

Seminar, Book Discussions, Meet the Author
(1st February, 2017 – 31st December, 2017)

1. The book : Nation, Ethnicity and the Conflict in Afghanistan by Raghav Sharma. London: Routledge, 2017” was discussed on 8th February, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Amb. T.C.A. Rangachari, Amb (retd.) to Algeria, France and Germany and the panel consisting of Mr. Shakti Sinha, Director, Nehru Memorial Museum and Library; Prof. Ajay Darshan Behera, Jamia Millia Islamia University; and Ambassador Vivek Katju, former Ambassador to Afghanistan, Myanmar and Thailand.
2. The book : The Burning Forest: India’s War in Bastar by Nandini Sundar. New Delhi: Juggernaut Books, 2016 was discussed on 22nd February, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Dr. Dilip Simeon, (Retd.) Delhi University. The other panelists are Prof. Manoranjan Mohanty, Vice President, Council for Social Development Dr. Ajay Dandekar, Shiv Nadar University Dr. Ajay Sahni, Executive Director, Institute for Conflict Management.
3. The book : The Writings of Rajni Kothari: Politics in India, Caste in Indian Politics; Rethinking Democracy. Orient Blackswan, 2016. With a foreword by Ashis Nandy was discussed on 9th March, 2017. Dr. Ashis Nandy, Sociologist & fellow CSDS chaired the programme. Prof. Yogendra Yadav, Senior Fellow, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies; Prof. Neera Chandhoke, former Professor of Political Science, Delhi University; and Prof. Zoya Hasan, Professor Emeritus, Centre for Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, JNU discussed the book.
4. The book: Empowering Libraries Strategies for the Future by H. K. Kaul. New Delhi: Delhi Library Network, 2017 was discussed on 24th March, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Shri Jagmohan, Former Governor, J&K. The other Panelists are Dr. S.S. Murthy, Former Director, DESIDOC, Ministry of Defense, New Delhi; Prof. P. B. Mangla, Former Head, Dept. of Library & Information Science, University of Delhi; and Dr. Usha Mujoo Munshi, Librarian, Indian Institute of Public Administration.
5. The book : India’s Wars: A Military History, 1947-1971 by Ajun Subramaniam. Noida: HarperCollins, 2016 was discussed on 12th April, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Gen Syed Ata Hasnain, PVSM,

UYSM, AVSM, SM and Bar. The discussants were Mr. Sandeep Unnithan, Executive Editor, India Today and Mr. Dhruva Jaishankar, Fellow, Brookings India .

6. The book : India and the Global Game of Gas Pipelines by Gulshan Dietl. Oxon: Routledge, 2017 was discussed on 26th April, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Professor S D Muni, Distinguished Fellow IDSA & Prof. Emeritus, JNU. The other discussants were Ms. Sudha Mahalingam, Former Member, Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board Prof. Girijesh Pant, Former Professor, JNU Prof. Rajen Harshe, Department of International Relations, South Asian University.
7. The book: Giving with a Thousand Hands: The Changing Face of Indian Philanthropy. By Pushpa Sundar. New Delhi: OUP, 2017 was discussed on 11th May, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Shri Kiran Karnik, Former President of NASSCOM, and a well-known leader and spokesperson of the IT-BPO industry along with the Discussants Dr Rupmanjari Ghosh, Vice Chancellor, Shiv Nadar University; Dr. Rajesh Tandon, Director, PRIA; and Ms. Ingrid Srinath, Ashoka University.
8. The book : Age of Anger: A History of the Present by Pankaj Mishra. New Delhi: Juggernaut Books, 2017 was discussed on 24th May, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Dr. Ashis Nandy, Sociologist & fellow CSDS. The other discussants are Prof. Niraja Gopal Jayal, Centre for the Study of Law and Governance, JNU; Dr. Ananya Vajpeyi, CSDS; Prof. Zoya Hasan, Professor Emeritus, Centre for Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, JNU; and Prof. Peter DeSouza, CSDS.
9. The book : Conserving Architecture edited by Kulbhushan Jain. Ahmedabad, Aadi Centre, 2017 was discussed on 13th June, 2017. The programme was chaired by Shri Ashok Chatterjee, Executive Director, National Institute of Design, Ahmedabad. The other discussants were Ms. Amita Baig, Heritage Management Consultant, New Delhi; Ms. Gurmeet Rai, Director and Principle Conservation Architect, Cultural Resources Conservation Initiative Pvt. Ltd.; and Mr. Divay Gupta, Principle Director, Architectural Heritage division, INTACH, New Delhi.
10. The book : The Mothers of Manipur by Rehman Teresa. New Delhi: Zubaan , was discussed on 28th June, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Ms. Preeti Gill, Editor & Literary Agent along with the discussants Ms. Pamela Philipose, Public Editor, The Wire; Dr. Lianboi Vaiphei,

Professor, Political Science Dept. Indraprastha College, DU; Dr. Seema Kazi, Centre for Women's Development Studies.

11. Collective discussion for two books authored by Audrey Truschke was discussed on 12th July, 2017 for (1) Auranzeb: the man and the myth. Sage, 2017 and (2) Culture of Encounters: Sanskrit at the Mughal Court. Gurgaon, Allen Lane, 2016 under the Chairmanship of Prof. Upinder Singh, DU. The other discussants are Prof. Farhat Hasan, DU; Prof. Sunil Kumar, DU; Prof. Najaf Haider, CHS, JNU.
12. Meet the Author was organized on 26th July, 2017 for Dr. Shashi Tharoor for the book :An Era of Darkness: the British Empire in India". New Delhi: Aleph, 2016. Shri Pavan K. Varma, former Indian Foreign Service chaired the programme along with Prof. Syed Irfan Habib, Historian of Science and Science Education, National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) and Shri Ashok Malik, Senior Indian Analyst and Commentator.
13. The book : Energizing India: Towards a Resilient and Equitable Energy System by Suman Bery [Et al.]. New Delhi: Sage, 2017 was discussed on 9th August, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Amb. Shayam Saran, Former Foreign Secretary along with the discussants Shri Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Economist; Shri Ashok Bhattacharyya, Editor, Business Standard and Shri Vikram Singh Mehta, Chairman and Senior Fellow, Brookings India.
14. The book : After Piketty: the Agenda for Economics and Inequality edited by Heather Boushey; Bradford, DeLong J. and Marshall, Steinbaum. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 2017 was discussed on 30th August, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Shri Montek Singh Ahluwallia, Economist alongwith Prof. Deepak Nayyar, Emeritus Professor of Economics, JNU; Prof. Bharat Ramaswamy, Professor, Indian Statistical Institute; and Prof. Bhaskar Dutta, Prof. of Economics, Ashoka University.
15. The book : Intimacy Undone: Marriage, Divorce and Family Law in India by Malavika Rajkotia. New Delhi: Speaking Tiger, 2017 was discussed on 1st September, 2017. Shri Soli J. Sorabjee, Former Attorney General chaired the programme along with other discussants Ms. Indira Jai Singh, Advocate, Supreme Court of India; Justice Ravindra Bhat, High Court of Delhi; Shri Prosenjeet Banerjee, Advocate.

16. The book : Hegel's India: a Reinterpretation, with Texts by Aakash Singh Rathore and Rimina Mohapatra. New Delhi: OUP, 2017 was discussed on 6th September, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Shri Bharat Wariavwalla, Honorary Fellow, CSDS along with Prof. Makarand R. Paranjape, Prof. of English, Centre for English Studies, JNU; Dr. Swagato Ganguly, Editorial Page Editor, The Times of India; Prof. Babu Thaliath, Prof. & Chairperson, Centre for German Studies, JNU.
17. The book : Navigating India \$18 Trillion Opportunity by Bharat Joshi. New Delhi: Rupa, 2017 was discussed on 8th September, 2017 by Mr. Shakti Sinha, Director, Nehru Memorial Museum & Library; Mr. Bill Spindle, South Asian Bureau Chief of Wall Street Journal; and Mr. Baijayant Jay Panda, MP.
18. The book : Europe's India: Words, People, Empires, 1500-1800 by Sanjay Subrahmanyam . London: Harvard University Press, 2017 was discussed on 20th September, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Prof. Sunil Kumar, Department of History, University of Delhi. The discussants were Prof. Kavita Singh, School of Arts & Aesthetics, JNU; Dr. Govind, Dept. of History, DU; Prof. Denys P. Leighton, School of Liberal Studies, Ambedkar University.
19. Collective discussion for two books; Jagmohan. (1) My Frozen Turbulence in Kashmir. 12th ed. New Delhi: Allied Publishers, 2017 and (2) Tilak Devasher, Pakistan: Courting the Abyss. Noida: HarperCollins, 2016 was discussed on 24th October, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Vice-Admiral (retd.) K. K. Nayyar, former Vice Chief of Indian Navy along with the discussants Ambassador Satish Chandra, former High Commissioner to Pakistan and Former Deputy National Security Advisor and Shri Sushant Sareen, Senior Fellow, Vivekananda International Foundation.
20. The book: Indira Gandhi: a Life in Nature by Ramesh Jairam. New Delhi: Simon & Schuster India, 2017 was discussed on 8th November, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Dr. Karan Singh, MP, Rajya Sabha. The other discussants are Shri Mahesh Rangarajan, Ashoka University Shri Samar Singh, IAS and Ms. Sunita Narain, Director General, CSE
21. The book: Indira: India's Most Powerful Prime Minister by Sagarika Ghose. New Delhi: Juggernaut, 2017 was discussed on 22nd November, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Shri Wajahat Habibullah, former Chairperson, National commission for Minorities alongwith other

discussants Shri Manish Tiwari, Lawyer, former Union Minister Ms. Nalini Singh, Journalist, MD of TV Live India Pvt. and Dr. Seshadari Chari, Journalist, Political, Strategic and Foreign Policy Analyst