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**Shifting Domains of Warfare : Special Focus On  
China's Increasing Adventurism**

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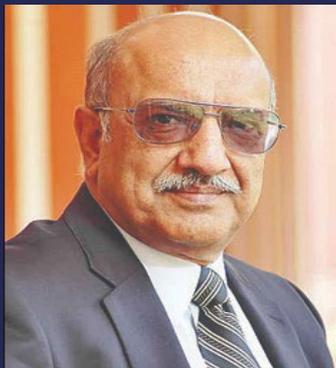
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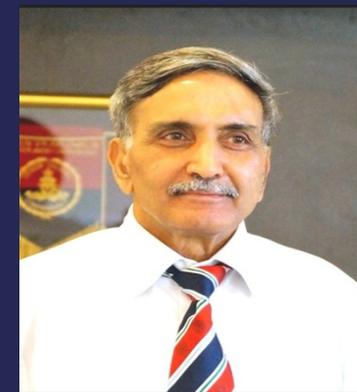
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# CONCEPT NOTE

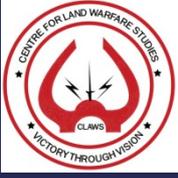


Warfare and war are ever evolving. While the basic nature is constant, but its ways and means keep changing - adapting to the new context each time. The new reality is of multi-domain challenges, wherein, the battle space has expanded from continental and maritime to that of space, cyber, electromagnetic and information domains. The most significant change is the objective which is no more restricted to physical victory over the adversary but making successive victories by attacking the 'weak' nodes through indirect ways across various spectrums/domains of national power.



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With direct confrontation no more the only choice, the new battle space has evolved into an unconventional theatre driven by hybrid, non-contact, grey zone tactics- making the war limited, local and most importantly, high-tech. In addition, in the information age, a wide variety of psychological, propaganda, deception, subversion methods and tools have been used to gain a position of advantage against an adversary with the aim to ultimately win, with or without the use of kinetic force. In Sun Tzu's words, *“in all fighting, the direct method may be used for joining battle, but indirect methods will be needed in order to secure victory”*.



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Due to radical changes in the geo-politico-economic-strategic-technological environment, the warfare has largely continued to evolve from clear territorial wars to uncertain, ambiguous, and irregular wars. These changes are in line with the nature and character of conflicts being experienced the world over. In view of this, China's growing adventurism is driven by the logic of 'fighting and winning' an 'Unrestricted Warfare'. As its growing power and influence is derived from its ability to secure its geopolitical and economic interests, compounded by realisation of its goals under "Chinese Dream", Beijing is increasingly adapting an aggressive posture to secure its 'core interests'.



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This is evident from China's increasing expansionist designs and military adventurism in every quarter- in the Himalayas, in the South China Sea, East China Sea and gradual footholds in the Indian Ocean. India faces a large number of external and internal security challenges due to a number of reasons. As the external challenges continue to persist primarily due to the unresolved boundary disputes with China and Pakistan, there is a need to analyse the impact of shifting domains of warfare on the Indian sub-continent in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Given this context, the seminar cum webinar aims to discuss and debate the broad theme of "shifting domains of warfare" in the 21st century. And more specifically, draw perspectives on China's expansionist behaviour along the India-China border and in the Indian Ocean.



# PROGRAMME

0930-1010hr	<b>Inaugural Session</b>
	Introductory Remarks by Director, CLAWS
	Keynote Address by the COAS, Patron-CLAWS
	Release of the Special Issue of CLAWS Journal (Commemorating 15 Years of CLAWS)
	Presentation of <b>Scholar Warrior Award</b> by COAS & Patron-CLAWS
1010-1110hr	<b>Session I: Shifting Domains of Warfare</b>
	Opening Remarks by Chairperson – Prof Gautam Sen, Distinguished Visiting Fellow – CLAWS
	Emerging Domains of Warfare: Confronting India in the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century by Lt Gen PS Rajeshwar (Retd), Former CISC and Former C-in-C Andaman & Nicobar Command
	War fighting in Information & Psychological Domain by Lt Gen Rajesh Pant (Retd), National Cyber Security Coordinator of India
	Strategic Leadership in War fighting: A Winning Factor by Lt Gen AK Singh (Retd), Distinguished Fellow - CLAWS
1110-1130hr	Interactive Session
1130-1140hr	<b>Commendation Ceremony</b> by the VCOAS, Chairman BoG, CLAWS
1140-1200hr	Tea Break

**Note : All attendance is by invitation only.**



# PROGRAMME

1200-1300hr	<b>Session II: China Walks by Design Than Default: Gaining Foothold in the Himalayas and the Indian Ocean</b>
	<b>Opening Remarks by Chairperson- Lt Gen SL Narasimhan (Retd.), Director General, CCCS</b>
	<b>China Walks by Design Than Default: A Military Perspective by Lt Gen VK Ahluwalia (Retd), Director-CLAWS</b>
	<b>China Walks by Design Than Default: A Political Perspective by Prof Srikanth Kondapalli, Centre for East Asian Studies, JNU</b>
	<b>China Walks by Design Than Default: A Maritime Perspective by Vice Admiral Anil Chopra (Retd., Distinguished Fellow –CLAWS</b>
1300-1320hr	<b>Interactive Session</b>
1320-1330hr	<b>Concluding Remarks by Director, CLAWS</b>
1330hr onwards	<b>Dispersal</b>

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# Session I: Shifting Domains of Warfare



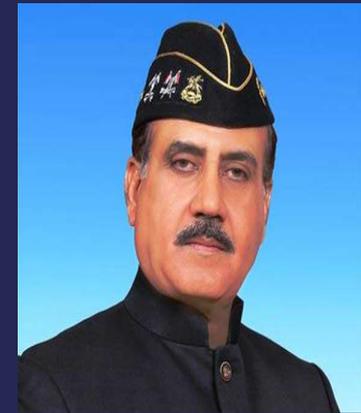
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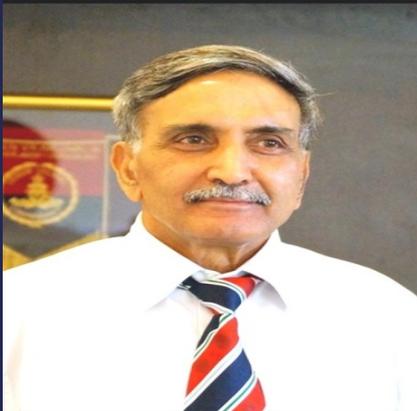


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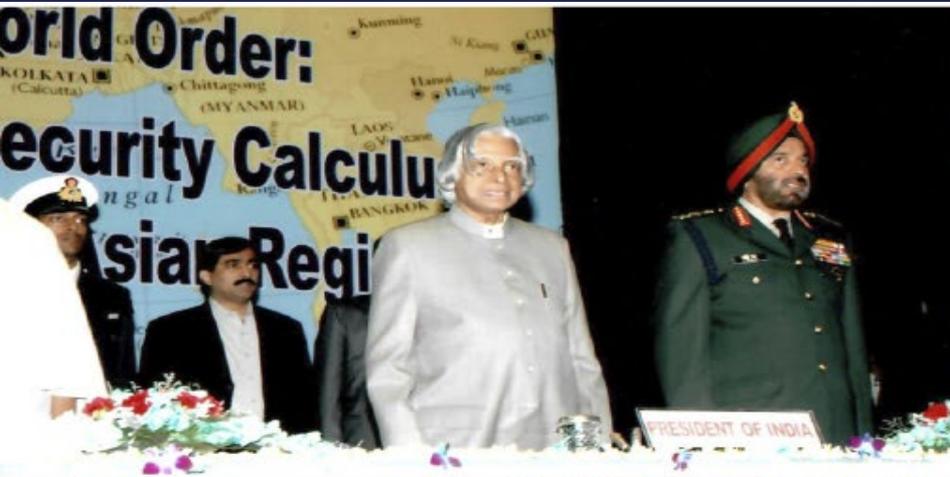


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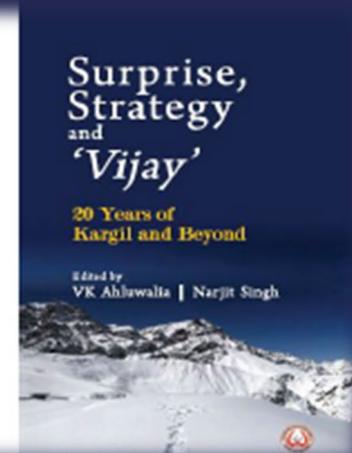
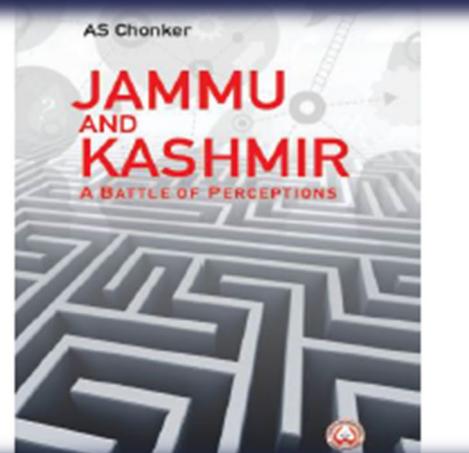
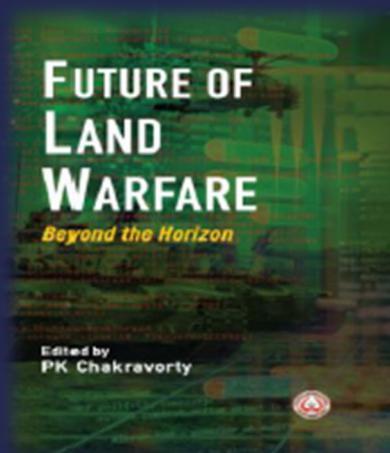
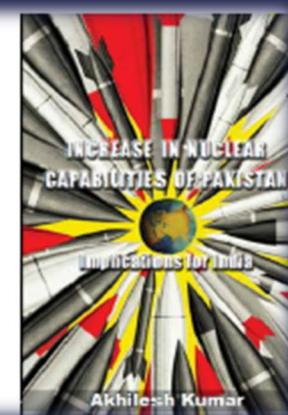
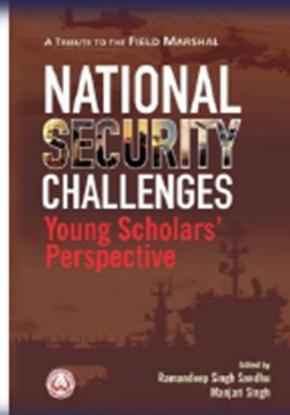
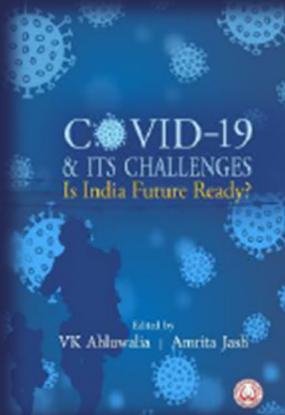


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