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Monthly Report at a Glance

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PUBLICATIONS

COMMENTARIES

No	Pub. Date	Title	Author	Views on website*
1	4-Sept	In Defense of Nationalism	Dr. Arpita Mitra	583
2	5-Sept	Prospects for India–China Maritime Cooperation	Somen Banerjee	516
3	5-Sept	Lead, Kindly Light! - The Importance of Teachers in Our Lives	Dr. Arpita Mitra	296
4	6-Sept	BIMSTEC: Poised to make Progress?	Dr Sreeradha Datta	1116
5	7-Sept	Fighting Drug Abuse in India: Greater Focus on 'Demand' side is Required	Rajesh Singh	305
6	10-Sept	Bangladesh's quest for Sufi and Liberal Space	Dr Sreeradha Datta	493
7	11-Sept	Indus Commissioners Meeting at Lahore: Need for a New Approach to Indus Waters Treaty	Gautam Sen	543
8	11-Sept	Will China Boycott Goods from the United States of America?	Aayush Mohanty	459
9	12-Sept	Visit of the Chinese Defence Minister: A Missed Opportunity to Establish Hot Line between the Two Armies?	Col Shubhankar Basu	385
10	12-Sept	Developments in West Asia, August 2018	Amb Anil Trigunayat	420
11	12-Sept	The Tehran Summit	Amb D P Srivastava	448
12	14-Sept	Is BIMSTEC Finding due Attention?	Brig Vinod Anand	373
13	17-Sept	Modi's Cultural Diplomacy: Bearing Fruits in Nepal	Prof Hari Bansh Jha	514
14	18-Sept	Why Failure of Aramco's IPO launch is Good News for India?	Aayush Mohanty	411
15	19-Sept	Implications of Nepal's Withdrawal from BIMSTEC Military Exercise in India	Gautam Sen	769
16	20-Sept	World Suicide Prevention Day	Rajesh Singh	214
17	27-Sept	Korean Peninsula – Two Steps Forwards, One and a Half Steps Back	Amb Vishnu Prakash	291

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No	Pub. Date	Title	Author	Views on website*
1	4-Sept	China Accused of Practicing Racial Discrimination by United Nations Watchdog Body	Amb Bhaswati Mukherjee	256
2	6-Sept	Emerging Strategic Dynamics in Indo-Pacific and India-Vietnam Cooperation	Brig Vinod Anand	337
3	7-Sept	Pakistan: An Analysis of the Participation of Religious Parties in Elections, 2018	Tilak Devasher & Shruti Punia	312
4	10-Sept	BIMSTEC – The Rubik’s Cube	Amb Anil Trigunayat	557
5	14-Sept	Peace Mission 2018 - the Larger Perspective	Lt Gen (Dr) V K Saxena	468
6	19-Sept	COMCASA - The Bigger Picture	Lt Gen (Dr) V K Saxena	872
7	21- Sept	The United Nations 73rd General Assembly Session	Amb Asoke Mukerji	353
8	24-Sept	India’s Geopolitical Posturing and Conflict Termination	Brig (Dr) Ashok Pathak	268
9	24-Sept	Japanese Interests in Sri Lanka	Akash Sahu	161
10	28-Sept	Modernisation of the Armed Forces of China: Wake Up Call for India	Maj Gen (Retd.) P K Chakravorty	470

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BOOK REVIEWS

No	Pub. Date	Title	Author	Views on website
1	12-Sept	Cultural Heritage of Jammu and Kashmir, Edited by K. Warikoo, Pentagon Press, 2009, Pages: 338, Price: Rs. 1750, ISBN: 978-81-8274-376-2	Prateek Joshi	484

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BRIEFS | **PAPERS**

No	Pub. Date	Title	Author	Views on website
1	10-Sept	Either Side of Historical Conclusions: Evidences and Interpretations	Lt Gen Gautam Banerjee	147
2	17-Sept	US-China Trade War: Analyses of Deeper Nuances and Wider Implications	Maj Gen P K Mallick, VSM	255
3	26-Sept	Evolution of China-Sri Lanka Relations	Gunjan Singh	81
4	28-Sept	India-Africa: A Partnership for Growth	Report	86

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VIF NEWS DIGEST

No	Pub. Date	Title	Period	Views on website
1	9-Sept	VIF News Digest: International Developments	27 Aug-2 Sept 2018	340
2	17-Aug	VIF News Digest: International Developments	3-9 Sept 2018	456
3	20-Sept	VIF News Digest: International Developments	10-16 Sept 2018	772
4	26-Sept	VIF News Digest: National Security, Defence Studies and Terrorism	September 01 – 15, 2018	196

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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.

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SCHOLARS OUTREACH

Articles/OPEDS in Indian main stream Media/Journal:

- **3 Sept:** Aayush Mohanty, Research Associate, VIF – *The U.S.-India 2+2 Dialogue*, Published in Columbia Journal of International Affairs.
- **13 Sept:** Prateek Joshi, Research Associate, VIF – *The US-India 2+2 Dialogue: Implications and Challenges for the Indo-Pacific*, Published in Center for Strategic and International Studies.
- **21 Sept:** Prateek Joshi, Research Associate, VIF – *The Indo-Pacific is big enough for both China and India*, Published in East Asia Forum.
- **Sept:** Dr Arpita Mitra, Associate Fellow, VIF – *'The Dawn of Religious Pluralism? The Importance of the 1893 World's Parliament of Religions at Chicago'*, in Prabuddha Bharata, special issue 'Commemorating 125 years of Swami Vivekananda's Chicago Address', 123(9), September 2018, pp. 659-667.

Participation in Conferences:

Dr Arvind Gupta, Director - VIF

- **17 Sept:** Delivered a talk on 'Understanding India's Strategic Neighbourhood: Challenges and Opportunities' at National Defence College, New Delhi.

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

- **25 Sept:** Delivered a talk on 'Cyber Security in India Present Status' at Military Collage of Telecommunication Engineering (MCTE), Mhow.

MAJOR EVENTS

- **4 Sept:** Release of 'Sardar Patel, Unifier of Modern India' by Shri Ajit Doval, KC (National Security Advisor to the Prime Minister of India).
- **21 Sept:** Interaction with Myanmar Delegation.
- **21 Sept:** Vimarsha: Talk by Shri Swami Avdheshanand Giri ji Maharaj, Acharya Mahamandaleshwar of the Juna Akhara on 'Desh, Samaj aur Vyakti'.
- **27 Sept:** Interaction with a visiting delegation from International Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China.
- **27 Sept:** Interaction with the Visiting Delegation from Uzbekistan.
- **27 Sept:** Interaction Mr Angus Lapsley, Director for Defence, International Security and South East Europe at the British Foreign & Commonwealth Office.
- **27 Sept:** Interaction with 'Team Tarini' (First All Women Indian Team to Circumnavigate the Globe).

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VIF IN SOCIAL MEDIA

530K

Impressions on Twitter

13,155

Followers on Twitter



9,704

Followers on Facebook Page

1,06,550

Impressions on Facebook Page

56,984

Minutes watched on VIF YouTube Channel

9,482

Views on VIF YouTube Videos



Top 3 Videos watched on VIF YouTube Channel

Video Title	Watch time (Minutes)	Views
Release of 'Sardar Patel, Unifier of Modern India' by Shri Ajit Doval, KC	17,687	2,735
Keynote address delivered by Shri S Gurumurthy at the Asian Buddhist Media Conclave	6,891	1,147
Understanding the Ancient Indian Texts : Puranas & the Bhagavad Gita' by Dr Bibek Debroy	5056	321

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VIF WEBSITE ANALYSIS

From Google Analytics

Sessions: 19,244







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

Users: 13,215

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

Page Views: 46,813

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

Country	Sessions	
	19,244 % of Total: 100.00% (19,244)	62.48% Avg for View: 62.42% (0.09%)
1.  India	15,910 (82.68%)	60.97%
2.  United States	1,156 (6.01%)	84.43%
3.  Switzerland	185 (0.96%)	9.73%
4.  Pakistan	167 (0.87%)	62.28%
5.  China	136 (0.71%)	69.12%
6.  United Kingdom	123 (0.64%)	69.11%
7.  Singapore	111 (0.58%)	58.56%
8.  United Arab Emirates	110 (0.57%)	55.45%
9.  Nepal	105 (0.55%)	74.29%
10.  Australia	93 (0.48%)	69.89%

From Server Analytics

Visits: 124,371

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

Unique Visits: 41,402

(First Time Visitor from different IP Address.)

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5 Sept: Media Coverage of the Release of Shri RNP Singh's Book on Sardar Patel

- (The Hindu) Sardar Patel ensured indivisible sovereignty: Doval
- (The Times of India) Having a separate constitution for J&K was an aberration: Ajit Doval
- (Deccan Chronicle) Separate constitution for J&K an 'aberration', says NSA Ajit Doval
- (The Financial Express) Having a separate constitution for Jammu and Kashmir was an aberration: Doval
- (The Tribune) NSA: Separate J&K Constitution was aberration
- (Hindustan Times) Having a separate constitution for Jammu-Kashmir was an aberration, says NSA Ajit Doval
- (India Today) Ajit Doval calls Jammu and Kashmir constitution an aberration
- (Greater Kashmir) Kashmiris need no lesson from NSA: PDP on Ajit Doval's 'aberration' remark
- (Rising Kashmir) Having a separate constitution for JK was an aberration: Doval
- (The Economic Times) Having a separate constitution for Jammu and Kashmir was an aberration: Doval
- (The Indian Express) Having a separate constitution for Jammu and Kashmir was an aberration: Ajit Doval
- (Asian Age) Separate constitution for J&K an 'aberration', says Ajit Doval
- (Scroll.in) Ajit Doval says separate J&K Constitution is an aberration
- (Jansatta) जम्मू-कश्मीर पर NSA अजीत डोभाल बोले- प्रदेश के संविधान से कमजोर हो रहा देश
- (Navbharat Times)जम्मू-कश्मीर के लिए अलग संविधान एक गलती थी: अजीत डोभाल
- (Dainik Bhaskar) जम्मू-कश्मीर का अलग संविधान लागू करना गलती थी, देश की संप्रभुता से समझौता नहीं हो सकता: डोभाल
- (Jagran) NSA अजित डोभाल ने कहा, जम्मू-कश्मीर के लिए अलग संविधान एक गलती थी
- (Amar Ujala) 'असामान्य' था जम्मू-कश्मीर के लिए अलग संविधान: डोभाल
- (News 18) NSA Ajit Doval Says Having a Separate Constitution for J&K was an 'Aberration'
- (Zee News) PDP attacks Doval over remark on separate constitution for J&K, says it's unwarranted
- (NDTV) Controversy Over Ajit Doval's Jammu and Kashmir Constitution Remark
- (NewsX) Ajit Doval calls Jammu and Kashmir's separate constitution an aberration, says quote taken out of context
- (Republic TV) NSA Ajit Doval makes big statement on sovereignty; says separate constitution for J&K an 'aberration'
- (Times Now) Big 'One India' declaration: Ajit Doval backs Kashmir for all, says separate J&K Constitution an 'aberration'

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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