

## CV

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### AREAS OF INTEREST

China's Approaches to International Order; Political Legitimacy of Communist Party of China (CPC); Territorial Sovereignty issues in China's Domestic Politics and Foreign Policy; China and its Neighbourhood; Political Economy of Western Regions of China; Tibet.

### ACADEMIC PROFILE

*Ph.D. (2022) in Political Science, Department of Political Science, School of Social Sciences, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad, India.*

*Thesis: Domestic Politics and International Order: A Constructivist Analysis of Chinese Discourses on Territorial Sovereignty.*

**Award/Viva Date:** October 06, 2022.

*One Year Chinese Language Program, Tsinghua University, Beijing (2019-2020).*

*One Year Certificate of Proficiency in Chinese Language, English and Foreign Language University, Hyderabad, India (2018-2019).*

*Short-term Certificate of Proficiency in Chinese Language, English and Foreign Language University, Hyderabad, India (2018).*

*Five-Year Integrated M.A. in Political Science, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad, India (2011-2016).*

### RESEARCH/WORK EXPERIENCE

March 27, 2023-onwards: Associate Fellow, Centre for Himalayan Studies, School of Humanities and Social Sciences Shiv Nadar Institution of Eminence, Greater Noida,

Delhi NCR.

Visiting Student, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China (2019-2020).

## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles and Occasional Papers

(Under review) Securitization of Economic Projects: A Case of Chinese Private Security Companies (PSCs) in Pakistan, *Journal of Defense Studies*

Multilateral Initiatives and Security Dilemma: Explaining India's Choice to Join the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB), *Strategic Analysis* (2021). <https://doi.org/10.1080/09700161.2021.1920496>

Traditional Cultural Ideas and Symbols, and Possibilities of Discursive Legitimacy in Contemporary China, *ICS OCCASIONAL PAPER NO. 54*, August 2020. URL: <https://www.icsin.org/uploads/2020/08/24/36ebf106b2b6a3ce8b21f7222a7e889a.pdf>

### Contributions to Edited Volumes

Community of Shared Interests as Counter to Indo-Pacific in Chinese Foreign Policy (Chapter 8) in Swaran Singh and Reena Marwah (eds), *China in the Indo-Pacific: Maneuvers and Manifestations* (Palgrave MacMillan, 2023), pp: 145-170.

### Select Other Publications

Book Review of 'Taiwan- A Light in the East: A Personal and Analytical Study by David Pandery', *International Journal of Taiwan Studies*, Volume 5 Issue 2, 2022, Pages 427-429.

Book Review of '[Art of Political Control in China by Daniel Mattingly](#)', Cambridge University Press, *China Report* Volume 57, Issue 1, 2021.

### Latest Newspaper/Magazine Op-Eds/ Blogs

[With US withdrawal, will Afghanistan see a China model?](#) Moneycontrol.com, July 26, 2021.

[The China Factor in India's Approaches to the Russia-Ukraine War](#), The Center for Strategic Analysis, Vienna (Austria), November 28, 2022.

[China's Peace Initiative on Ukraine-Russia War and India](#), The Center for Strategic Analysis, Vienna (Austria), March 2023.

[The People's Republic of China's Taiwan Policy: Shifts and Continuities Since the 20th Party Congress Period](#), *The Vienna School of International Studies*, the OFG Peaceful Change Discussion Paper, April 2023.

[India is reviving Buddhist heritage, standing by Tibet, countering China](#), *the Deccan Herald*, May 1, 2023.

### Fellowship/Awards

JRF/SRF by the University Grants Commission, Government of India (August 2016-August 2018).

Chinese Government Scholarship (CSC)-funded Visiting Student scholarship at Tsinghua University, Beijing, People's Republic of China (2019-2020).

### Conference/Seminar presentations

'Conventional Sources of Conflicts in Central Asia: The China Factor?' in an International Conference **Understanding Central Asian Perspectives on Eurasia** organized by the India-Central Asia Foundation (ICAF) at the India International Center (IIC), New Delhi from 11 to 13 April 2023.

A talk on **India-China Relations: Boundary Question and Beyond** at the Vienna School of International Studies on 24 March 2023. Video link: <https://www.facebook.com/DiplomatischeAkademieWien/videos/906310120695370/>.

China's Regional Strategy in its Neighborhood and India's China Challenge in two-day ULP international conference on **India's National Security Policies, Strategies and Challenges** organized by the Department of Political Science, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur & the Center for Strategic and Defense Research, New Delhi on January 20-21, 2023, at Jaipur.

China's Regional Strategy in its Neighborhood in two-day international conference on **Recent Political Developments in South Asian Region: Changing Strategic and Security Priorities** organized by the Department of Political Science, School of Distance Education, Calicut University, Kerala, on 20-23 February 2023.

'India-China Relations in the Contemporary Context' in one-day international conference on **Geopolitics and BRI in South Asia** organized by the Center for Social Inclusion and Federalism, Kathmandu (Nepal) on December 23, 2022.

‘Securitization of Economic Projects: A Case of Chinese Private Security Companies in South Asia’ in two-day national conference on **India-China Relations and the Way Forward** organized by the Viswa-Bharati University, Santiniketan on December 1-2, 2022.

‘Chinese Security Companies in Pakistan’ in on day seminar on **the CPEC: the Challenges Galore** organized by the Politeia Foundation, Hyderabad and the Telangana Mahila Vishwavidyalaya, Hyderabad at the Administrative Staff College of India, Hyderabad on November 26, 2022.

An Invited Presentation on ‘China’s Approaches to the International Order: A Constructivist Analysis’ at the Institute of Sinology, University of Vienna on January 19, 2022.

‘Political Legitimacy and the Revival of Traditional Culture in the Reform Period China: How Far It Can Go?’ in Annual V. P. Dutt Memorial International Conference on “**100 Years of Chinese Communism: Impact on East Asia and Beyond**” organized by Department of East Asian Studies, University of Delhi, New Delhi, India between October 29 and 31, 2021.

‘The Community of Shared Interests: China’s Counter to Indo-Pacific’ in an International Conference **Evolving Multilateralism in the Indo-Pacific: Conceptualization, Institutions, Major Actors and Emerging Issues** organized by the Association of Asia Scholars, New Delhi 30 April 2021.

‘A Critical Exploration of Gandhian Ideas in Chinese Popular and Academic Debates’ at an International Conference organized by the Association of Asian Scholars on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti celebrations (Virtual mode) on 30-31 October 2020.

‘Can Multilateralism Overcome Security Dilemma? A Comparative Study of BRI and AIIB in South Asia’ at the **Young Scholars’ International Conference** organized by the Nepal Institute of International Cooperation and Engagement from September 12 to September 14, 2020.

‘Multilateral Initiatives, Regional Connectivity and Development: A Case of China Sponsored Projects in South Asia’ in the **Second South Asian Border Studies Conference Beyond Boundaries and Borders: South Asian Quest for Peace, Development and Regional Connectivity** held at the Department of Civics and Politics, Mumbai University, Mumbai, Maharashtra during 1-2 March 2019

‘Popular Culture and Collective Memory of Sino-India War of 1962’ in the conference **Chinese Studies in India: Current Trends and Approaches** held at the English and

Foreign Language University, Hyderabad Telangana during March 7-8, 2019.

'Traditional Symbols, Leadership Styles and the Possibility of Discursive Legitimacy in Contemporary China' in the **All-India China Studies Conference** organized by O P Jindal Global University and Institute of China Studies, New Delhi during 7-9 November 2019.

### Academic Workshops/Special Courses

**Seven-Day International Research Methodology Course in Social Sciences.** 08 -14 March 2021, Centre for the Study of Social Exclusion & Inclusive Policy, University of Hyderabad in collaboration with Southern Regional Centre, Indian Council of Social Science research (ICSSR), Hyderabad.

Two-day workshop organized by the Association of Asian Scholars, New Delhi during 12-13 March 2021 titled **Evolving Multilateralism in the Indo-Pacific: Conceptualization, Institutions, Major Actors and Emerging Issues.**

**Ten-Day Academic Writing Workshop** organized by Action Lab, Center for Neural and Cognitive Sciences, University of Hyderabad from September 1 to December 15, 2020.

### Language Proficiency and Computer Skills

Simplified Chinese (Intermediate to Advanced), English, Hindi, Persian (Basic), Tibetan (learning Beginner level).

Computer Skills: Microsoft, SPSS.