

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 2012

COUNCIL MEETING
21 DEC 2012



UNITED SERVICE INSTITUTION OF INDIA

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1. Gentlemen, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the third meeting of the present Council. It is my privilege to present the report of the Institution for 2012. A copy of the report has been placed on the table and will be included in the minutes of the meeting. Later it will be put up on the web site.

Finances

2. Audited accounts for 2011-12, Revised Estimates for 2012-13, and Budget Estimates for 2013-14 are already with you.

3. Finances continue to be healthy. However, the research centres are not able to meet their expenditure from their yearly income and are allocated money from the Corpus Fund annually. The case for allotment of Rs.10 crore corpus grant by MOD was recommended by the COSC on 24 Nov 2010 but is pending with the MOD.

Membership

4. The membership continues to grow at a steady rate. As on 30 Nov 2012 the membership state was as under:-

	<u>Total</u>
(a) Life Members	10,503
(b) Ordinary Members	4,573
(c) Associate Members	86
	15,162

USI Journal

5. Number of printed copies has been increased from 13,750 to 14,250 from quarter ending Mar 2012. 576 copies are currently being subscribed. 70 Units have taken 20 year subscription.

USI Digest

6. 2000 copies continue to be printed. Services are taking 1800 copies on special rates (Army - 1,300, Navy - 200, Air Force - 300). Some units are subscribing directly also.

Library

7. During the period 01 Nov 2011 – 31 Oct 2012, 267 books were purchased, 33 received for review, and 246 received complimentary; the last includes 134 books of Lt Gen VR Raghavan.

Seminars

8. **Thirty Third National Security Seminar.** It was conducted on 01 – 02 Nov 2012 on “Trade, Commerce and Security Challenges in the Asia-Pacific Region”. Amongst others, it was attended by 17 foreign participants from nine countries. MEA also supported the seminar.

Lectures and Discussions

9. **Tenth Maj Gen Samir Sinha Memorial Lecture.** This was delivered by Shir MJ Akbar on 21 Feb 2012 on “Indian Armed Forces and the Changing Strategic Environment”. The text has been published in the USI Journal for Apr – Jun 2012.

10. **Sixteenth Col Pyara Lal Memorial Lecture.** This was delivered by Shri MV Kotwal on 05 Sep 2012 on “Indegenisation of Defence Industry – Current Status and Future Prospects”. The text has been published in the USI Journal for Jul – Sep 2012.

11. **Twenty Eighth National Security Lecture.** This was delivered on 05 Dec 2012 by Admiral Arun Prakash, PVSM, AVSM, VrC, VSM (Retd) on “National Security Reforms : Ten Years After Kargil Committee Report”. The text is being published in the USI Journal for Oct – Dec 2012.

12. **Other Lectures and Discussions.** List of these is at Appendix 'A' attached.

National Security Paper

13. The Twenty Eighth National Security Paper on “Restructuring and Integration of MOD with the three Service Headquarters” has been written by Lt Gen Satish Nambiar, PVSM, AVSM, VrC (Retd).

Activities at Other Stations

14. **Panel Discussion on Naxalism.** Jointly with Amity University, NOIDA on 26 Jul 2012.

15. **11 Corps Seminar on Shaping Future Military Leaders.** Lt Gen PK Singh presented a paper on Interpersonal Skills and Conflict Management at Kasauli during the seminar held on 27-30 Sep 2012.

16. **Lecture at Army War College.** Maj Gen BK Sharma delivered a lecture on Central Asia to Higher Command Course at Army War College on 30 Nov 2012.

Interaction With Foreign Institutions

17. **International Forum for the Challenges of Peace Operations.** During the year, Challenges Forum Workshop and Partners Meeting were attended by Lt Gen VK Jetley, Lt Gen RK Mehta and Lt Gen PK Singh.

18. **Institute of Defense International Relations and Institute for Defence Strategy, Vietnam.** A three member delegation comprising Sr Col (Ms) DO Mai Khanh (IDIR), Maj Ngo Thanh Tung (IDIR) and Sr Col Le Kim Dung (IDS) interacted with USI participants on subjects of mutual interest on 31 Oct 2012 at USI.

19. **Military Strategic Studies Center, Kazakhstan.** At the invitation of MSSC, a three member USI delegation comprising Air Mshl VK Bhatia, Maj Gen YK Gera and Maj Gen BK Sharma visited Almaty and Astana from 05 to 10 Nov 2012. Besides MSSC, the delegation also interacted with National Defence University, Kazak Agro Technical University, Kazak National Technical University, Kazak National Pedagogical University and Eurasian National University.

20. **Interaction at Kabul.** In preparation for the Feb 2013 seminar on Afghanistan, Lt Gen Vinay Shankar, Lt Gen PC Katoch, Shri Swashpawan Singh and Shri CK Sinha visited Kabul and interacted with prominent persons and organisations from 26 to 29 Nov 2012

21. **China Institute for International Strategic Studies.** A five member CISS delegation comprising Maj Gen Huang Baifu, Mr Zhu Guorong, Maj Gen Miao Pengsheng, Mr Yu Hanmin and Mr Zhu Jie was hosted by USI from 18 to 20 Dec 2012.

22. **Other Bilateral Interactions.** Institutional dialogue was held with the following on the sidelines of the Annual National Security Seminar in November 2012 :

- (a) Cross Straits Prospect Foundation, Taipei.
- (b) Sejong Institute, South Korea.
- (c) Institute of Defence Security, Malaysia.
- (d) Center for Defence Information, Russia.

Participation in International Conferences.

23. **International Working Group Conference.** Lt Gen PK Singh, Director USI, attended the conference at Boston from 09 to 12 Mar 2012.

24. **Sixth Middle East Special Operations Commanders Conference (MESOC).** Lt Gen PC Katoch, attended the conference at Amman on 07 May 2012.

25. **International Symposium on "Cyber Security: China and the World".** Lt Gen Davinder Kumar, attended the symposium on 28-29 May 2012 at Beijing at the invitation of CISS and presented a paper.

26. **International Workshop on Scenarios for Peacekeeping Operations, International Workshop and Partners Meeting on Civilian Capacity Building, and Interaction with UNDPKO.** Lt Gen PK Singh, Director USI, attended the above programme at New York from 11 to 15 Jun 2012.

27. **PLA Studies Programme, Taiwan.** Brig AS Cheema and Cdr Sandeep Dewan attended the above programme at NDU, Taipei from 10 to 21 Sep 2012.

28. **9th Annual World Wide Security Conference at Brussels.** Lt Gen PK Singh, Director USI, attended the conference from 11 to 14 Nov 2012 and Chaired one of the sessions. The conference was organised by East-West Institute of New York in cooperation with USI, Centre for Conflict and Peace Studies, Afghanistan and Institute of Strategic Studies, Islamabad.

29. **Conference on Prospects for a Zone Free from WMD in the Middle East.** The conference was organised by the Arab Institute for Security Studies (ACSIS) at Amman from 13 to 15 Nov 2012. Lt Gen Vijay Oberoi presented a paper on "Key to a WMD Free Middle East-Realism, Not Rhetoric".

30. **Fourth International Forum of China Association of Military Science (CAMS): 15-18 Nov 2012.** Maj Gen BK Sharma presented a paper on "Asia-Pacific Security: Situation in Retrospect and Prospect".

31. **Civilian Capacity (CIVCAP) Networking Meeting.** The CIVCAP Network is a research partnership that brings together national institutes with expertise in peacebuilding research and aims to work cooperatively alongside governments, the UN and other partners to realise common interests on the CIVCAP agenda. The eight founding CIVCAP Network Partners (mentioned below) met in Brasilia, Brazil on 28-29 Nov 2012 :

- (a) African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes, South Africa.
- (b) Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Indonesia.
- (c) Igarape Institute, Brazil.
- (d) Institute of Contemporary International Studies, Russia.
- (e) International Institute for Strategic Studies, China.
- (f) Istanbul Policy Centre, Sabanci University, Turkey.
- (g) Norwegian Institute for International Affairs, Norway.
- (h) United Service Institution of India, India.

32. **Asia-China Forum, South Korea.** Lt Gen PC Katoch and Maj Gen YK Gera attended the forum on 11-12 Dec 2012 at the invitation of Asan Institute for Policy Studies on the theme of "China in Transition".

USI CENTRE FOR STRATEGIC STUDIES & SIMULATION (USI-CS3)

33. **Publication.** During the year following books were published :

(a) Coastal Security : Maritime Dimensions of Homeland Security.
Prof KR Singh.

(b) Peace and Stability in Asia Pacific : Assessment of Security Architecture.
Ed – Maj Gen PJS Sandhu

(c) The Invisible Wall of China
Maj (Dr) Mohit Nayal

(d) Echos from Beyond the Banihal – Kashmir Human Rights and Armed Forces.
Ms Sujata Kanungo.

(e) Maoist Insurgency and India's Internal Security Architecture.
Shri EN Rammohan, Brig AP Singh, Gp Capt AK Agarwal.

(f) Possibility of Nuclear War in Asia – An Indian Perspective.
Col GG Pamidi

(g) China's Maritime Ambitions and the PLA Navy.
Cdr Sandeep Dewan

34. **On Going Research.** Presently the following research is under way :-

(a) The Dynamics of Preventive Diplomacy – A Case Study.
Shri RS Kalha

(b) Integrated Maritime Security.
Dr P Paleri

(c) Central Asia.
Maj Gen BK Sharma

(d) China.
Brig AS Cheema

(e) China's Navy.
Cdr Sandeep Dewan

(f) PLA Modernization and Likely Force Structure by 2035.
Col NSP Bisht

(g) Analysis of Logistics Support Chain Management of Indian Army and PLA.
Col Rajiv Chauhan

(h) Application of Air Power in Combating Maoist Insurgency.
Gp Capt AK Agarwal

(j) Military Applications of Space.
Gp Capt RK Singh

(k) India's Energy Security.
Lt Col Vivek Dhall

(l) Territorial Army Future Challenges.
Lt Col Harish Katoch

(m) Complexities and Challenges of Nuclear India.
Dr Roshan Khaniejo

35. **Sponsored Projects.**

(a) **Modelling of Comprehensive National and Military Power.** ARTRAC. Completed.

(b) **Exploring of National Space Assets as Force Multipliers for Land Operations.** ARTRAC. Completed.

(c) **Net Assessment Study on Strategic Balance in South Asia.** HQIDS. Work started on 01 Nov 2012.

(d) **Net Assessment Study on War Waging Potential of China : 2025.** HQ IDS. Work started on 01 Nov 2012.

36. **Strategy Workshop for Foreign Service Institute, MEA.** The fourth workshop was conducted at USI from 09 to 13 Apr 2012. 35 officers attended.

37. **Net Assessment Course.** A foundation course on Net Assessment was conducted for eight Naval Officers from 18 to 22 Jun 2012. One Col from PP Directorate also attended.

38. **Net Assessment Capsule.** A capsule was conducted on 01 Dec 2012 for Higher Command Course at Army War College at Mhow by Maj Gen YK Gera and Maj Gen BK Sharma.

39. **Strategic Gaming Exercise, NDC.** A team comprising senior officers conducted the exercise for over 100 officers of NDC-52 from 03 to 05 Oct 2012.

40. **Royalty.** This year Rs.1,23,369. So far Rs.9,24,216 for 20,021 books.

USI CENTRE FOR ARMED FORCES HISTORICAL RESEARCH(USI-CAFHR)

Publications

41. Following books were published during the year :-

(a) Remembering the Japanese War in Manipur.
Ms Arfina Haokip

(b) Recollections of the Se La – Bomdila Debacle 1962.
Maj Gen Jaidev Singh Datta

42. Two projects have been completed but awaiting clearance for publications.

Ongoing Research

- 43.(a)History of Helicopters in the IAF.
 (b)History of Wapits in the IAF.
 (c)History of Spitfires in IAF.
 (d)Customs and Traditions of the Indian Armed Forces.

Sponsored Projects

- 44.Coffee Table Book on Indian War Memorials. MEA. Commenced.
 45.World War I Commemorative Activity. MEA. Awaiting Clearance.

Royalty

46. This year Rs.15,829/-. Total so far Rs.2,72,713/- for 4198 books.

General Palit Military Studies Trust

47. (a) History of Indian State Forces. Published.
 (b) Examining Kerala's Unique Military Legacy. Under publication.
 (c)A Historical Analysis of Sixty Years of Military Operations in J&K. Completed.

USI CENTRE FOR UN PEACEKEEPING (USI-CUNPK)

48. Courses. Following courses were conducted during the year :-

(a)	<u>NUNC-26.</u>	9-13 Jan 12.	47 officers attended
(b)	<u>UNSLOC-10.</u>	21 Feb – 09 Mar 12.	21 foreign and 21 Indian officers attended.
(c)	<u>NUNC-27.</u>	19 - 23 Feb 12.	51 officers attended.
(d)	<u>Assam Rif-2.</u>	16 - 20 Apr 12.	41 officers attended.
(e)	<u>UNMOC-12.</u>	07 - 25 May 12.	17 foreign and 33 Indian officers attended.
(f)	<u>NUNC-28.</u>	11 - 15 Jun 12.	63 officers attended.
(g)	<u>NUNC-29.</u>	23 - 27 Jul 12.	65 officers attended.
(h)	<u>NUNC-30.</u>	13 - 17 Aug 12.	55 officers attended.
(j)	<u>NUNC-31.</u>	10 - 14 Sep 12.	45 officers attended.
(k)	<u>UNMCOC-12.</u>	08 - 26 Oct 12.	21 foreign and 25 Indians officers attended.
(l)	<u>NUNC-32.</u>	05 - 09 Nov 12.	18 officers attended.
(m)	<u>NUNC-33.</u>	10 - 14 Dec 12.	17 officers attended.

- 49.Army Contingents Training. Short training was given to one Bde HQ, eight units and six sub units.

50. **International Association of Peacekeeping Training Centres (IAPTC).**

(a) Maj Gen TPS Waraich and Col MK Bindal attended the 18th Executive Committee Meeting of IAPTC on Mar 2012 at CMC, Finland.

(b) Maj Gen TPS Waraich and Col S Murugesan attended the 18th Annual Conference of IAPTC in Sep 2012 at CMC, Finland.

51. **Army to Army Staff Talks on Peacekeeping.** CUNPK took part in the talks held at USI with UK Delegation on 06 Feb 2012 and Bangladesh Delegation on 19 Sep 2012.

52. **Foreign Visitors.** Details are included in Appendix.

CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

53. Results of various examinations were as under :-

(a)	<u>Part B Examination Jul 2012.</u>			
(i)	No of Students enrolled	-	1256	(LM – 311, OM New - 646, OM Old - 299)
(ii)	No Appeared in Exam	-	1203	
(iii)	Percentage Passed :-			
	(aa) All Subjects	-	8.23	
	(ab) Part	-	42.22	
(b)	<u>Part D Examination Oct 2012.</u>			
	No of Students enrolled	-	1248	(LM - 305, OM New – 288, OM Old – 655)
	(Result awaited)			
(c)	<u>DSSC Army Sep 2012 Exam.</u>			
(i)	No of Students	-	1077	(LM - 216, OM New -395, OM Old - 466)
	(Result awaited)			
(ii)	No appeared in exam	-		
(iii)	Nominated	-	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
			184	205
			(91%)	(96%)
				196
				(96%)
(iv)	Competitive Vacancies(40)	-	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
			36	39
			(90%)	(98%)
				38
				(95%)
(v)	Reserve		20/25	20/25
			(80%)	(80%)
				25/27
				(93%)

54. **Contact Programme DSSC (Army).** Four contact programmes were conducted this year (02-07 Jul, 09-14 Jul, 16-20 Jul and 30 Jul-04 Aug 2012). 194 officers attended.

GOLD MEDAL ESSAY COMPETITION 2012

55. 47 entries were received for Group A, subject being "Military Diplomacy and Its Employment to Enhance Global Cooperation against Sub-conventional Conflicts". 55 entries were received for Group 'B', subject being "Geo-strategic Importance of India's Island Territories and Implications for National Security".

MISCELLANEOUS

Glacier Study

56. This year Col KS Dhami carried out the study of Baspa Glacier (Sangla Valley) during 08 – 17 Jul and fixed the snout. He was assisted by Dogra Scouts. He also carried out the study of Bara Shigri Glacier (Lahaul Valley) from 03 to 07 Oct. Reports have been published in USI Journals of Jul – Sep 2012 and Sep – Dec 2012 respectively.

UNITAR Peacekeeping Courses

57. Following courses were conducted :-

(a) Protection of Civilians in Peace Operations. 18-22 Jun 12.
12 foreign and 9 Indian persons attended the course.

(b) Leadership, Teamwork and Team Management. 25-29 Jun 12.
12 foreign and 16 Indian persons attended the course.

TALKS / DISCUSSIONS - 2012Talks

1. 14 Feb 2012 Military Applications of Space
Wg Cdr RK Singh
(USI – CS3 event)
2. 22 Feb 2012 India's Energy Security
Lt Col Vivek Dhall
(USI – CS3 event)
3. 29 Feb 2012 Understanding Cyber Warfare and Implications for Indian Armed Forces
Col RK Tyagi
(USI – CS3 event)
4. 07 Mar 2012 Insurgencies and Air Power – Lessons from the Past
Gp Capt AK Agarwal
(USI – CS3 event)
5. 19 Mar 2012 Special Forces of India
Lt Gen PC Katoch, UYSM,AVSM,SC,VSM (Retd)
(USI – CS3 event)
6. 28 Mar 2012 Enhancing Efficiency in the Organisation by TA-Isation
Lt Col Harish Katoch
(USI – CS3 event)
7. 04 May 2012 Chinese Psyche
Shri Ravi Bhootalingam
(USI – CS3 event)
8. 11 May 2012 Kautilya's Arthashastra
Mr Michael Liebig
(USI – CAFHR event)
9. 06 Jun 2012 Cyber Security Challenges
Lt Gen Davinder Kumar, PVSM,VSM* (Retd)
(USI – CS3 event)
10. 11 Jul 2012 Military Applications of Space
Wg Cdr RK Singh
(USI – CS3 event)
11. 08 Aug 2012 Special Forces of India
Lt Gen PC Katoch, UYSM,AVSM,SC,VSM (Retd)
(USI – CS3 event)
12. 22 Aug 2012 Applications of Air Power in Combating Maoist Insurgency
Gp Capt AK Agarwal
(USI – CS3 event)
13. 19 Sep 2012 India's Energy Security
Lt Col Vivek Dhall
(USI – CS3 event)

14. 26 Sep 2012 Territorial Army: Future Challenges
Lt Col Harish Katoch
(USI – CS3 event)
15. 17 Oct 2012 Complexities and Challenges of Nuclear India
Dr Roshan Khaniejo
(USI – CS3 event)

Round Table / Panel Discussions

16. 30 May 2012 Indo-Pak Relations.
17. 24 Jul 2012 Indo-Pak Relation: Comprehensive Talks – A Road Map
Shri Lalit Mansingh, Shri Rajiv Sikri, Shri B Raman, Shri BG Verghese, Lt Gen
VR Raghavan, Vice Adm Pradeep Kaushiva

Interaction with Foreign Institutions/Individual

18. 06 Jan 2012 Mr Robert Templar
International Crisis Group, USA
19. 16 Jan 2012 Prof Wu Yongnian
SIIS, China
20. 18 Jan 2012 Col EV Khurshev
Russia
21. 06 Feb 2012 Mr Ribal Al Afsad
Organisation for Democracy and Freedom in Syria
UK
22. 13 Feb 2012 Lt Col Michael C Pettigrew
US Embassy
(USI – CUNPK event)
23. 28 Feb 2012 Mr Tomohiko Taniguchi
Japan
24. 06 Mar 2012 Lt Gen Arto Raty
Permanent Secretary Defence, Finland
25. 14 Mar 2012 Mr Alex Neil
RUSI
26. 19 Mar 2012 Mr Ilyas Irfani, Director Asia Division, Canada
Mr Christopher Martin, Canadian Privy Council Office
27. 19 Mar 2012 Mr Ashley Tellis
Carnegie Endowment, USA
28. 20 Mar 2012 Mr Wenchy Ong
Representative, Taipei Economic Center
29. 09 Apr 2012 Mr John Edwin Mroz
President East West Institute, New York

30. 10 Apr 2012 Maj Gen Cai Ping
Chinese DA
31. 01 May 2012 RUSI Delegation
AVM Greg Bagwell, COS Joint Warfare
Lt Gen (Retd) Paul R Newton and five others
32. 01 May 2012 Col Charles Warner
UK High Commission
33. 03 May 2012 Dr Sinha Raja Tamita – Delgoda
34. 16 May 2012 Dr Chengkuw Ma
NDU, Taiwan
35. 25 May 2012 Mr Scott Tanner
CNA China Studies, Beijing
36. 01 Jun 2012 Civilian Capacity Building
Mr Cedric de Coning, NUPI
37. 05 Jun 2012 Dr Christine Fair
George Town University, USA
38. 05 Jun 2012 Political Academy, Vietnam
Lt Gen Nguyen Tien Ouoc, Comdt, and four others
39. 03 Aug 2012 Mr Jeff Smith
American Foreign Policy Council
40. 21 Aug 2012 Ms Oriana Mastro
Center for New American Security
41. 31 Aug 2012 Japanese Defence Delegation
Mr Yasuhisa Ishizuka, and three others from Defence Ministry
42. 11 Sep 2012 Saudi Arabian International Defence Cooperation Delegation
Maj Gen Suleiman Sabh Al-Khalifa, and eight others
43. 13 Sep 2012 Dr Alex Neill and Dr Walter Ladwig
RUSI, UK
44. 21 Sep 2012 Mr Mathieu Plailly
French MOD
45. 24 Sep 2012 Dr Joshua T White
USA
46. 27-28 Sep 2012 Prof John Braithwaite
Australia
(Comparative UN Peacekeeping)
47. 28 Sep 2012 German Capstone Course
Brig Gen Karl H Schreiner and 16 others
48. 16 Oct 2012 Sri Lanka Defence Services Command and Staff College
32 officers led by Brig
49. 16 Oct 2012 Japanese Joint Staff College
33 officers led by Lt Gen Ishino Tsugio, Commandant
50. 18 Oct 2012 Mr Michal On-devco
Vrije University, Amsterdius
(Developments in Iran)

51. 30 Oct 2012 Mr Dong Roser
RUSI of New South Wales
52. 30 Oct 2012 Dr Michael Krepen
Hewry Stimson Center, USA
(Deterrence Stability)
53. 08 Nov 2012 Indonesian Army Delegation
Maj Gen Mulyona Plus 8
(USI – CUNPK event)
54. 09 Nov 2012 Mr John Frisell
Ms Sofie Hillfom
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sweden
55. 09 Nov 2012 Ms Sarah Cliffe
Special Advisor and Asst Secretary General UN (Civ Capacity)
56. 19 Nov 2012 North East South Asia Center for Strategic Studies (NESA)
Mr James Lorocco and three others.
57. 21 Nov 2012 Ms Anita Mathur
Senior Political Affairs Officer
Security Council Affairs Division, UN
58. 06 Dec 2012 Lt Gen Norbu Yamaguchi and three officers
National Defence Academy, Japan
59. 17 Dec 2012 Kazakhstan Military Training Institutes Delegation
Maj Gen Y Lorazov
(USI – CUNPK event)