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Cordially invites you to a talk on

Political Developments in Nepal

**on October 07, 2011 (Friday)
at 10:30 am to 12:30 pm**

India-Nepal Relations

**on October 07, 2011 (Friday)
at 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm**

By

Professor Sangeeta Thapliyal

About the Speaker: Professor Sangeeta Thapliyal teaches Nepal and Bhutan in the Centre for South Asian Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. Her area of specialisation is India's strategic interests in South Asia with a special emphasis on Nepal and Bhutan and Water Security in South Asia. She is the Vice President of the Association of Asian Scholars and Director of South Asia Chapter.

Before joining JNU, Prof. Thapliyal was Head of the Department of Strategic and Regional Studies in Jammu University. Prior to this she has worked as a Research Officer in the Institute for Defence Studies and Analysis on issues related to India's relations with the neighbouring countries especially on Sub- regional Cooperation between India, Nepal, Bangladesh and Bhutan, from 1995 -2000. As a Project and Programme officer with the Delhi Policy Group, New Delhi, from 2000- 2002, she worked on projects related to the issues common to the interests of all the South Asian countries be it social, economic or environment in the project on "Comprehensive Security in South Asia" and "Peace Initiatives in South Asia." She worked as a Research Fellow with the ORF Center for Nepal Studies, Institute for Asian Studies, New Delhi from 2002- 03 where mainly her work included setting up of the Centre on Nepal Studies.

She received international scholarships to work on Nepal. Her work on "Political Discourse in Nepal: From Protest to a New Politics" was sponsored by Asia Scholar, Asian Scholarship Foundation, Bangkok. The study on "Elite Perceptions of India- Nepal Relations: A Socio-Cultural Analysis" was sponsored by B.P. Koirala India-Nepal Foundation. Her other projects were "Resource Exploitation in South Asia" financed by IDSA-ICRIER; "Towards a New Security Paradigm in Nepal and Bhutan," was a Ford Foundation Project done under the auspices of the Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies.

Presently she is working on her book on *Water Security in South Asia: A Regional Approach*.

She has authored a book on *Mutual Security: India- Nepal Relations*, apart from various articles in books and journals. She was the editor of the *Journal Security and Society* published from Jammu University.

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**Prof. N.K. Jha
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