

CENERS-K

The Research Centre for Eastern and
Northeastern Regional Studies - Kolkata



Shaping National Discourse **Since 2007**

THE RESEARCH CENTRE FOR EASTERN AND NORTHEASTERN REGIONAL STUDIES- KOLKATA

The Research Centre for Eastern and Northeastern Studies-Kolkata (CENERS-K), established in July 2007 is an autonomous research organization, comprising an independent thinking body of researchers who are interested in carrying out research initiatives with regard to the following broad domains of turbulence, development, peace and security in South, East and Southeast Asia, and India, with special focus on the east and northeast of India. The main objective of the CENERS-K is to open up avenues of profound deliberation, spontaneous debate and in-depth discussion on regional, national and global issues of immediate concern and to ensure active participation of people from all walks of life. The CENERS-K is rich in its intellectual composition with a pool of experts teaming in from a wide variety of professions, including bureaucrats, armed forces personnel, civil servants, policy planners, academicians, bankers, entrepreneurs and the like. The CENERS-K believes in the power of collective thought, power of collective expression, and an independent mind bank.

Areas of Focus

The CENERS-K aspires to focus on non-glamorous issues and aspects which are likely to affect the future of the geopolitical and socio-cultural space of India, and the Indian populace in the most profound manner. The identified areas are as under:

- Counter insurgency, internal security, turbulence and the means to address and deal with them
- Demographic compulsions
- Nation building by the armed forces
- Peace and conflict resolution
- Markets and their effects
- Rural upliftment and infrastructure development
- Energy, economy, environment, ecology and water (E4W)

Mission and History

In 2007, with the founding of the CENERS-K it had been observed that despite seven years into the millennium, the East, North East and, of course, Further East, (from the Indian perspective) had hardly moved ahead. Whereas the rest of India was already firmly grounded within the globalization fold, the said area appeared rather time warped. The East and North East are a people and polity apart. In order to ensure and encourage an "all-inclusive" approach towards a comprehensive, holistic study of the East and the northeast, the CENERS-K engages all year round in conducting National and International seminars, conferences, symposia and special lecture sessions.

The mission of the Research Centre for Eastern and North Eastern Regional Studies, Kolkata is to educate the people and work with the state(s), and to create awareness about the contemporary issues of social, political and economic relevance confronting them, setting these issues up against the national canvas, and develop a futuristic plan that forecasts events and eventualities and options to tackle them.

Aims and Objectives

To conduct independent research and encourage academic engagement on internal security issues in the East and Northeast, and share findings with the public, and policy makers.

To provide a forum for the strategic community and students to examine and discuss current strategic issues, from out of the box, and consider alternatives.

To carry out comprehensive studies on demographic compulsions arising out of natural shifts, and propose solutionstowards national absorption.

To study Bangladesh Bhutan, China, Myanmar, Nepal, and Sri Lanka in some depth, South East and East Asia, in general, and Micronesia and Polynesia as an overview, and educate the people of India to make them aware of the above nations in all their facets.

Analyse the market in the coming half century, and the essential role India shall play in alignments and national interests.

Concomitant rural upliftment along with infrastructures and urban development. The contribution(s) that the Armed Forces can make towards nation building when not required to defend/extend the nation's policies.

Finally, the importance of control over E4W, the future conflict area.

It is in view of the fact that the states are becoming more autonomous and federal in nature, and in recognition of the present state of ideological expediency, policy compulsions, and a politically directed executive, that the CENERS-K, with its autonomous, apolitical, fiercely independent platform, plays a role in molding public awareness, which, hopefully, shall transform itself into policy. CENERS-K cannot and shall not be bound by a singular ideology: it shall stay away from the nitty-gritty of routine governance in order to stand apart and view issues in perspective. The CENERS-K continues to facilitate development of a concerted methodology for all around future development, to specifically include the focused areas.

THE CALCUTTA JOURNAL OF GLOBAL AFFAIRS

Key Areas of Research Focus

The present era has been recognized the world over as “knowledge era”. High-end innovative research today supports the trend of breaking free from the earlier orthodox premises of disciplinary research. Thus, global academia today encourages interdisciplinary, multi-disciplinary, cross-disciplinary and trans-disciplinary approach of researchers towards issues of social, political and economic relevance. It now has become imperative for research journals to expand the aim and scope of research investigation and allow free flow of ideas, substantiated by well documented sources and critical analysis.

The Calcutta Journal of Global Affairs is a flagship journal of CENERS-K. It is a refereed journal in the field of Arts and Humanities, while also touching upon some crucial areas of Social Sciences as well. With regard to the promotion of research investigation in the arena of eastern and northeastern regional studies, the Calcutta Journal of Global Affairs encourages research initiatives in the following broader domains apart from its exclusive focus upon geopolitics, geo-strategy, geo-civilization, social, cultural and developmental studies, international relations, global politics and economy, defence and security studies, language and literature. Apart from the aforementioned areas, research articles, book reviews, essays are also invited in the following sub-domains:

1. Tourism Studies
2. Culture, Religion and Ethnic Studies
3. Frontier and Borderland Studies
4. Studies in Social, Political and Human Geography
5. Sociological Studies
6. Studies in Ecology and Environment Management

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Any citizen of India can become a member of our organization, Membership in our organization is open to individuals and institutions who share a commitment to advancing research, policy dialogue, and innovative thinking on issues of regional and global importance. As a think tank, we believe that meaningful change is driven by informed ideas, collaborative research, and constructive engagement between scholars, professionals, policymakers, and civil society.

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