National Chengchi University College of International Affairs Center for India Studies Annual Report Academic Year 114

Center Name	Center for India Studies
Director	Chen Ping-kuei
Implementation Period	August 1, 2025 – July 31, 2026

Participants	**I. Key Personnel**
	(e.g., Executive Director, Advisors, etc.)
	• **On-campus:**
	  ○ Center Director: Professor Chen Ping-kuei, Department of Diplomacy, National Chengchi University
	  ○ Center Researcher: Professor Liou To-hai, Department of Diplomacy, National Chengchi University
	  ○ Center Researcher: Associate Professor Wei Mei-chuan, Graduate Institute of Development Studies, National Chengchi University
	  ○ Center Researcher: Assistant Professor Chen Nai-hua, Department of Ethnology, National Chengchi University
	• **Off-campus:**
	  ○ Center Researcher: Lee Ssu-hsien, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Diplomacy, National Chengchi University
	  ○ Center Researcher: Professor Chen Wei-hua, Department of Public Safety, Taiwan Police College

	II. Other Personnel
	(e.g., assistants, staff, or contracted personnel)
	
	• **On-campus:**
	  ○ Assistant: Kuo Shih-hung, Master's student, Department of Diplomacy, National Chengchi University
	  ○ Assistant: Chuang Chieh-mei, Master's student, Department of Diplomacy, National Chengchi University
	  ○ Assistant: Peng Jen-chun, Master's student, Department of Diplomacy, National Chengchi University

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Work Achievements and Future Work Plan

I. Work Achievements for the Current Academic Year (Including Attachments)

- **September 4, 2025:** Professor Wei Mei-chuan introduced Devendra Kumar, Associate Researcher at the Institute of Himalayan Studies at Shiv Nadar University, and referred him to Professor Chen Nai-hua.
- **November 13, 2025:** Attended a seminar co-organized by the Taiwan South-South Association and the Institute for National Defense and Security Research to discuss South Asian issues.
- **November 14, 2025:** Presented a paper in Chinese on BRICS at the annual conference on international relations.
- **December 28, 2025:** Attended the annual conference of the Taiwan Association of Indian Studies.
- **January 2026:** Presented a paper in English on BRICS at the annual conference of the Southern Political Science Association.
- **February 2026:** Visiting scholar Manoj Panigrahi taught a course on South Asian politics at IMPIS.

- **May 28, 2026:** Held the BRICS Forum, titled *The BRICS in a Changing World: India's BRICS Chairmanship in 2026*.
- **September 2026:** Visiting scholar Manoj Panigrahi taught a course on South Asian politics at the College of International Affairs, with the course cross-listed with IMPIS.
- **July 26, 2026:** Traveled to Kathmandu University to discuss the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU); attended an academic conference at Jawaharlal Nehru University; participated in a closed-door forum hosted by the Asia Society Policy Institute; and held discussions with Indian think tank scholars on India's foreign policy and critical minerals policy.

II. Work Plan for the Next Academic Year

1. Visit academic institutions in India.
2. Publish an article on India's strategic autonomy in foreign policy.
3. Publish an academic article on India and China within BRICS.
4. Contribute a book chapter on India's geostrategy.
5. Update the Center's website.
6. Seek funding to hire and train research assistants. As the current assistants are expected to graduate, the Center plans to recruit two additional assistants.

III. Other





Meeting at Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU).



Dean of the School of Art at Kathmandu University.