

QPR - #29, 2025

Progress Report: April to June 2025

This Quarterly Progress Report (QPR) captures the progress of CUTS International Global Affairs, and provides an overview of activities (research and outreach) that have been undertaken. This Report covers the April-June, 2025 (Q29) period.

Your comments/inputs are welcome!

RESEARCH

- 1. **Monthly Brief**: Each month, the Center disseminates a monthly brief, which is a collation of global news stories and opinions with respect to its focus work areas: Trade, Strategic Issues, Energy and Climate, Geo-Politics and Geo-Economics, in the context of Indo-U.S. relations, Indo-Pacific and QUAD with an 'Editor's Note' on a trending and critical issue of the month. (https://bit.ly/32gl0sF)
- 2. **Occasional News Wrap:** A synopsis of news stories and opinions on specific yet trending issues of geo-economic, geo-political and geo-strategic importance has been introduced as ONW. (https://bit.ly/2Xld9oS)

During this quarter, two ONWs were prepared and disseminated.

- a) Elections, Tensions, and Trade in a Shifting Global Order
- b) Africa@G20: Driving Global Progress

- 3. Compendium on Indo-Pacific Perspectives: The compendium "<u>The Innovative Route to Development: Indo-Pacific Perspective</u>" aims to capture the complexity and dynamism of the Indo-Pacific by presenting diverse perspectives from experts and thought leaders. It seeks to explore the multifaceted dimensions of this critical region through a collection of insightful articles spanning four pillars of the CUTS International Global Affairs Centre trade, defence & security, climate, and technology & innovation. This compendium is organised into four broad themes, each of which addresses a critical aspect of the Indo-Pacific's development trajectory.
- 4. **Briefing Paper:** This Paper explores the EU's strategic priorities in this dynamic region. From fostering multilateral cooperation to addressing geopolitical challenges, discover how the EU aims to promote stability, sustainability, and a rules-based order.
 - Navigating The Indo-Pacific: The EU's Strategic Outlook

OUTREACH

- 1. Website: The Center's website is being regularly updated (https://cuts-global.org/index.htm)
- 2. **Email Forum**: 5336 Members and counting....
- 3. Social Media: 587 Followers on <u>Twitter</u>, 854 Followers on <u>LinkedIn</u> and 369 Likes on <u>Facebook Page</u>.
- 4. **CUTS Adda:** 181 subscribers. Interview conducted with Amb. Ashok Kantha, former Indian Ambassador to China on "*China-India Relations Post-Galwan: A New Chapter?*" (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdRDpd4XauhweL h0GSCLsg)

IN MEDIA

- 1. <u>India-U.S. RDP Agreement: A Potential Booster for Indian Defence Exports</u> India's World, June 04, 2025
- 2. <u>India-Pakistan Aftershocks: Five Strategic Reflections to Win the Story</u> The Economic Times, May 26, 2025
- 3. <u>How can India 'Make for the World'? Unlocking its Defence Export Potential</u> The Economic Times, May 07, 2025
- 4. <u>Drones, Deals and Deep Reserves Australia's Indo-Pacific Leverage</u> India's World, April 09, 2025

MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. A list of **International Advisory Board** members can be accessed at (http://bit.ly/2CAJ25H)
- 2. A list of Management Board members can be accessed at (https://bit.ly/2MU2u2j)
- 3. The **past Quarterly Progress Reports** can be downloaded from this link (https://tinyurl.com/45e32xyd)