National Chengchi University College of International Affairs Center for India Studies Annual Report Academic Year 112

Center Name	Center for India Studies
Director	Chen Ping-kuei
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Participants	**I. Key Personnel** *(e.g., Executive Director, Advisors, etc.)* 1. **On-campus:** o Center Director: Associate Professor Chen Ping-kuei, Department of Diplomacy, National Chengchi University o Center Researcher: Professor Liou To-hai, Department of Diplomacy, National Chengchi University o Center Researcher: Associate Professor Wei Mei-chuan, Graduate Institute of Development Studies, National Chengchi University 2. **Off-campus:** o Center Researcher: Lee Ssu-hsien, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Diplomacy, National Chengchi University o Center Researcher: Professor Chen Wei-hua, Department of Public Safety, Taiwan Police College **II. Other Personnel** *(e.g., assistants, staff, or contracted personnel)*

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Work Achievements and Future Work Plan

I. Work Achievements for the Current Academic Year

1. **Participation in the 2023 Annual Conference of the Taiwan Association of Indian Studies**
   On September 22, 2023, the Center participated in the **2023 Annual Conference of the Taiwan Association of Indian Studies** and the international academic conference **"New Prospects for Indian Studies in Taiwan."**
   The Center, together with Yueh-Tse Yang, presented an academic paper at the conference.
2. **Visit to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
   On September 27, 2023, Research Fellows Mei-Chuan Wei and Wei-Hua Chen, together with colleagues, visited the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and met with Ya-Kuang Chang, Director-General of the Department of Policy Planning.
3. **Meeting with Professor Amita Batra**
   On October 5, 2023, the Center held a meeting with Professor Amita Batra of Jawaharlal Nehru University to discuss prospects for economic cooperation between Taiwan and India.
4. **Online Forum: "Multilateralism at Crossroads: India after BRICS, SCO, and G20"**
   On October 6, 2023, the Center organized the online forum **"Multilateralism at Crossroads: India after BRICS, SCO, and G20."**
   Participants included Dr. Panda, Dr. Szu-Hsien Lee, Dr. Sana Hashmi, and Dr. Rajesh Rajagopalan.

5. **Guest Lecture by Professor Santana Sarkar**
   On October 24, 2023, the Center hosted a special lecture by Professor Santana Sarkar, Professor of Industrial Relations at Xavier School of Management, India.
6. **Visit by South Asian Young Think Tank and Opinion Leaders Delegation**
   On December 21, 2023, Research Fellows Mei-Chuan Wei and Wei-Hua Chen, together with Professor Chi-Feng Liu, assisted in hosting a delegation of nine scholars and teachers from India, Sri Lanka, and Bangladesh as part of the **South Asian Young Think Tank and Opinion Leaders Visit to Taiwan**.
7. **Academic Lecture by Dr. Oliver Scanlan**
   On January 9, 2024, the Center co-organized an academic lecture with the Department of Ethnology and the Graduate Institute of Development Studies.
   The lecture was delivered by Dr. Oliver Scanlan, a Taiwan Fellow from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs who was conducting research at National Chengchi University.
   The lecture was titled **"Contrasting Histories from the Plains to the Hills: Explaining Stronger Recognition for Indigenous Sovereignty in India compared with Taiwan."**
8. **Meeting with a Delegation from the United Service Institution of India**
   On March 13, 2024, the Center participated in a meeting with a delegation from the **United Service Institution of India (USI)**. The delegation was led by Major General (Ret.) BK Sharma, President of USI, and Major General (Ret.) RS Yadav, Director of the Centre for Strategic Studies and Simulation.
9. **Meeting with GIDS Taiwan Fellow Raian Hossain**
   On March 13, 2024, the Center met with GIDS Taiwan Fellow Raian Hossain.
10. **Participation in the Taiwan Association of Indian Studies Board Meeting**
    On May 10, 2024, Research Fellows Mei-Chuan Wei and Wei-Hua Chen participated in a meeting of the board and supervisors of the Taiwan Association of Indian Studies.

II. Work Plan for the Next Academic Year

The Center's work plan for the next academic year includes:

1. Visiting academic institutions in India.
2. Publishing academic articles on India.
3. Publishing policy-oriented articles on South Asia.
4. Hosting visiting scholars from South Asia and inviting them to give lectures and share their expertise in courses at National Chengchi University.
5. Consolidating the Center's research expertise and strengthening exchanges with India.
6. Continuing to serve as a board member of the Taiwan Association of Indian Studies.
7. Preparing for the **2024 Annual Conference of the Taiwan Association of Indian Studies**, to be held at National Chengchi University on September 28, 2024.
8. Securing resources to employ assistants and providing training for Center assistants.

III. Other Activities

Relevant event photographs and posters are attached to the report, including:

2023 Annual Conference of the Taiwan Association of Indian Studies and International Academic Conference "New Prospects for Indian Studies in Taiwan"



【Academic Lecture by Dr. Oliver Scanlan: "Contrasting Histories from the Plains to the Hills: Explaining Stronger Recognition for Indigenous Sovereignty in India compared with Taiwan"】



【Delegation Meeting with Major General (Ret.) BK Sharma, President of the United Service Institution of India, and Major General (Ret.) RS Yadav, Director of the Centre for Strategic Studies and Simulation】

