

**China-Pakistan Economic Corridor**, in Srikanth Kondapalli and Hu Xiaowen, "One Belt and One Road: China's Global Outreach", Pentagon Press, 2017

[http://www.pentagonpress.in/book\\_details.aspx?this=10956](http://www.pentagonpress.in/book_details.aspx?this=10956)

**Reform and Restructuring: Chinese Military in Transition** in Jagannath P. Panda (ed.), “China’s Transition under Xi Jinping”, 2016  
[https://idsa.in/system/files/book/book\\_china-transition-under-xi-jinping.pdf](https://idsa.in/system/files/book/book_china-transition-under-xi-jinping.pdf)

#### **Conference-Paper Presented and Published as Book Chapter**

**Kautilya and Sunzi: A Comparative Philosophical Perspective**, in Michael Liebig and Saurabh Mishra (eds), “The Arthashastra in a Transcultural Perspective: Comparing Kautilya with Sun-Zi, Nizam al-Mulk, Barani and Machiavelli, 2017

Kyurkoon Kim (eds), **Global Expectations for Korean Unification**, in Chapter, “**India**”, Korea Institute for National Unification, 2015

Lora Saalman (eds) (2012), **China-India Nuclear Crossroads: Verifying Fissile Futures: View From India**, in Carnegie-Tsinghua Center for Public Policy, Beijing.

#### **Special Features - Web**

**Recent Transitions in the Leadership of the PLA Rocket Forces**, Special Feature, IDSA Website link:  
[https://idsa.in/specialfeature/transitions-in-leadership-of-pla-rocket-forces\\_msprat\\_hibha\\_060616](https://idsa.in/specialfeature/transitions-in-leadership-of-pla-rocket-forces_msprat_hibha_060616)

#### **Mass Media and Web Commentaries**

**Mutual Apprehensions at India-China Border**, The Diplomat, March 13, 2020, at <https://thediplomat.com/2020/03/mutual-apprehension-at-the-india-china-border/>

**China and the Indo-Pacific: Contestations for Power and Nuclear Uncertainties**, East Asia Military Monitor, March-April 2019

**Xi Jinping’s Politics and What it Means for India**, IDSA Website, January 2019

**Why is South Korea Significant for India?**, The Nationalist (E-Journal), August 2018

**Perceptions and Misperceptions in China-India Relations**, East Asia Forum, October 20, 2017

**India and China's Contest for Influence over Myanmar**, Kootneeti, September 29, 2017

**China and India Need to Move Past Tensions**, IDSA Website Comment, March 29, 2017

**China's Preference for Border Peace and Control Over 'Early' Resolution**, Commentary, IDSA, July 14, 2015

**China's Defence Budget in 2014: An Assessment**, Commentary, IDSA, April 2014

### **Other Publications**

A Partnership of Mutual Expediency: China-Russia Relations in 2014, *China Year Book 2014*, IDSA Publication

Nuclear Developments in China in 2013, *China Year Book 2013*, IDSA Publication

### **Paper Presentations in Conference/Seminar**

**PLA Rocket Forces**, National Seminar on China's Military Modernisation, Conducted by Centre for Land Warfare Studies, at Taber Hall, Manekshaw Centre, Delhi Cantonment, New Delhi, on 8 November 2017.

**PLA Military Modernisation and Transition**, Seminar on Rise of China and Implications for India, Likabali Auditorium, Birchgunj, Port Blair, HQ Andaman and Nicobar Command, 11 April 2017.

**Japan in China's Strategic Calculations: Provocateur or Partner?** at an International Seminar on 'Trends and Transformations in China's Geopolitics, Society and Business' organized at the Chennai Centre for China Studies, Chennai on June 8, 2018

**Navigating India-China Relations in the Time of US' Indo-Pacific Strategy**, IDSA-CICIR Bilateral Dialogue, June 11, 2018, IDSA

**China's Military Transformations: Prospects and Implications for India**, National Conference on Regional Diplomacy and Institutional Cooperation: China and Its Neighbours, 2-3 March 2016, China Studies Programme, Academy of International Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia.

### **Talk as a Discussant**

**China's New Defence White Paper**, Discussant, Observer Research Foundation, 17 September 2019

### **Radio Interviews**

**Chennai -Informal Summit**, Expert Interview at All India Radio, Prasant Bharati, November 2019,

### **Talk as an Invited Faculty**

**India-China Relations**, Strategic Orientation Module for DIGs of BSF, 4 July 2017

**India-China Border Dispute**, 18 September 2015, Defence and Security Module for Senior BSF Commandants, IDSA

**India-China Relations: Challenges and Prospects**, Border Security Force Academy, Centre for Tactics and Strategic Studies, Tekenpur, 26 November 2018

**Emerging World Order**, Border Security Force Academy, Centre for Tactics and Strategic Studies, 26 November 2018.

**Major Issues in India-China Relations**, Border Security Force Academy, Centre for Tactics and Strategic Studies, 8 November 2019.

**Challenges in India's Relations with China**, Border Security Force Academy, Centre for Tactics and Strategic Studies, 20 February 2020.

### **Interviewed for Newspaper Article**

**Xi's Move Indicates Toughed Position in The Asian Age**, by Sanjib KR Baruah, April 22, 2017