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Dear Readers,

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Besides the usual course of geo-strategic confabulations and analyses, the readers would find that during the fortnight gone past, our fraternity of the Vivekananda International Foundation has focused on such issues which provide for the foundation of astute internal governance as well as foresighted diplomacy, but yet remain on the sidelines of analytical discourse.

In the context of the aforestated, we have an article on a 'New facet of Indian diplomacy', wherein, military to military bonds are being harnessed to strengthen inter-state relationship with Myanmar. Similarly, we have a piece on the incoming 'United States' Ambassador, who being a close aide to the US President, would have singular role to play in addressing our domestic as well as strategic concerns. In fact, the very gesture of such a personage being sent as the US emissary is indicative of a positive vision in bilateral understandings.

Nearer home, we have two pieces of high interest. One relates to India's joining the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO), while the other raises the concerns of the strategic community. Our this fortnight's uploads are further enriched by an Issue Brief on the connection between non-inclusive development and insurgency in Manipur.

Among various other recent uploads on the VIF website, www.vifindia.org, one write-up which would attract the readers' attention relates to the experts'



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interaction we had on "China's Belt, Road and India". The thoughts are salient indeed.

I am sanguine that the readers would be able to have a peek into those factors which determine the course of India's internal and external policy-making.

Yours Sincerely,



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