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SESSION I (Perception of China and India in each others media)



Moderator:

Raj Chengappa is currently the Editor-in-Chief of The Tribune Group of Newspapers based in Chandigarh.

He is an award winning journalist of 35 years' standing. Considered one of India's foremost writers on security affairs. He is the author of the best-selling book on India's nuclear programme titled, Weapons of Peace: The Secret Story of India's quest to be a Nuclear Power.



Speaker-I

Pramit Pal Chaudhuri is the Foreign Affairs Editor of the Hindustan Times, a leading English daily based in New Delhi and has been with the paper since 2000. He is serving his second two-year term on the National Security Advisory Board to the Prime Minister of India.

He was a contributing member of the Asia Society Task Force report on the "United States and South Asia After Afghanistan" released in December 2012.



Speaker-II

Pranab Dhal Samanta is the Editor, Express News Service in The Indian Express, a leading English daily in India. He has been a journalist for 14 years and has reported extensively on foreign policy and security issues, covering the entire expanse of India's diplomatic, intelligence and security apparatus.

Participants:



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Navin Suri is the chief editor of The Daily Milap, one of the oldest & largest Urdu dailies in the country. Navin Suri has written more than 12 books in Urdu, Hindi and English on various topics. He has been at the helm of the newspaper since 1982.



Nidhi Razdan is an award winning journalist with NDTV, India's leading news network. She is a Senior Editor and Senior Anchor and currently covers foreign policy and anchors a popular daily news show called 'Left, Right and Centre', where the day's top political stories are debated with the newsmakers.



Sankarshan Thakur is a Delhi-based Roving Editor of The Telegraph and has reported and written on a wide range of national and international issues.



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Sheetal Rajput is a Broadcast Journalist with an experience of 14 years and is currently Executive Editor of India News. Besides being a Prime Time News Presenter for almost a decade and a half, Sheetal has been a regular on the Foreign and Defence beats. She also happens to be the first Indian woman journalists to report live from the war zone in Iraq in March-April 2003.



Srinjoy Chowdhury is National Affairs Editor, Times Now India's most watched English News Television Channel. He has been a journalist for the last thirty years.

SESSION II (New Media and its impact)



Moderator:

Barkha Dutt is Group Editor with NDTV, India's premiere news and current affairs network. In a career spanning seventeen years, she is the youngest journalist to receive the 'Padma Shri', one of the country's highest State honours.

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Speaker-I

Praveen Swami an award-winning journalist, is the National Security Analyst for Firstpost.com and CNN-IBN. He writes on security and intelligence issues. Mr. Swami was earlier Resident Editor of The Hindu in New Delhi and Diplomatic Editor of The Daily Telegraph in London.



Speaker-II

Anant Goenka is Head - New Media, Indian Express. In November 2012, The Indian Express was awarded the gold medal in social media in Asia by the World Association of Newspapers (WAN-IFRA). Today, through its apps, mobile site, website and ePaper, the Express group reaches over 25 million unique visitors across the world and clocks 70 million page views a month.

Participants:



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SESSION III (Scope for media cooperation between India and China)



Moderator:

Siddharth Varadarajan is Editor of The Hindu, a position he has held since January 2012. A trained economist, he taught at New York University for several years before returning to India to work as a journalist. In 2007, he was a visiting professor at the School of Journalism, University of California. A leading commentator on national and international issues, he authored a book on the 2002 Gujarat riots, "Gujarat: The Making of a Tragedy".



Speaker-I

Tarun Basu is a media personality of 40 years' standing. He has worked in both Indian and international media organizations. He is the Chief Editor and Director of the Indo-Asian News Service (IANS), India's leading independent newswire and multimedia content provider. He has been a frequent visitor to China - having been there with three Indian Prime Ministers.



Speaker-II

Siddharth Zarabi is the National News Editor at CNBC TV18, India's top business news television channel. He has 16 years of experience in business journalism, with across the board experience in the entire genre of business news. This includes newspapers and television. He was the youngest Special Correspondent at the Hindustan Times in 2000. In 2006, he moved to Business Standard as their Economy Bureau Chief, before joining television five years ago.





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Manini Chatterjee is a senior political journalist with over three decades of experience in the profession. She has covered parliament, political parties and several state and national elections over the years for The Telegraph and later the Indian Express. She is currently Editor, National Affairs, of The Telegraph.



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Participants



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