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PROFILE

An M.Phil in Japanese Studies and has a keen interest in foreign policy and strategic studies of Japan and East Asia. I am meticulous, motivated and able to handle the assigned duties proficiently. I am ambitious, hardworking & an active learner and aim to bring enthusiasm to each role I take up.

EDUCATION

Currently Pursuing *M.Phil in Japanese Studies I 2021*
Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi, India

Masters in Politics with specialization in International Relations I 2018
Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi, India

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science I 2016
Jesus and Mary College, Delhi University

All India Senior Secondary Education, CBSE I 2013
Gyan Bharati School, New Delhi (Humanities stream)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Associate I Centre for Air Power Studies (CAPS), Delhi I February 2022-Present

Working under the Indo-Pacific Department, researching and writing articles and papers related to Japanese politics and foreign policy and the Indo-Pacific region.

Researcher I India Writes Network, Delhi I January 2021-August 2021 (Part-time)

Published and worked on several research reports and articles pertaining to International Politics and foreign policy, Japanese politics and foreign policy.

Research Assistant I Observer Research Foundation, Delhi I September 2018- July 2019 (Full-time)

Published several articles and papers and organised events under my supervisor's guidance. Worked under the supervision of Prof. K.V. Kesavan.

INTERNSHIPS

Research Intern I Manohar Parrikar Institute of Defence Studies and Analysis (MP-IDSA), Delhi I August 2020-September 2020

Worked in the East Asian Centre and wrote several reports and articles. Also worked on research reports.

Research Intern I Observer Research Foundation, Delhi I June 2018- August 2018

Organized an event on 'Korea-India Strategic Partnership' under my supervisor's guidance. Researched the issues of Japanese Politics and Foreign Policy and East Asia too, Worked extensively on Japan-Afghanistan relations.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

1. 'Abe's difficult role in the US-Iran tangle',
<https://www.orfonline.org/expert-speak/abes-difficult-role-in-the-us-iran-tangle-52235/>
2. 'How does Japan's ageing society affect its economy?',
<https://thediplomat.com/2019/11/how-does-japans-aging-society-affect-its-economy/>
3. 'Securing Peace in Afghanistan: A primer on Japan's role' (Issue-Brief)
<https://www.orfonline.org/research/securing-peace-in-afghanistan-a-primer-on-japans-role-63634/>
4. 'China-Japan: New tensions over the Senkaku Islands'
<https://www.9dashline.com/article/china-japan-new-tensions-over-the-senkaku-islands?rq=simran%20walia%20>
5. 'What a China+1 Policy might look like for Japan': Co-Authored with Dharish David
<https://www.globalpolicyjournal.com/blog/30/09/2020/what-china1-policy-might-look-japan>
6. 'Japan's view on the fall of Afghanistan'
<https://usanasfoundation.com/japans-view-on-the-fall-of-afghanistan>
7. 'India-Japan-US trilateral: Shaping the Indo-Pacific and its challenges'
<https://orcasia.org/india-japan-us-trilateralism-shaping-the-indo-pacific-and-its-challenges-2/>
8. 'The emerging AUKUS and its implications for Japan'
<https://capsindia.org/the-emerging-aukus-and-its-implications-for-japan-2/>

9. *'Japan-Russia ties amidst Ukraine Crisis'*
<https://capsindia.org/japan-russia-ties-amidst-ukraine-crisis/>

10. *'Evolving dynamics of Space Cooperation between India and Japan' (Issue-Brief)*
<https://capsindia.org/evolving-dynamics-of-space-cooperation-between-india-and-japan/>

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- *Selected as a Panelist* for Paper presentation, *'Impact of Covid-19 on SDG 9 in South Asia'* | Centre for South Asian Studies, Kathmandu | September 2021
- *Selected as a Panelist* for Paper presentation, *'Emerging challenges faced by the trilateral in shaping the Indo-Pacific'* | 13th International Conference of Australia, New Zealand and Oceania Research Association (ANZORA) and the Collegium of Management and Finance at the Warsaw School of Economics in Poland | December 2021

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Personal skills

Leadership quality, ability to work under pressure, motivated, diligent, amicable, Strong verbal and written communication, Articulate Public speaking

Software skills

Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel)

Areas of Research Interest

Strategic Studies, International Security, Foreign Policy, East Asia(Japan), South Asia

Hobbies

Writing, Research, Dancing, Travelling