

DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC CORE COURSE (DSC-2B): India's Foreign Policy

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Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
India's Foreign Policy MDSC 2B	4	3	1	-	NA	NA

Learning Objectives

This course introduces India's foreign policy to students by first explaining its key determining principles and objectives. They will learn about the central issues and developments pertaining to India's foreign policy at the bilateral, regional and global levels. The course also imparts an understanding of India's evolving relations with the superpowers during the Cold War and post-Cold War period with a special focus on India's neighbourhood diplomacy. India's bargaining strategies and positioning in international climate change negotiations and international economic governance will be taught to help the students understand changing positions and developments of India's role in the global domain since independence. This facilitates an understanding about the shift in India's identity from being a postcolonial state to an emerging power in the contemporary multipolar world.

Learning outcomes

At the end of this course, the students would acquire:

- Basic knowledge of the determinants, principles and key drivers of India's foreign policy.
- Understanding the original rationale of India's non-alignment policy and its relevance in the contemporary context as to how India exercises strategic autonomy in foreign policy choices.
- An insight about India's position in changing global power equations particularly its bilateral ties with powerful nations like the US and Russia along with India's largest neighbour, China.
- Understanding of India's neighbourhood diplomacy in South Asia with regard to important challenges pertaining to border disputes, migration and refugees
- Grasp of India's negotiation strategies in dealing with global challenges in the realm of trade and environmental governance.

SYLLABUS OF MDSC-2B

UNIT – I (5 Weeks)

India's Foreign Policy: Meaning, Determinants and Evolution

1.1 Domestic and International Determinants of India's Foreign Policy

- 1.2 Objectives and Principles
- 1.3 Non-Alignment and Beyond: Concepts, Policy and Relevance

UNIT – II (6 Weeks)

Changing Relations with the Global Powers from Cold War to the Post-Cold War Era

- 2.1 India and USA
- 2.2 India and Russia
- 2.3 India and China
- 2.4 India and EU

UNIT – III (4 Weeks)

India and the Neighbourhood: Issues and Challenges

- 3.1 Border disputes
- 3.2 Migration and Refugee Issues
- 3.3 Cross-border Terrorism

UNIT – IV (3 Weeks)

India in the Contemporary Multipolar World

- 4.1 India's Engagements in Multilateral Forums: Negotiations on Trade and Climate Change
- 4.2 India as a Global Power: Prospects and Challenges

Essential/recommended readings

Unit 1. India's Foreign Policy: Meaning, Determinants and Evolution

1.1 Domestic and International Determinants/ 1.2 Objectives and Principles

Essential Readings

Bandyopadhyay, J. (2003). Basic Determinants. In *Making of India's Foreign Policy*. New Delhi: Allied Publishers, pp. 26-80.

Dixit, J.N. (1998). India's Foreign Policy: Conceptual and Philosophical Origins. In *Across Borders: Fifty Years of India's Foreign Policy*. New Delhi: Thomson Press, pp. 1-13.

Dubey, M. (2016). India's Foreign Policy: Underlying Principles, Strategies and Challenges Ahead, in *India's Foreign Policy: Coping with the Changing World*. Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan, pp. 1-54

Additional Readings

Appadorai, A. (1981). Introduction. In *The Domestic Roots of India's Foreign Policy*. New Delhi: OUP, pp.1-26

Sahni, Varun. (2007). India's Foreign Policy: Key drivers. *The South African Journal of International Affairs*, 14 (2), 21-35.

1.3 Non-Alignment and Beyond: Concepts, Policy and Relevance

Essential Readings

Rana, A.P. (1976). *Imperatives of Non-Alignment: A Conceptual Study of India's Foreign Policy*. New Delhi: Macmillan pp. 1-10.

Mishra, K.P. (1981). Towards Understanding Non-alignment. *International Studies*, 20 (1-2), 23-37.

Yadav, R.S. (2021). Paradigm Shift: Non-Alignment to Globalization in *India's Foreign Policy in the Post-Cold War Years*. New Delhi: Pearson, pp. 41-50

Additional Readings

Ganguly, S. and Pardesi, M. (2009) 'Explaining Sixty Years of India's Foreign Policy', *India Review*, Vol. 8 (1), pp. 4–19.

Khilani, S., Kumar, R. et al. (2012) 'Non-Alignment 2.0', pp. 70. Available at <https://cprindia.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/NonAlignment-2.pdf>.

Kaura, V. (2021). Debating the Relevance of Non-alignment in Indian Diplomacy. *India Quarterly*, 77 (3), 501-506.

Unit 2. Changing Relations with the Global Powers from Cold War to Post-Cold War

2.1 India and USA

Essential Readings

Pant, H. V. (2016). India and the US: an emerging partnership, in *Indian foreign policy: An overview*, Manchester: Manchester University Press, pp. 21-34.

Dubey, M. (2016). Indo-US Relations in *India's Foreign Policy: Coping with the Changing World*, Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan Private Limited, pp. 208-258.

Additional Readings

Hagerty, D. T. (2016). The Indo-US Entente: Committed Relationship or 'Friends with Benefits'? in Ganguly, Sumit (ed.), *Engaging the World: Indian Foreign Policy Since 1947* (pp. 133-155). New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Dhaliwal, S. (2021). Introduction. In Shweta Dhaliwal (ed.), *Indo-US Relations: Steering through the Changing World Order*. New York: Routledge, pp. 1-9.

2.2. India and Russia

Essential Readings

Ollapally, Deepa M. (2010). The Evolution of India's Relations with Russia, In Sumit Ganguly (ed.), *India's Foreign Policy: Retrospect and Prospect* (pp. 226-247). New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Pant, Harsh V. (2016). India and Russia: Convergence over Time, in *Indian foreign policy: An overview*. Manchester: Manchester University Press, pp. 50-63.

Saran, Shyam. (2022). Implications of the Russia-Ukraine Conflict for India, Asia-Pacific Leadership Network, <https://www.apln.network/projects/trans-urasian-security/implications-of-the-russia-ukraine-conflict-for-india>

Additional Readings

Menon, R. (2015). India and Russia: The anatomy and Evolution of a Relationship. In David M. Malone, C. Raja Mohan, & S. Raghavan (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Indian Foreign Policy*. Oxford: OUP. pp.509-523.

Kapoor, N. (2019). India-Russia ties in a changing world order: In pursuit of a Special Strategic Partnership. *ORF Occasional Paper*, pp. 4-36.

Ganguly, Sumit. (2022). Why India Has Been Soft on Russia Over Ukraine. *The Diplomat*, April 15, <https://thediplomat.com/2022/04/why-india-has-been-soft-on-russia-over-ukraine/>

2.3 India and China

Essential Readings

Pant, Harsh V. (2016). India and China: An Uneasy Relationship, in *Indian foreign policy: An overview*. Manchester: Manchester University Press, pp. 35-49.

Saran, S. (2017). Changing Dynamics in India–China Relations. *China Report*, 53 (2): 259–263.

Additional Readings

Bhalla, Madhu. (2021). The China factor in India's economic diplomacy. In *A 2030 Vision for India's Economic Diplomacy*, Global Policy-ORF publication, April 26, pp. 1-11. Available at: <https://www.orfonline.org/expert-speak/china-factor-india-economic-diplomacy/>

Tellis, A. and Mirski, S. (2013). Introduction. In A. Tellis and S. Mirski (eds.), *Crux of Asia: China, India, and the Emerging Global Order*, Washington: Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, pp. 3-44.

Swaran, S. (2021). COVID-19 and India-China Equations: Examining their Interface in the Indian Ocean Region. *Chinese Studies Journal*, 15, pp.11-132.

2.4 India and the EU

Essential Readings

Pant, Harsh V. (2016). 'India and the European Union: A Relationship in Search of a Meaning', in *Indian Foreign Policy: An overview*. Manchester: Manchester University Press, pp. 64-74.

Khorana, S. (2021). The European Union–India Strategic Partnership: An Examination of the Economic Aspects. In: Gieg, P., Lowinger, T., Pietzko, M., Zürn, A., Bava, U.S., Müller-Brandeck-Bocquet, G. (eds) *EU-India Relations. Contributions to International Relations*. Springer, Cham, Switzerland, pp. 141-150.

Additional Readings

Abhyankar, Rajendra M. (2009). India and the European Union: A Partnership for All Reasons. *India Quarterly*, Vol. 65, No. 4, pp. 393-404.

Jain, Rajendra K. (2011). India's Relations with the European Union. In D. Scott (ed.) *Handbook of India's International Relations*. London and NY: Routledge, pp. 223-232.

Unit 3. India and the Neighborhood: Issues and Challenges

3.1 Border Disputes

Essential Readings

Das, Pushpita. (2021). Security Threats to India's Borders, in *India's Approach to Border Management: From Barriers to Bridges*. New Delhi: KW Publishers, pp.1-40.

Godbole, Madhav. (2001). *Management of India's international borders: Some Challenges Ahead*, EPW, Vol. 36, No. 48, pp. 4442-4444.

Additional Readings

Rajan, Amit. (2018). *India-Bangladesh Border Disputes: History and Post-LBA Dynamics*, Springer, pp. 89-125.

Ortan, Anna. (2010). Ch 2: Border Dispute with China, Ch 3: Border Dispute with Pakistan, Ch 4: Border Dispute with Bangladesh and, Ch 5: Border Dispute with Nepal, in *India's Borderland Disputes: China, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Nepal*, New Delhi: Epitome Books, pp. 5-71; 72-130; 131-167; and 168-216.

3.2 Migration

Essential Readings

Chowdhory, Nasreen (2016), 'Citizenship and Membership: Placing Refugees in India', in Uddin, N., Chowdhory, N. (ed.). *Deterritorialized Identity and Trans border Movement in South Asia*, Springer, pp. 37-54.

Norbu, Dawa, 'Tibetan Refugees in South Asia: A Case of Peaceful Adjustment', in Muni, S.D and Baral, Lok Raj (ed.) (1996). *Refugees and Regional Security in South Asia*, New Delhi: Konark Publications, pp. 78-98.

Additional Readings

Samuels, F., et al. (2011). *Vulnerabilities of movement: cross-border mobility between India, Nepal and Bangladesh*, Overseas Development Institute, pp. 1-12.

Datta, A. (2012) *Refugees and borders in South Asia: the great exodus of 1971*. Routledge Studies in South Asian Politics. New York Routledge, pp. 44-85.

Fiddian-Qasmiyeh, E. Loescher, et al. (2014). *The Oxford Handbook of Refugee and Forced Migration Studies*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 1-22.

3.3 Terrorism

Essential Readings

Singh, Rashmi. (2018). India's Experience with Terrorism. In Sumit Ganguly, Nicolas Blarel, Manjeet S. Pardesi (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of India's National Security*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 247-265.

Gupta, A., Behuria, A., Ramamna, P.V., & Das, P. (2012). India's Experience in Dealing with Terrorism, pp. 44-60. In Anand Kumar (ed.), *Terror Challenge in South Asia and Prospect of Regional Cooperation*. New Delhi: Pentagon Security International.

Muni, S. D. and Chadha, Vivek. Terrorism Emerging Trends, *Asian Strategic Review* 2016, KW Publications, pp 258-281.

Additional Readings

Sakthivel, P. (2010). Terrorism in India: The Unholy Neighbours, *The Indian Journal of Political Science*, Vol. LXXI, No. 1, Jan.-Mar, pp. 153-162

Anant, Arpita. (2011). India and International Terrorism. In David Scott (ed.) *Handbook of India's International Relations*. New York: Routledge, pp. 266-277.

Cordesman, Anthony H. (2017). *Terrorism in South Asia, Global Trends in Terrorism: 1970-2016*, Washington DC: Center for Strategic and International Studies Report, pp. 291-303.

Unit 4. India in the Contemporary Multipolar world

4.1 India's Engagements in Multilateral Forums

Essential Readings

Negotiations on Trade

Sharma, Mihir Swarup and Bhogal, Preety (2022). India and Global Trade Governance: A Saga of Missed Opportunities, in Harsh V Pant (ed.), *India and Global Governance: A Rising Power and Its Discontents*. New York: Routledge, pp. 109-134.

Mehta, S. P., & Chatterjee, B. (2015). India in the International Trading System. In David M. Malone, C. Raja Mohan & S. Raghavan (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Indian Foreign Policy*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, pp. 636-649.

Negotiations on Climate Change

Negi, A. (2014). India and the Climate Change Regime. In Amitabh Mattoo & Happymon Jacob (eds.) *India and the International System: Theory, Policy and Structure* (pp. 287-307). New Delhi: Australia-India Institute and Manohar Publications.

Dubash, K. N., & Rajamani, L. (2015). Multilateral Diplomacy on Climate Change. In David M. Malone, C. Raja Mohan, & S. Raghavan (eds.), *The Oxford Handbook of Indian Foreign Policy* (pp. 663-677). Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Additional Readings

Narlikar, A. (2021). India's Foreign Economic Policy under Modi: Negotiations and Narratives in the WTO and Beyond. *International Politics*, 59 (1), pp.148-166.

Mukherji, R. (2014). India and Global Economic Governance: From Structural Conflict to Embedded Liberalism. *International Studies Review*, 16(3), 460-466.

Mohan, A. (2017). From Rio to Paris: India in Global Climate Politics. Observer Research Foundation, pp. 1- 42. <https://www.orfonline.org/research/rio-to-paris-india-global-climate-politics/>

Nachiappan, K. (2019). Agenda-setting from behind: India and the Framework Convention on climate change. *India Review*, 18(5), pp. 552-567.

Sengupta, Sandeep. (2013). Defending 'Differentiation': India's Foreign Policy on Climate Change from Rio to Copenhagen in Kanti P. Bajpai and Harsh V Pant (eds.), *India's Foreign Policy: A Reader*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, pp. 389-411.

Sinha, U.K. (2011). India and Climate Change. In David Scott (ed.) *Handbook of India's International Relations*. London: Routledge, pp. 301-311.

4.2 India as a Global Power: Prospects and Challenges

Essential Readings

Kukreja, Veena. (2017). Dynamics of Change and Continuity in India's Foreign Policy under Modi's Regime in Shantesh K Singh (ed.) *India's Foreign Policy Continuity with Difference Under Modi Government*. New Delhi: Manak Publications, pp.1-16.

Saran, S. (2017). Shaping the World Order and India's Role, in *How India Sees the World: Kautilya to the 21st Century*. New Delhi: New Delhi: Juggernaut Books. pp. 258-275.

Additional Readings

Yadav, R.S. (2021). India as Rising Power Opportunities & Challenges in *India's Foreign Policy in the Post-Cold War Years*. Noida, Pearson, pp. 253-266.

Hall, Ian. (2019). Non-Alignment to Multi-Alignment, in *Modi and the Reinvention of Indian Foreign Policy*. Bristol: Bristol University Press, pp. 21-40.

Sikri, R. (2007). India's Strategic Choices in *Challenge and Strategy in Rethinking India's Foreign Policy*, New Delhi: Sage Publications., pp. 277-290.

Suggestive readings

Malone, David, Raja Mohan, C. and Raghavan, S. (eds.) (2015). *The Oxford Handbook of Indian Foreign Policy*, United Kingdom: Oxford University Press.

Ganguly, Sumit (ed.) (2016). *Engaging the World-Indian Foreign Policy since 1947*. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

Ragi, Sangit K. et.al. (2018). *Imagining India as a Global Power: Prospects and Challenges*. New York: Routledge.

Dubey, Muchkund (2015). *India's Foreign Policy: Coping with the Changing World*, Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan.

Ganguly, S. (2019). *Indian Foreign Policy: Oxford India Short Introductions*. Oxford University Press.

Ian Hall (ed.) (2014). *The Engagement of India: Strategies and Responses*. Washington DC: Georgetown University Press.

Dutt, V.P. (1984). *India's Foreign Policy*, Vikas Publishing House, New Delhi.

Resources in Hindi

गांगुली, सुमित (2018) भारत की विदेश नीति : पुनरावलोकन एवं संभावनाएं , अनुवादक: अभिषेक चौधरी, नई दिल्ली : ऑक्सफोर्ड यूनिवर्सिटी प्रेस।

सीकरी, राजीव (2009) भारत की विदेश नीति : चुनौती और राजनीति। नई दिल्ली : सेज भाषा।

अरोड़ा, लिपाक्षी, खन्ना, वी.एन., कुमार लेस्ली के. (2019). भारत की विदेश नीति। नई दिल्ली : विकास प्रकाशन।

दीक्षित, जे.एन. (2020) भारतीय विदेश नीति। नई दिल्ली : प्रभात प्रकाशन।

मिश्रा, राजेश (2018) भारतीय विदेश नीति : भुमंडलीकरण के दौर में। नई दिल्ली : ओरिएंट ब्लैकस्वान।

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आर. एस . यादव (2013), भारत की विदेश नीति। नई दिल्ली : पियर्सन एजुकेशन।

पुष्पेश पन्त (2010), भारत की विदेश नीति। नई दिल्ली : मैकग्राहिल एजुकेशन।

दत्त, वी.पी. (2015) ,बदलते दुनिया में भारत की विदेश नीति (1987 से 2008 तक)। दिल्ली : हिंदी माध्यम निदेशालय, दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय।

यादव, आर.एस. (2013) भारत की विदेश नीति। दिल्ली : पियर्सन।

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