



Vivekananda International Foundation

Monthly Report

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February - 2018

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PUBLICATIONS

COMMENTARIES

No	Pub. Date	Title	Author	Views on website*
1	5-Feb	Japan's Challenges and Indo-Japanese Connection - Perspectives for 2018	Aftab Seth	886
2	5-Feb	What does the Economic Survey tell us about National Security?	Arvind Gupta	1079
3	7-Feb	Maldives in Turmoil- Political Conflict Intensifies	C D Sahay, Akash Sahu	967
4	7-Feb	Exhibition - India at 70 and the Jammu & Kashmir Saga	Ramanand Garge	808
5	19-Feb	India Joins Ashgabat Agreement	Dr Rashmini Koparkar	894
6	20-Feb	Analysing the Pashtun Long March	Prateek Joshi	589
7	20-Feb	Why Economic Survey of India 2018 is Path-breaking	Rajesh Singh	680
8	21-Feb	India, Hopeful to Expand its Influence in the Indo-Pacific, Signs Pact with Seychelles	Neha Sinha	917
9	21-Feb	President Rouhani's Visit to India	Amb D P Srivastava	561
10	22-Feb	Jordan Matters – India and the Hashemite Kingdom	Amb Anil Trigunayat	574
11	22-Feb	Suspension of United States Aid to Pakistan	Maj Gen (Retd.) P K Chakravorty	505
12	23-Feb	Taiwan in the Evolving Geopolitics of the Indo-Pacific	Dr Teshu Singh	650
13	26-Feb	China's Growing Naval Footprint in Pakistan	Dr Teshu Singh	555
14	27-Feb	Some Niche Areas in Unmanned Operations and Technologies and Equipment in Support	Lt Gen (Dr) V K Saxena (Retd)	464

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PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES

No	Pub. Date	Title	Author	Views on website*
1	16-Feb	A Study on Skills and Employment Strategy for India's Poor Districts	Partha Mitra	463
2	23-Feb	Stone Pelting: Is it an Expression of Anger or a Strategy?	Brig Narender Kumar	632
3	23-Feb	Maldives-The Crisis Continues-Need for Early De-escalation	C D Sahay, Akash Sahu	920
4	26-Feb	J&K Security Review-2017: State of Conflict Continues	C D Sahay, Gazi Hassan	500

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No	Pub. Date	Title	Author	Views on website
1	13-Feb	Threat of Military Conflict on Korean Peninsula	Prerna Gandhi	160

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PUBLICATIONS

VIF NEWS DIGEST

No	Pub. Date	Title	Period	Views on website
1	6-Feb	VIF Fortnightly Digest: Defence, National Security & Terrorism (Vol 2 Issue I)	16 Jan – 31 Jan, 2018	273
2	13-Feb	VIF News Digest: USA, Europe, Eurasia, Russia & CARs (Vol 2 Issue I)	1 Jan -31 Jan, 2018	580
3	22-Feb	VIF News Digest: Far East including Japan, the Koreas, Indo-Pacific, Australia, Taiwan and ASEAN (Vol 2 Issue II)	15 Jan – 15 Feb, 2018	284
4	23-Feb	VIF News Digest: Africa, Gulf & Middle East (Vol 2 Issue II)	15 Jan – 15 Feb, 2018	489

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SCHOLARS OUTREACH

Articles/OPEDS in Indian main stream Media/Journal:

- **Dr Harinder Sekhon, Senior Fellow, VIF** – *India needs to play its cards right with China and the US*, Published in DNA on 13th Feb.
- **Amb Anil Wadhwa, Senior Fellow, VIF** – *Look West policy: Modi's three-nation West Asia tour was significant, historic*, Published in Hindustan Times on 13th Feb.
- **Arvind Gupta, Director, VIF** – *India should take up challenge of Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems*, Published in The Economics Times on 15th Feb.
- **Gunjan Singh, Associate Fellow, VIF** – Book Review of *Thomas Fingar (ed). Uneasy Partnerships: China's Engagement with Japan, The Koreas and Russia in the Era of Reform*, Published in Asian Affairs, Volume 49, 2018 - Issue 1, on 15th Feb.
- **Amb D P Srivastava, Senior Fellow & Cluster Leader, VIF** – *Rouhani's visit reflects the many dimensions to India-Iran ties*, Published in Hindustan Times on 21st Feb.
- **Dr Harinder Sekhon, Senior Fellow, VIF** – *The Trudeau visit can help energise India-Canada Relations*, Published in DNA on 21st Feb.
- **Brig Vinod Anand, Senior Fellow, VIF** - *Why India needs to strengthen its nuclear deterrent*, Published in The Economics Times on 22nd Feb.
- **Arvind Gupta, Director, VIF** – *Hassan Rouhani's visit underlines connectivity is central to India-Iran's future ties*, Published in The Economics Times on 23rd Feb.

Participation in Conferences:

Dr Arvind Gupta, Director - VIF

- **14 Feb:** Delivered a Keynote address at a Seminar on **Protecting National Security in the midst of Global Challenges: Legal Dimensions**, at Gujarat National Law University (GNLU) Gandhi Nagar, Gujarat.

- **21 Feb:** Attended the inaugural address at DRDO Bhawan, New Delhi on India's North East Region with special emphasis on India's Act East Policy, Border Management with Myanmar, Bangladesh & Security of Siliguri Corridor.
- **22 Feb:** Chaired a Session at a Seminar on **National Security and Defence**, organised by Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation, New Delhi.
- **23 Feb:** Attended an inaugural book reading session at National Archives of India, New Delhi.
- **27 Feb:** Delivered a Keynote address as a Chief Guest at a Seminar on **Pakistan Challenge to India** at Punjab University, Chandigarh.

Dr Arpita Mitra, Associate Fellow, VIF

- **19-21 Feb:** Presented a paper titled **Debates on Sri Ramakrishna's Vedanta'** at National Seminar on Sri Sri Ramakrishna Kathamrita organised by the Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR) at India International Centre (IIC), New Delhi.

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MAJOR EVENTS AT VIF

- **7 Feb:** Interaction with **Dr. Kalyan K De** on **Netaji's contribution in the Indian Freedom Movement**.
- **12 Feb:** Round Table Discussion on **Role of CRPF in Counter Insurgency Operations**.
- **12 Feb:** Discussion on **India's Budget 2018-19**.
- **15 Feb:** Vimarsha on **Ensuring Food Security for India** by **S. K. Pattanayak**, Secretary, Government of India (Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare).
- **28 Feb:** Discussion on the **VIF History of Ancient India Series**.

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VIF IN SOCIAL MEDIA

695K

Impressions on Twitter

11,369

Followers on Twitter



9,160

Like on Facebook Page

30,613

People Reached on Facebook Post

24,249

Minutes watched on VIF YouTube Channel

3,774

Views on VIF YouTube Videos



Top 3 Videos watched on VIF YouTube Channel

Video Title	Watch time (Minutes)	Views
Release cum discussion on Black Money and Tax Havens authored by Prof R Vaidyanathan	5, 418	361
Samvad I- Global Hindu Buddhist Initiative on Conflict Avoidance and Environment Consciousness Speech by Dr. Sudha Murty	1,987	381
Vimarsha on Making Healthcare Affordable with Dr. Devi Shetty MS, FRCS (England)	1,645	150

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VIF WEBSITE ANALYSIS

From Google Analytics

Sessions: 22,849











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

Users: 17,421

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

Page Views: 49,873

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

Country	Sessions	
	22,849 % of Total: 100.00% (22,849)	70.72% Avg for View: 70.66% (0.07%)
1.  India	19,381 (84.82%)	69.64%
2.  United States	993 (4.35%)	77.84%
3.  United Kingdom	227 (0.99%)	74.01%
4.  Pakistan	187 (0.82%)	78.07%
5.  Singapore	182 (0.80%)	59.89%
6.  China	149 (0.65%)	65.77%
7.  Canada	114 (0.50%)	79.82%
8.  Australia	113 (0.49%)	77.88%
9.  Nepal	97 (0.42%)	64.95%
10.  United Arab Emirates	84 (0.37%)	83.33%

From Server Analytics

Visits: 112,617

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

Unique Visits: 38,160

(First Time Visitor from different IP Address.)

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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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