

KAUTILYA SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

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Course Code: PPOL6831	Course Title: Indian National Security Imperatives	
Trimester: 1	Course Type: Skill Shop	Credits: 1
Home Program(s): MPP	Batch/Academic Year: 2023-2024	
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Course Description

This course is structured as a focused study of the Indian paradigm and its prevailing imperatives. The underlying premise is that no Public Policy can develop or be implemented, in the absence of an appreciation of National Security. In the Indian context, this is critical due to our unique and diverse threats and challenges. The Course will cover all that is essential to know for an aspirant Indian policymaker. While briefly examining the evolution of the concept and practice of National Security, the heart of the Course lies in an India-centric examination. The National boundary, as well as maritime disputes, will be examined. The Course will develop a Geo-Strategic perspective for India as relevant in the 21st Century. Structures and organisations intimately involved in National Security in India, will be explained together with their functionality as manifested, in actual challenging circumstances. Conducted as a mix of interactive lectures, Case Studies and a student-led Peace Game, the Course will cover as wide a canvas as possible without losing focus or perspective. This Course in a small way seeks to address the lack of insight that prevails (due to a variety of factors), in national security issues,

Learning Objectives

The students will ...

- be given an overview of the origin and evolution of National Security, with its Core imperatives in the 20th and 21st Centuries.
- a view of the Indian Geo-Strategic paradigm, National borders and boundaries, land sea and air.
- Interface between Public Policy and National Security, based on Indian realities; and Indian national boundary and border disputes, (land and maritime).
- Indian National security structures, organisations and the dynamics of interaction.
- National Security decision-making, and outcomes, based on a case study view of actual events.
- an overview of the security dimensions, and imperatives with our neighbouring Nations.
- A brief journey into our emerging national threats and challenges.

Course Outcomes

On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Develop a clear view of India's geopolitical significance and imperatives.
- 2. Understand our boundary and border disputes.
- 3. Clearly perceive the inherent linkage between public policy and security in our internal and external context.
- 4. Be empowered in the future, to evaluate security threats and have an informed view on crises.
- 5. Be able to appreciate India's emerging security challenges.

Course Schedule

Unit I	Sessions: 2	Evolution of National Security and Indian Realities	
 The Domain of National Security, Core elements in the 20th and 21st Centuries, Indian Geo-Strategic paradigm. Public Policy and National Security as illustrated through Indian realities, National Security structures and organisations, Indian land and Maritime disputes. 			
Unit II	Sessions: 2	National Security Decision Making Precedent and Dilemmas	
 India – Pakistan – China, border dynamics, existential and security challenges. The Indian Ocean Region, Nepal, Bhutan, Myanmar, Bangla Desh, Sri Lanka, Indian concerns. 			
Unit III	Sessions: 2	The Consilience and Convergence of national security	
 Decision making and outcomes, (case studies, Indo Pak Wars of 1965 and 1971, Maldives 1988, Somalia UNOSOM. A view on Punjab, Jammu, Kashmir, Ladakh, Nagaland (Nagalim), Manipur, Naxalism. 			
Unit IV	Sessions: 2		
 Peace Game "<i>Haste Ansoo</i>". Class will function in Syndicates. India emerging Security Threats and Challenges and need for restructuring. 			