

India-Japan Indo-Pacific Forum 4<sup>th</sup> India-Japan Track 1.5 Dialogue

New Delhi October 15-16, 2018

## **EVENT PROFILE**

The Delhi Policy Group (DPG) organised the India-Japan Indo-Pacific Forum/4<sup>th</sup> India-Japan Track 1.5 Dialogue in New Delhi on October 15-16, 2018, with the support of the Ministry of External Affairs and in collaboration with the Japan Institute of International Affairs (JIIA). In keeping with the shared aspiration of both sides to transform this dialogue into the premier forum of strategic communication between India and Japan, the event brought together around 50 senior officials, strategists, academics and experts from leading think tanks and universities of India and Japan. This closed-door Dialogue was conducted under the Chatham House Rule.

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# The Imperial, New Delhi October 15-16, 2018

"With a view to achieving greater policy coordination and deepening intellectual exchanges between the two countries, the two Prime Ministers encouraged interactions among senior officials, strategists and experts in leading think tanks and universities on wide-ranging issues in the Indo-Pacific region."

<u>Japan-India Joint Statement</u>: "Toward a Free, Open and Prosperous Indo-Pacific", September 14, 2017

# **Agenda and Programme**

#### October 14, 2018, Sunday

1655 Arrival of JIIA delegation

Dinner hosted by Mr. Siddharth Shriram, Chairman and Managing

Trustee, Delhi Policy Group (Venue: No. 26, Sardar Patel Marg,

Chanakyapuri)

[All participants]

#### October 15, 2018, Monday

#### 0930-1030 **Opening Session**

- Welcoming Remarks by Ambassador H.K. Singh, Director General, DPG
- Opening Remarks by Ambassador Kenichiro Sasae, President, JIIA
- Introduction of General Dr. V.K. Singh (Retd.) by Mr. Siddharth Shriram, Chairman and Managing Trustee, DPG

 Keynote Address by General V.K. Singh (Retd.), Minister of State for External Affairs, Government of India

#### 1030-1045 Coffee Break

## 1045-1245 <u>Session 1</u>: Politics, Diplomacy and Strategy

- Global Trends and Power Alignments
- Strategies for Shaping Indo-Pacific Security Architecture
- Regional Connectivity Initiatives

Chair: DPG: Ambassador H.K. Singh, Director General [5 minutes]

Speakers: [8-10 minutes each]

Japan:

- Mr. Satoshi Suzuki, Deputy Minister/Director General, Foreign Policy Bureau, MOFA
- Prof. Masayuki Tadokoro, Member of JIIA Research Project on "Rule of Law in the Indo-Pacific"/Professor of Keio University
- Prof. Tsutomu Kikuchi, Senior Adjunct Fellow, JIIA/Professor of Aoyama Gakuin University
- Amb. Kunio Takahashi, Vice Chairman, Institute for International Strategy, The Japan Research Institute Ltd.

India:

- Amb. Gaddam Dharmendra, Additional Secretary (PP&R), MEA
- Amb. Nalin Surie, Distinguished Fellow, DPG
- Amb. Biren Nanda, Senior Fellow, DPG
- Mr. Sanjay Pulipaka, Nehru Senior Fellow, NMML

### 1245-1400 Special Address and Lunch

Co-Chairs: Amb. H.K. Singh and Amb. Kenichiro Sasae

- Special Address by Admiral R. K. Dhowan, former Chief of the Naval Staff, Chairman, NMF

1315-1400 - Lunch

#### 1400-1600 **Session 2: Defence and Security**

- Identifying common strategic challenges
- Enhancing bilateral, trilateral and Quad synergies
- Defence trade and technology: delivering outcomes

Chair: JIIA: Ambassador Kenichiro Sasae, President, JIIA [5 minutes]

*Speakers:* [8-10 minutes each]

India: - Mr. Shambhu S. Kumaran, Joint Secretary (PIC), MOD

- Admiral Arun Prakash, former CNS, Distinguished Fellow, DPG

- Brig. Arun Sahgal (Retd.), Ph.D., Senior Fellow, DPG

- Vice Admiral Pradeep Chauhan (Retd.), Director, NMF

- Mr. Kazuo Masuda, Cabinet Councillor, National Security Secretariat, Japan: Cabinet Secretariat

> - Mr. Yoichi Kato, Member of JIIA Research Project on "Rule of Law in the Indo-Pacific"/Senior Research Fellow, Asia Pacific Initiative

- Mr. Hideshi Tokuchi, Director of JIIA Research Project on "Bottomup Review (Security Research)"/Senior Fellow of GRIPS
- Vice-Admiral Hideaki Kaneda (Retd.), Adjunct Fellow, JIIA/Director for The Okazaki Institute

1600-1615 Coffee Break

#### 1615-1815 **Session 3:** Energy, Innovation and Technology

- Clean Energy and Environment
- Technologies and Innovation
- Academic Collaboration

Chair: DPG: Mr. T.N. Ninan, Chairman, Business Standard [5 minutes]

Speakers: [10 minutes each]

Japan: - Mr. Yasuo Takahashi, Vice-Minister for Global Environmental

Affairs, Ministry of Environment

- Mr. Nobuyori Kodaira, Chairman, The Toyota Foundation

- Dr. Shuzaburo Takeda, Special Advisor to the President, Tsukuba University (Former Advisor to the Ministry of Education, Culture,

Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)

India: - Dr. Ajay Mathur, Director General, TERI

- Mr. Sharad Sharma, Co-Founder, iSPIRT

- Prof. U.B. Desai, Director, IIT Hyderabad

Dinner hosted by Ms. Ruchi Ghanashyam, Secretary (West), Ministry of

External Affairs, Government of India

[Venue: Longchamp, Taj Mansingh, New Delhi]

#### October 16, 2018, Tuesday

#### 10.00-12.00 Panel Discussion on major outcomes and the way forward

Co-Chairs: Amb. H.K. Singh and Amb. Kenichiro Sasae

- Rapporteur's summary: Mr. Sanjay Pulipaka [15 minutes]

Presentations by Panellists: [Opening remarks: 5-7 minutes each]

India: - Mr. Pranay Verma, Joint Secretary (EA), MEA

- Rear Adm. K. Raja Menon, Board of Governors, FSI

- Amb. Ashok Kantha, Director, Institute of Chinese Studies

- Mr. Sharad Sharma, Co-Founder, iSPIRT

Japan: - Amb. Kunio Takahashi, Vice Chairman, IIS, JRIL

- Mr. Hideshi Tokuchi, Director of JIIA Research Project on "Bottom-

up Review (Security Research)"

- Dr. Shuzaburo Takeda, Special Advisor to the President, Tsukuba University (Former Advisor to the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT)

Discussion and Q&A

# 1200-1215 **Concluding Session**

- Concluding Remarks by Ambassador Kenichiro Sasae
- Valedictory Remarks by Ambassador H.K. Singh

1230-1330 Lunch

1930 Departure of JIIA delegation