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# Monthly Report at a Glance

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## PUBLICATIONS

### COMMENTARIES

No	Pub. Date	Title	Author	Views on website*
1	1-Nov	Bhutan Elections 2018: Analysis	Medha Bisht	424
2	2-Nov	Ethiopia Hosts the First African Forum on Cybercrime	Dr Neha Sinha	371
3	3-Nov	SAMVAD Series of Conferences - India and Japan Find a Common Language on Shared Values	Dr Arvind Gupta	308
4	6-Nov	Iran, US Sanctions and Oil	Amb D P Srivastava	267
5	6-Nov	Imran Khan's China visit: China's Deafening Silence on Financial Bailout	Dr Arvind Gupta	391
6	12-Nov	Relevance of India's Nuclear Triad	Ajit Kumar	633
7	15-Nov	Public Call for Independence - What it Means for Taiwan	Gunjan Singh	339
8	19-Nov	Architecture in Success of a Strategic Platform : Lesson from Arihant	Vice Adm Raman Puri	257
9	22-Nov	India-Nepal Relations under PM Oli	C D Sahay & Sushmita Bharti	195
10	22-Nov	India's African Focus Continues	Amb Anil Trigunayat	366
11	22-Nov	INS Arihant's Deterrence Patrol: A Critical Milestone in India's Nuclear Posture	Kapil Patil	293
12	26-Nov	Sri Lanka At Cross Roads: Political Crisis Defies Solution	PM Heblkar	181
13	26-Nov	America First: Foreign Policy of Mr. Trump	Dr Arvind Gupta	222
14	27-Nov	Visit of the Financial Action Task Force to Pakistan	Shruti Punia	265
15	30-Nov	Imran Khan's China Visit and the IMF	Prateek Joshi	164

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## PUBLICATIONS

### ARTICLES

No	Pub. Date	Title	Author	Views on website*
1	6-Nov	West Asia Review, October, 2018	Amb Anil Trigunayat	299
2	8-Nov	Bangladesh Elections: Growing Influence of 'Hefazat'	Abhijit Chakraverty	415
3	10-Nov	Moscow Regional Consultations on Afghanistan: Can India Play a Role?	Arvind Gupta	399
4	13-Nov	The Middle East and the Israeli Gains – Bridging the Diplomatic Divide	Amb Anil Trigunayat	1250
5	13-Nov	Pakistan: The Asia Bibi Case and its Aftermath	Tilak Devasher	2099
6	28-Nov	Impasse in Jammu and Kashmir	Maj Gen (Retd.) P K Chakravorty	278
7	28-Nov	RCEP: What's in it for India	Hennashka Israni	306
8	29-Nov	The DGCA Guidelines - A Step Forward	Lt Gen (Dr) V K Saxena	247

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## PUBLICATIONS

### BOOK REVIEWS

No	Pub. Date	Title	Author	Views on website*
1	22-Nov	'China's Asian Dream', by Tom Miller, London: Zed Books, 2017, Pages: 256, Price: USD 20.29, ISBN 978-1- 78360-923-9	Dr Teshu Singh	504

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## PUBLICATIONS

NATIONAL SECURITY | BRIEFS

No	Pub. Date	Title	Author	Views/Downloads on website*
1	1-Nov	China's Expanding Role in Africa: An Assessment	Aayush Mohanty	874/429
2	26-Nov	National Security Vol. I Issue II   November 2018		681/ 158
3	28-Nov	U.S. National Cyber Strategy and Department of Defence (DoD) Cyber Strategy: An Analysis	Maj Gen P K Mallick	375/60

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## PUBLICATIONS

### VIF NEWS DIGEST

No	Pub. Date	Title	Period	Views on website*
1	6-Nov	VIF News Digest: International Developments	29 Oct – 04 Nov 2018	817
2	22-Nov	VIF News Digest: International Developments	05 – 11 Nov 2018	85
3	26-Nov	VIF News Digest: International Developments	12 – 18 Nov 2018	236
4	29-Nov	VIF News Digest: International Developments	19 – 25 Nov 2018	481

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\* **VIF** also issues [Neighbourhood News Digest & Information Alerts](#) on a daily bases.

\* All these and more are available at the VIF website [www.vifindia.org](http://www.vifindia.org).

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## SCHOLARS OUTREACH

### Articles/OPEDS in Indian main stream Media/Journal:

- **1 Nov:** Amb Anil Wadhwa, Distinguished Fellow, VIF – *‘Technology Tie-Ups Dominate Italian Prime Minister Conte’s Visit To India’*, Published in Outlook Magazine.
- **13 Nov:** General NC Viji, PVSM, UYSM, AVSM, Member of Executive Committee, VIF – *‘Arihant to India’s defence: Nuclear triad is now fully operational and provides us with credible strategic deterrence’*, Published in The Times of India.
- **19 Nov:** Amb Satish Chandra, Vice Chairman, VIF – *‘The Trinity Of Power’*, Published in The Indian Express.
- **19 Nov:** Amb Anil Trigunayat, Distinguished Fellow, VIF – *‘The Challenges of Economic Diplomacy: Reminiscence of a Diplomat’*, Published in Madras Courier.
- **25 Nov:** Prateek Joshi, Research Associate, VIF – *‘Tahir Khan Dawar Murder Case: Divergent narratives and missing dots’*, Published in South Asia Program at the Hudson.
- **30 Nov:** Dr Harinder Sekhon, Senior Fellow, VIF – *‘The Quad Way: Mapping Pathways of Cooperation’*, Published in The Global Insights India, ‘India and the World, Vol 2, No. 1’.

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## Participation in Conferences:

### Maj Gen P K Mallick, VSM (Retd), Consultant, VIF

- **4 Nov:** Delivered a talk on "Indo-US cooperation after the 2+2 meeting - the Next Stage" at a Seminar on "INDO-US RELATIONS IN A CHANGING WORLD - IMPLICATIONS FOR INDIA" organised by Forum for Strategic Initiatives (FSI) and the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS) held at Hotel Taj Man Singh, Villa Medici.

### Harinder Sekhon , Senior Fellow, VIF

- **12 Nov:** Presented a Paper at a 'Conference on American Approach Towards the Indo-Pacific Security and Korean Peninsula', at IDSA- Korea Foundation - Sejong Institution, New Delhi.
- **14 Nov:** Delivered an address to visiting 'European Diplomats' at the Foreign Services Institute' New Delhi.

### Dr Neha Sinha, Associate Fellow, VIF

- **29 Nov:** Presented a presentation on "Role, Identity and Contribution of Indian Diaspora in Mozambique", in a meeting with the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique Jose Antonio Pacheco at the Oberoi, New Delhi.

## Television Appearances:

### Dr Harinder Sekhon, Senior Fellow, VIF

- **3 Nov:** Discussion on Times Now with Maroof Raza for 'LATITUDE'.

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## MAJOR EVENTS

- **5-8 Nov:** Certificate Programme on 'Introduction to Indian Strategic Thinking'.
- **13-14 Nov:** BIMSTEC Think Tank Dialogue on Regional Security.
- **15 Nov:** Talk on 'From Insight to Impact: How Technology Integration might matter more than Innovation' & 'Global Economy today' with Dr. Roger Moser & Shri S Gurumurthy, Chairman, VIF.
- **15 Nov:** Vimarsha on 'State of the Economy: India and the World' by Shri S Gurumurthy, Chairman, VIF (Economic & Political Analyst).
- **22 Nov:** Interaction with delegation from 'Institute of Democracy Republic of Korea'.

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## VIF IN SOCIAL MEDIA

470K

Impressions on Twitter

15,218

Followers on Twitter



9,918

Followers on Facebook Page

1,42,612

Impressions on Facebook Page

92,848

Minutes watched on VIF YouTube Channel

12,728

Views on VIF YouTube Videos



### Top 3 Videos watched on VIF YouTube Channel

Video Title	Watch time (Minutes)	Views
Vimarsha on State of the Economy: India and the World by Shri S Gurumurthy, Chairman, VI	38,084	3020
Global Economy Today, as explained by S Gurumurthy, Chairman, VIF	13,691	1340
Understanding the Ancient Indian Texts : Puranas & the Bhagavad Gita' by Dr Bibek Debroy	2922	188

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## VIF WEBSITE ANALYSIS

### From Google Analytics

Sessions: 20,088





(A session is the period time a user is actively engaged with our website, app, etc.)

Users: 14,959

(Users who have initiated at least one session in November.)

Page Views: 46,806

(Page Views is the total number of pages viewed.)

Country	Sessions	
	<b>20,760</b> % of Total: 100.00% (20,760)	<b>66.55%</b> Avg for View: 66.45% (0.16%)
1.  India	<b>16,839</b> (81.11%)	64.54%
2.  United States	<b>1,273</b> (6.13%)	88.85%
3.  Pakistan	<b>244</b> (1.18%)	71.31%
4.  United Kingdom	<b>204</b> (0.98%)	66.18%
5.  China	<b>174</b> (0.84%)	75.29%
6.  Switzerland	<b>152</b> (0.73%)	12.50%
7.  Germany	<b>123</b> (0.59%)	78.86%
8.  Bangladesh	<b>102</b> (0.49%)	71.57%
9.  Canada	<b>102</b> (0.49%)	83.33%
10.  Singapore	<b>102</b> (0.49%)	69.61%

### From Server Analytics

Visits: 135,507

(A visit is one individual visitor who arrives at our web site and proceeds to browse.)

Unique Visits: 42,110

(First Time Visitor from different IP Address.)

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- **4 Dec:** Interaction with a delegation led by Mr. Lee Dong, Vice President of Institute of National Security Strategy, South Korea.
- **10 Dec:** A talk by Dr Shashi Bala on 'Silk Route: A Bridge between India and China'.
- **11 Dec:** RTD on 'Impact of Global Economy on Geopolitics: Implications for India'.
- **20-21 Dec:** VIF-RIS Dialogue on 'Afghanistan'.

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## VIF IN NEWS

### 15 Nov: Media Coverage on 'Vimarsha on State of the Economy India and the World by S Gurumurthy, Chairman, VIF'.

- (Times of India)Saffron ideologue slams RBI policies ahead of board meet
- (Bloomberg)Gurumurthy Backs Government In Seeking Easier Banking Rules
- (Times of India)How much reserves are enough for RBI?
- (Time of India)Indian banks could be recapitalised with government bonds: RBI board member
- (CNBC TV18) Liquidity problem could have been handled if power to print currency was in government's hand, says S Gurumurthy
- (Republic World) No Central Bank Has Such Reserves, Indian Economy Would Have Collapsed But For Demonetisation: S Gurumurthy, RBI Board Member And RSS Ideologue
- (Kashmir Life) J&K Bank issues clarification on penalty imposed by RBI
- (DNA India) India's economy would have collapsed had there not been demonetization: RBI board member S Gurumurthy
- (Business Standard) RBI-govt row not a happy situation, should stick to Basel norms: Gurumurthy
- (The Hindu) RBI-govt row not a happy situation, should stick to Basel norms: Gurumurthy
- (The Print) RBI's part-time director S. Gurumurthy says impasse with Modi govt 'not a happy thing'
- (DNA India) India's economy would have collapsed had there not been demonetization: RBI board member S Gurumurthy
- (Scroll) Standoff between central bank, government not a happy thing,' says RBI board member S Gurumurthy
- (Economic Times) Banks could be recapitalised with govt bonds: S Gurumurthy
- (NDTV) RBI Board Member Says Banks Could Be Recapitalised With Government Bonds
- (Financial Express) Tighter-than-global norms hit lending: S Gurumurthy, Independent Director, RBI Board
- (NDTV) Centre Not Seeking Top Bank's Reserves, Says S Gurumurthy Amid RBI Crisis
- (Indian Express) RBI board member favours easier rules for weaker banks: S Gurumurthy

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## About the VIVEKANANDA INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Vivekananda International Foundation is an independent non-partisan institution that conducts research and analysis on domestic and international issues, and offers a platform for dialogue and conflict resolution. Some of India's leading practitioners from the fields of security, military, diplomacy, government, academia and media have come together to generate ideas and stimulate action on national security issues.

The defining feature of VIF lies in its provision of core institutional support which enables the organisation to be flexible in its approach and proactive in changing circumstances, with a long-term focus on India's strategic, developmental and civilisational interests. The VIF aims to channelise fresh insights and decades of experience harnessed from its faculty into fostering actionable ideas for the nation's stakeholders.

Since its inception, VIF has pursued quality research and scholarship and made efforts to highlight issues in governance, and strengthen national security. This is being actualised through numerous activities like seminars, round tables, interactive dialogues, Vimarsh (public discourse), conferences and briefings. The publications of VIF form lasting deliverables of VIF's aspiration to impact on the prevailing discourse on issues concerning India's national interest.



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