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National Seminar (Multidisciplinary) on Theme  
**Rising India and the Changing World Order**  
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**Concept Note:**

International Relations and Foreign Policy are critical fields that shape global interactions and order. The study of these disciplines involves analyzing how countries cooperate, compete, and manage conflicts. From the Treaty of Westphalia in 1648, which laid the groundwork for modern state sovereignty, to the cold war's impact on global politics, understanding historical contexts is essential. Today's global landscape is defined by globalization, the rise of new powers like China and India, and pressing transnational issues such as climate change and cyber security. Looking ahead, technological advancements and evolving global governance structures will continue to influence international relations. The trajectory of Indian Foreign Policy in the post-cold war years has witnessed an unprecedented transformation as a result of bizarre changes both in the domestic and international milieu. At domestic level, through the process of structural reforms India has become the fifth largest economy in the world and striving to become a \$5 billion economy so as to reach the status of the third largest economy. Besides, it is actively outreaching the world through its soft power attributes in the form of cultural diplomacy, diaspora, films, religious values, creed of non-violence etc. It is also strengthening its ties in South Asia through its policy of neighbourhood first.

At international level, it is making efforts in the evolution of multipolar world order by over coming the deficiencies of present day non-polar and uncertain world order. In this context, it is no more a passive player, but working aggressively to bring this change. At bilateral level, it is engaging itself with all contemporary power centres. Besides, it is part of all major multilateral arrangements like G-7, G-20, BRICS, SCO, QUAD, BIMSTEC, ASEAN, IORA etc. Simultaneously, it is strengthening its hard power capabilities through procurement and development of cutting edge defence technologies in the field of nuclear, space, missile, aircraft carrier, submarine, drones etc. with the signing of four defence agreements with USA GSOMIA (2002), LEMOA (2016), CISMOA (2018) and BECA (2020). Similarly, it has signed different defence deals with Russia and France as well. Consequently, India no more wishes to play the role of spectator in the game of power politics at global level, rather it wishes to work as balancer in the contemporary great game.

As a result of above changes, India has made a pragmatic shift in its foreign policy, which is manifest in the form of its departures from idealism to pragmatism, non-alignment to informal ally, economic protectionism to globalization: non-nuclear to nuclear state, third world collectivism to rising global power, defensive to offensive foreign policy posture, marginal power to power balancer etc. Thus, it becomes inevitable to examine India's new role and status in this post-cold war changed world order.



### Sub-Themes of National Seminar

- India's Growing Economic Capabilities
- Westphalian World Order
- World Order in first half of 20<sup>th</sup> century
- Post-cold war world order
- Multipolar/Non Polar/ Multiplex World and India
- Regionalism and New Regionalism
- India and South Asia
- India and South East Asia
- India and West Asia
- India and Central Asia
- India's Role in Multi-Alignments
- India and Emerging Strategic Partnership
- India's Bilateral Relations with Power Centres
- India's Soft Power Attributes
- India's Hard Power Capabilities
- India's Defence & Security Policy
- India's Maritime Policy
- India's Nuclear Policy
- India's Energy Security Policy
- India's Role as Power Balancer
- India and Environmental Politics
- India's Neighbourhood Policy
- Any other theme Related to the topic

- **Inaugral Session:** 10:00 am-11:00 am  
 Chief Guest : Sh. Satish Kumar, Economic Analyst, SJM, R.K. Puram, New Delhi.  
 Guest of Honor: Prof. Harish Kumar, Dept. of JMC, MDU, Rohtak  
 Keynote Speaker: Prof. R.S. Yadav, Former Vice-Chancellor, Baba Mastnath University, Rohtak; Former Head, Department of Political Science, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra, Professor Emeritus Jain Vishva Bharati University, Ladnun Rajasthan, Presently Visiting Professor at IGU, Meerpur, Rewari.
  
- **Technical Session 1:** 11:00 am-12:00 pm  
 Chairperson of the Session: Prof. Suresh Dhanda, S.A Jain P.G College, Ambala.  
 Co-chairperson of the Session: Prof. Vikramjeet Singh, Principal Dayanand PG College, Hisar.
  
- **Technical Session 2:** 12:00 pm-1:00 pm  
 Chairperson of the Session: Prof. Vikas Sabarwal, Department of Political Science, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra.  
 Co-chairperson of the Session: Prof. Brahm Parkash, Deptt. Of Political Science, BMU, Rohtak.
  
- **Technical Session 3:** 1:00 pm-1:45 pm  
 Chairperson of the Session: Prof. Ramesh Deswal, Department of Political Science, Central University of Haryana.  
 Co-chairperson of the Session: Prof. Surender Kumar, RKSD College, Kaithal.
  
- **Valedictory Session:** 1:45 pm-2:30 pm  
 Chief Guest : Prof. Ashwani Mahajan, University of Delhi, Delhi.  
 Guest of Honor: Sh. Deepak Sharma 'Pardeep', Economic Analyst, SJM, New Delhi.  
                                 Prof. Jaiveer Singh Dhankhar, Dept. of History, MDU, Rohtak  
 Keynote Speaker :Prof. Baljeet Singh, Department of Political Science, Jammu University, Jammu



- **Registration Fee:** No Fee
- **Registration Link for National Seminar:** <https://forms.gle/3SwkBNfDLjXtizPr5>  
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Email id: [khushbu.rs.polsc@mdurohtak.ac.in](mailto:khushbu.rs.polsc@mdurohtak.ac.in)
- **Paper Guidelines:** The abstract should be approx. 250-300 words including 4-5 keywords and the full-paper word limit should not exceed 4000 words.  
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