



Director's Message

This issue of *ISIDNEWS* summarises the activities of the Institute during April-June 2026. Key highlights are the jointly organised IIT-Indore & DST-CPR policy roundtable on *Innovation and Future-Ready Patent Policy for Viksit Bharat*; and the ICSSR-sponsored two-week capacity building programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges for Teachers and Faculties of Social Science*; research seminars on *India's High-Tech Leap, Industrial Policy and Future of Innovation*; and *Dynamics in Exchange Rate Pass-Through: Explorations with the BRICS Countries*.

ISIDNEWS also provides updates on the research projects, and on new ISID publications, popular writings and other outreach activities of the faculty members.

As the premier national think-tank focused on industry, ISID continues to support India's current thrust on manufacturing through excellence in policy research, advocacy, capacity-building, and outreach activities. *ISIDNEWS* will keep you posted on the activities and work of the Institute.

- Nagesh Kumar

IIT-Indore, DST-CPR & ISID Policy Roundtable Innovation and Future-Ready Patent Policy for Viksit Bharat



IIT-Indore and ISID jointly organised the policy roundtable on Innovation and Future-ready Patent Policy to mark the World Intellectual Property Day 2026 on April 24, 2026 in Indore. It brought together policy makers, academicians, industry leaders, and legal experts. Moderated by **Prof Ruchi Sharma**, DPIIT IPR Chair Professor, IIT Indore, the Roundtable was addressed by **Prof Nagesh Kumar**, Director, ISID, New Delhi, **Dr Akhilesh Gupta**, Distinguished Visiting, Professor, IIT Indore and a former Adviser, Department of Science & Technology, Government of India; **Prof Rupinder Tewari**, Mentor, DST-Technology Enabling Centre, Panjab University, Chandigarh; **Adv Alvin Antony**, Chief Compliance Officer, GovernAI; **Mr Janak Nabar**, Chief Executive Officer, CTIER, Pune; and **Dr Ajay Thakur**, Deputy Controller of Patents, IP Office, Ahmedabad. The discussions covered the trends and patterns in the innovative activity in India in a global comparative perspective, insights into the relative underperformance of the country and the role that the intellectual property ecosystem plays in the context of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence, digital innovation, and clean energy. The YouTube link to the session is available [here](#). [\[read more\]](#)

TWO-WEEK CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges for Teachers and Faculties of Social Sciences



ISID organised a Two-Week Capacity Building Programme sponsored by the ICSSR on "*Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges for Teachers and Faculties of Social Science*" from May 4 to 16, 2026 at the ISID Campus. The programme aimed to enhance knowledge and research capabilities of the young social science faculties/teachers in industrial development and policy research. A total of 48 lecture sessions were delivered by eminent academicians and scholars on aspects of industrial development, structural change, trade and investment, MSMEs, competitiveness, R&D, innovation,

Industry 4.0, e-commerce, and green industrialisation as well as technical sessions on data analytics, geographic information system, industrial databases, academic writing, and Indian knowledge systems. The programme was attended by 38 faculty members of different colleges and university departments across the country.

The programme was coordinated by **Dr Satyaki Roy**, Associate Professor, ISID, and **Dr Sangeeta Ghosh**, Assistant Professor, ISID. The Inaugural Lecture was delivered by **Prof Nagesh Kumar**, Director, ISID; the Keynote Address was delivered by **Prof Pulapre Balakrishnan**, Visiting Faculty, Centre for Development Studies (CDS), Thiruvananthapuram; and Valedictory Address was delivered by **Dr Abhinav Piyush**, Deputy Director (Research), ICSSR. [\[read more\]](#)



RESEARCH SEMINARS

India's High-Tech Leap, Industrial Policy and Future of Innovation



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April 24, 2026

Sunil Mani
India's High-Tech Leap, Industrial Policy and Future of Innovation

Book Discussion on
India's High-Tech Leap, Industrial Policy and Future of Innovation

Chair: Prof Aditya Bhattacharjee, ISID

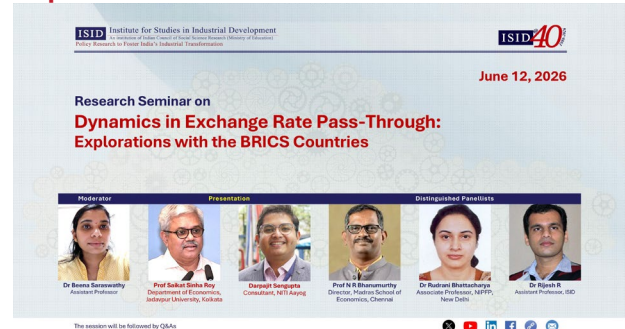
Author: Prof Sunil Mani, Honorary Visiting Professor, CDS, Trivandrum; and Professorial Fellow, IEDL, University of Athens

Distinguished Panellists:
Dr Sujit Bhattacharya, Adjunct Professor, Amrita University, and former Chief Scientist, CSIR-NIScPR;
Dr Saradindu Bhaduri, Associate Professor, Centre for Studies in Science Policy, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU); and
Dr Sabyasachi Saha, Associate Professor, Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS).

ISID organised a research seminar on *India's High-Tech Leap, Industrial Policy and Future of Innovation* on April 24, 2026. **Prof Sunil Mani**, Honorary Visiting Professor, Centre for Development Studies (CDS) Trivandrum, and Professorial Fellow, IEDL, University of Athens made a presentation based on his forthcoming book on the subject. The session was chaired by **Prof Aditya Bhattacharjee**, Visiting Professor, ISID. Distinguished panellists included **Dr Sujit Bhattacharya**, Adjunct Professor, Amrita University, and former Chief Scientist, CSIR-NIScPR; **Dr Saradindu Bhaduri**, Associate Professor, Centre for Studies in Science Policy, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU); and **Dr Sabyasachi Saha**, Associate Professor, Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS).

The presentation explored how strategic government support can drive innovation and competitiveness, especially in emerging economies. Prof Mani highlighted India's industrial successes, such as global IT software services, pharmaceutical industries and sustainable technologies, as well as the drawbacks of their reliance on imports and weak coordination. The interesting discussion highlighted the need for reducing import dependence. Currently import dependence is extremely high for high-tech products. A major hurdle in reducing import dependence is that, various components are covered by patents, which is leading to the need for licensing. Further, the technology-trade balance of trade in India is increasing rapidly. Out of this, the receipts are not generated much from hard core technologies. The YouTube link to the session is available [here](#). [\[read more\]](#)

Dynamics in Exchange Rate Pass-Through: Explorations with the BRICS Countries



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Research Seminar on
Dynamics in Exchange Rate Pass-Through: Explorations with the BRICS Countries

Moderator: Dr Beena Saraswathy, Assistant Professor, ISID

Presenter: Prof Saikat Sinha Roy, Department of Economics, Jadavpur University, Kolkata

Distinguished Panellists:
Dr N R Bhanumurthy, Director, Madras School of Economics, Chennai; Dr Rudrani Bhattacharya, Associate Professor, National Institute of Public Finance & Policy (NIPFP); and Dr R Rijesh, Assistant Professor, ISID.

ISID organised a Research Seminar on "*Dynamics in Exchange Rate Pass-Through: Explorations with the BRICS Countries*" on June 12, 2026. The presentation was made by **Prof Saikat Sinha Roy**, Department of Economics, Jadavpur University, Kolkata. The Seminar explored various aspects of exchange rate pass-through (ERPT) relevant in the context of emerging market economies. It emphasised the roles of global uncertainty, geopolitical risk, central bank policies, and the various macroeconomic factors in determining ERPT. The emerging market economies of BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa) serve as a case in point to illustrate these varied dimensions ingrained in ERPT.

The Seminar was moderated by **Dr Beena Saraswathy**, Assistant Professor, ISID, with distinguished panellists including **Prof N R Bhanumurthy**, Director, Madras School of Economics, Chennai; **Dr Rudrani Bhattacharya**, Associate Professor, National Institute of Public Finance & Policy (NIPFP); and **Dr R Rijesh**, Assistant Professor, ISID. The YouTube link to the session is available [here](#). [\[read more\]](#)

ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

Research Programmes/Projects

New

Strengthening SME Cooperation under BRICS PartNIR during India's Presidency 2026

India assumed the BRICS Chairship on January 1, 2026 under the theme "Building for Resilience, Innovation, Cooperation and Sustainability," guided by the principle of "Humanity First." The Chairship seeks to strengthen MSMEs by enhancing access to finance and technology, promoting sustainability, and boosting intra-BRICS trade and competitiveness. The BRICS Partnership on the New Industrial Revolution (PartNIR), established in 2018, provides the framework for cooperation in industrialisation, digitalisation, innovation, and investment. Under PartNIR, the BRICS SME Working Group and the BRICS MSME Forum facilitate policy dialogue, knowledge sharing, and collaboration among member countries. As the nodal agency for PartNIR, the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) has engaged the Institute for Studies in Industrial Development (ISID) as its knowledge partner to support SME-related meetings, prepare analytical reports, and draft BRICS documents. The project is led by Prof Nagesh Kumar, Director, ISID, and Dr Akhilesh Kumar Sharma, Assistant Professor, ISID. The time frame of the project is April to December 2026.

Completed

Towards Resilient and Sustained Growth of the MSME Sector in India: Lessons from the COVID-19 Pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic caused unprecedented supply- and demand-side disruptions, severely affecting MSMEs through lockdowns, labour shortages, and supply chain breakdowns. As a major contributor to industrial output, employment, and inclusive growth, the MSME sector was among the hardest hit. This ICSSR-funded study examined the determinants of MSME survival, resilience, and sustained growth using a mixed-methods approach that combines macroeconomic analysis, secondary data (MoSPI, CMIE ProwessIQ, and WBES), and a primary survey of 720 MSMEs across 12 states. The findings show that MSME resilience depends not only on firm-level capabilities but also on macroeconomic stability, institutional quality, and effective policy support. The study advocates a multidimensional policy framework integrating finance, technology, employment, and regional ecosystems to enhance resilience and competitiveness. Key recommendations include resilience funds, crisis-responsive credit, demand revival measures, digital infrastructure, formalisation incentives, labour security, and cluster-based ecosystem development. The study was conducted by Dr Akhilesh Kumar Sharma, Assistant Professor, ISID, with funding support from the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR).

Outreach and Contributions to External Events

Nagesh Kumar, Director

- Made a presentation on the manufacturing sector to the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM), chaired by Prof S Mahendra Dev, Chairman, EAC-PM, on April 13, 2026.
- Addressed the event organised by NCAER to launch the World Bank's South Asia Economic Update on Industrial Policy on Thursday, April 9, 2026.
- Participated in the 60th Meeting of the RBI's Monetary Policy Committee during April 6-7, 2026 at the RBI headquarters in Mumbai.
- Chaired the session on "Digital Finance: Emerging Opportunities and Regulatory Challenges" at the BRICS Think-Tank Network for Finance (BTTNF) Inception Conference, organized by the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), on June 1, 2026.
- A speaker at a high-level virtual event as part of the World Bank's April 2026 *South Asia Economic Update*, held on Wednesday, May 6, 2026.
- Was interviewed by CNBC-TV18 following the release of the Minutes of MPC Meeting on April 22, 2026.
- Participated in the ICSSR Foundation Day celebrations on May 12, 2026.
- Visited the United Nations headquarters and held discussions with Mr Navid Hanif, Assistant Secretary General, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), Dr Ligia Noronha, ASG-UNEP, and Mr Amr Nour, Director, Data Innovation and Capacity Branch, DESA during his visit to New York, on May 18-19, 2026.
- Called on Amb. Yojana Patel, Dy Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations, Permanent Mission of India in New York on May 18, 2026.
- Called on Prof Jayathi Murthy, President, Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon US and delivered a Lecture on Building Research Partnerships for Sustainable Development in India on May 20, 2026.
- Delivered a lecture on Opportunities and Challenges for India's Industrial Transformation in the context of a fractured global trading system at the University of Oregon in Eugene, Oregon on May 21, 2026.
- A panellist at the *First Bharat Economic Samvad*, organized by CNBC-Awaaz on May 26, 2026.
- Participated in the Screening Committee meetings (SCM) - [Series 2026], for Recognition of in-house R&D Units (RDI) and SIRO held in DSIR on May 27 and June 30, 2026.
- Participated in the 61st Meeting of the RBI's Monetary Policy Committee during June 2-3, 2026 at the RBI headquarters in Mumbai.
- Attended preparatory meetings organised by the Department of Commerce, Government of India, to review the preparation of the Zero Draft for negotiations with BRICS members ahead of the CGETI Meetings on April 17, 2026 and June 29, 2026.
- Attended the ADBI meeting on Industrial Policy and Productivity Upgrading in Asia: Pathways to Navigate the Middle-Income Trap on June 8, 2026 online.
- Participated in the Meeting of the CII Trade Policy Council on June 18, 2026 at New Delhi.

Satyaki Roy, Associate Professor

- Delivered two lectures at *IDEAS Global Classroom of Advanced Certificate Programme on Research in Political Economy*, organised by International Development Economics Associates (IDEAS), New Delhi on April 23 and 27, 2026.
- Delivered lectures on “*New Technology and Cognitive Labour: Lessons from Past Industrial Revolutions*” and “*End of the Great Divide: Neoliberalism Interiorises 'Informality'*” in the Two-Week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 5 and May 14, 2026 respectively.

Reji K Joseph, Associate Professor

- Presented on “Opportunities and Challenges in CEPA Upgradation: An Indian Perspective’ during the *Korea-India Economic Partnership Dialogue 2026 (KIEP Dialogue 2026)* organised by Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP) Delhi Office on April 21, 2026.
- Delivered a lecture on ‘Understanding Pharmaceutical Industry’, at Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT) during the annual course on *Access to Medicines, TRIPS, and Patents*, jointly organised by the Third World Network (TWN) and the Inter-University Centre for Intellectual Property Rights Studies (CUSAT), Cochin on June 8, 2026.
- Participated in the 2nd BRICS 2026, India (Chair), Contact Group on Economic and Trade Issues (CGETI) meeting, representing ISID as Knowledge Partner, Gandhinagar, Gujarat on May 14-15, 2026.

Shailender Kumar Hooda, Associate Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “Firm Size Dynamics in Indian Manufacturing” at *Annual Economic Fest*, organised by Department of Economics, Shyam Lal College, University of Delhi, New Delhi on April 24, 2026.
- Delivered a lecture on “Large Scale Survey Data: A Guide to Internship around Industrial Statistics” at *Internship Utsav*, organised by Department of Economics, Guru Jambheshwar University of Science & Technology, Hisar on April 30, 2026.
- Delivered a lecture on “Firm Size Dynamics in Indian Manufacturing” in the Two-Week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 16, 2026.

Anjali Tandon, Associate Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “Understanding Energy Transitions: Insights from Production Structure and Technological Change” in the Two-Week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 5, 2026.

Isha Chawla, Consultant

- Participated in the 2nd BRICS 2026, India (Chair), Contact Group on Economic and Trade Issues (CGETI) meeting, representing ISID as Knowledge Partner held at Gandhinagar, Gujarat on May 14-15, 2026.

Mahua Paul, Assistant Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “Use of Time Series and Panel/Spatial Data in Econometrics” in the Two-week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 9, 2026.
- Served as an expert on Interview Panel for MBA (Business Economics) and MBA (Finance) Admissions, held at the Department of Finance and Business Economics, University of Delhi South Campus on April 26-29, 2026.

Internal Research Seminar

Firm Size Dynamics in Indian Manufacturing: Evidence from ASI Data, 2001-2023



Dr Shailender Kumar Hooda made a presentation on “*Firm Size Dynamics in Indian Manufacturing: Evidence from ASI Data, 2001-2023*” at ISID, New Delhi on June 30, 2026. The seminar was chaired by **Prof Aditya Bhattacharjee**, Visiting Professor, ISID.

Session on Awareness and Prevention of Sexual Harassment at the Workplace



The Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) of ISID, organised a session by an external expert, **Dr Supriya Chotani**, on April 13, 2026. The session benefited members of the ISID fraternity by providing insights on appropriate conduct within office premises.

Beena Saraswathy, Assistant Professor

- Participated in the Roundtable on “Critical Minerals Stockpiling”, organised by Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW), New Delhi on June 11, 2026.

Akhilesh Kumar Sharma, Assistant Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “Digitalisation, Technological Change and Small Firms” in the Two-week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 11, 2026.
- Participated in the BRICS SME Working Group Meetings held at Vanijya Bhawan, New Delhi on April 24 and May 26, 2026, and Agra on June 19, 2026. Also in the inaugural BRICS MSME Forum held in Agra on June 19, 2026, organised under the Partnership for the New Industrial Revolution (PartNIR) track of India's BRICS Chairship.

Santosh Kumar Das, Assistant Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “The Rise of Fintechs: Challenges for Development & Regulation” in the Two-week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 7, 2026.

R Rijesh, Assistant Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “Trade and Productivity in Indian Organised Manufacturing: Evidence across Industries and Firms” in the Two-Week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 8, 2026.

Swati Verma, Assistant Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “An Introduction to Corporate Databases: MCA & Prowess-IQ” in the Two-week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 6, 2026.

Ajit Kumar Jha, Assistant Professor

- Presented a paper on “Informality and Labour Subcontracting in Construction: A Case Study of India” in the *5th International Conference on Labour and Employment*, organised by Goa Institute of Management (GIM) on June 4-5, 2026.
- Delivered a lecture on “Construction Sector and Economic Growth in India: An Empirical Analysis” in the Two-Week Capacity Building Program on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 9, 2026.

Sanjaya Kumar Malik, Assistant Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “Sectoral System of Innovation in Developing Countries” in the Two-Week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 6, 2026.

K Seenaiah, Assistant Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “Innovation Policy” in the Two-Week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 9, 2026.

Surya Tewari, Assistant Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “Principle and Practice of Nighttime Light Data” in the Two-Week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 14, 2026.

Ramaa Arun Kumar, Assistant Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “International Trade Data: Concept, Measurement and Database” in the Two-Week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 4, 2026.

Sangeeta Ghosh, Assistant Professor

- Delivered a lecture on “Employment and Labour Markets” in the Two-Week Capacity Building Programme on *Industrial Transformation: Prospects and Challenges*, organised by ISID, New Delhi on May 9, 2026.

ISID & IIT-Indore MoU Signing



Prof Nagesh Kumar, Director, ISID & **Prof Suhas Joshi**, Director, IIT-Indore signing the memorandum of understanding (MoU) on April 24, 2026 for fostering collaborative policy oriented research on innovation, IPRs, clean energy transition and green industrialisation.

ISID PUBLICATIONS

Second EPW Special Issue on Industrial Transformation

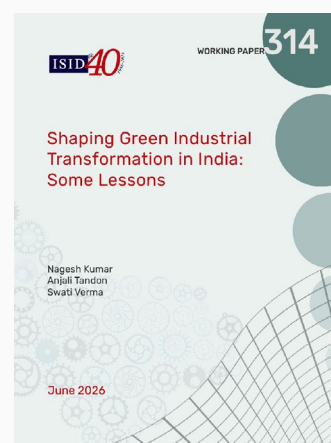
Guest Edited by Nagesh Kumar
April 18, 2026

The contributions in this special issue highlight India's dualistic industrial structure and the challenges arising from it, policy lessons from the evolving regional patterns of manufacturing across the Indian states, market structure and how it affects the enterprise-level and sector investments, growth and environmental degradation.

- Industrialising with a Dualistic Structure, Diverging Regional Patterns, and Environmental Challenges, Nagesh Kumar
- Recent Manufacturing Growth in India: Size and Sectoral Patterns, M Suresh Babu
- Unorganised Manufacturing Enterprises in India: Significance, Heterogeneity, Performance, and Constraints, Rajesh Raj Natarajan, Kunal Sen
- Formal Credit and Persistent Constraints: Revisiting Access to Finance in Indian Enterprises, Mohd Shadab Danish, N R Bhanumurthy
- India's Industrial Archipelago: Uneven Manufacturing Growth in a Services-led Economy, Meenakshi Shekhar, Twinkle Halder
- Identification of Star Firms and Decoding Investment in Intangibles: Evidence from the Indian Manufacturing Industry, Jitamitra Behera, Ruchi Sharma
- Does Competition Spur Investment? Evidence from India's Manufacturing Industries, Harendra Kumar Behera, Pawan Gopalakrishnan and Abhinav Narayanan
- Industrial Growth and Environmental Degradation: Evidence from India's Core Industries, Nivaj Gogoi, Farah Hussain

Working Papers

- Nagesh Kumar, Anjali Tandon, and Swati Verma, [Shaping Green Industrial Transformation in India: Some Lessons](#), WP314, June 2026. (Also published as WIDER Working Paper Series wp-2026-66, World Institute for Development Economic Research (UNU-WIDER), June 2026.)



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- Seenaiiah Kale, Bhushan Praveen Jangam, and Badri Narayan Rath (2026), [Does Innovation Foster Employment in the Case of Emerging Market Economies? The Mediating Role of Knowledge Spillovers](#), *Journal of the Knowledge Economy*, May 21.
- Satyaki Roy, Sonia Sebastian, and Indranil Mukhopadhyay, [Financialisation of Healthcare Sector in India: Emerging Trends in Private Investments and Profits in Healthcare Services](#), O P Jindal Global University Working Paper, June 2026.

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- Nagesh Kumar (2026), [RBI MPC Member Nagesh Kumar Flags Import Dependence, Gulf Remittances, El Nino Risks in Minutes](#), *The Economic Times*, June 19.
- Nagesh Kumar (2026), [RBI May Revise India Growth to Top 7% this year, MPC Member Says](#), Bloomberg.com 25 June
- Nagesh Kumar (2026), [Prioritise Energy Security to Keep Growth Momentum Going](#), *Business Standard*, May 6.
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- T C A Anant (2026), "[A Sharper Lens on Inflation Could Sharpen Our Policy Formulation](#)", *Livemint*, June 17.
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- Satyaki Roy (2026), "[Why Technological Progress isn't Making Us Freer](#)", *The Daily Star, Slow Reads Section*, June 27.
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- Reji K Joseph (2026), "[Will Reforming BITs Revive FDI Inflows](#)", *Financial Express*, June 22.
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- Beena Saraswathy and K S Hari (2026), "[Kerala Budget Bets on Investors, Skills, and Maritime Growth](#)", *Policy Circle*, June 25.
- Beena Saraswathy and K S Hari (2026), "From a Consumer State to a Centre of Innovation Hub", *Mathrubhumi*, June 16.
- Santosh Kumar Das, and Sanjana (2026), "[Why ECLGS 5.0 is Only a Short-Term MSME Lifeline](#)", *Policy Circle*, June 1.

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INTERNSHIPS

The following internships were conducted/completed at ISID over the May to June 2026 period.

Dr Anjali Tandon, Associate Professor

- Tayeena Tabiya, Azim Premji University, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
- Megha Garg, South Asian University, New Delhi

Dr Beena Saraswathy, Assistant Professor

- Abhishek Maity, Ex Employee, IPO Analysis
- Ananya Jijo, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry

Dr Swati Verma, Assistant Professor

- Pratusha Valluru, Centre for East Asian Studies, JNU, New Delhi
- Satyam Vats, Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai, Maharashtra

Dr Ajit Kumar Jha, Assistant Professor

- Anushkka Chatterji, South Asian University, New Delhi
- Kriti Bhagat, B R Ambedkar University, New Delhi

Dr Sanjaya Kumar Malik, Assistant Professor

- Khush Khandelwal, South Asian University, New Delhi

PhD Students Corner

- Shivani Badola, PhD Scholar, ISID, presented a paper (online) titled "Corporate Tax Cuts: Catalyst for Real Investment Stimulus or Mere Profit Windfall?" at the *Seed PGR Conference – World in Flux: Weaving Interdisciplinary Responses to Global Challenges* organised by the University of Manchester on May 28, 2026.
- Sanjana, PhD Scholar, ISID, attended an ICSSR-sponsored Ten-day Research Methodology Course at Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), organised by the Centre for Informal Sector and Labour Studies (CISLS), School of Social Sciences, JNU, New Delhi from April 20 to 29, 2026.

