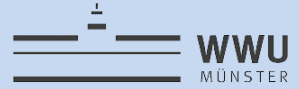




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Indian Navy's Maritime Diplomacy in the Indian Ocean Region

by

Commodore Srikant B. Kesnur, VSM, PhD

Director, Maritime Warfare Centre, Mumbai, and OIC Naval History Project

Chairperson: Dr. Kajari Kamal

Adjunct Faculty Fellow, Takshashila Institution, Bangalore

Date: Friday | 27th May 2022

Time: 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM Indian Standard Time



Commodore Srikant B. Kesnur, an alumnus of National Defense Academy, is a serving navy officer with 36 years of experience in many assignments. He has commanded two frontline warships, served as faculty in prestigious military institutions and done a diplomatic tenure in East Africa. Deeply interested in naval and maritime history, he has been Lead Author/Chief Editor of eleven books/monographs and several journals produced by the Navy. A PhD from Mumbai University, he also holds five other post graduate degrees in sciences and social sciences. He is currently the Director of Maritime Warfare Centre, Mumbai, as also the Officer-in-Charge of the Naval History Project. He was conferred the Vishisht Seva Medal (VSM) in 2021 Presidential Honours for his Distinguished Service.



Dr. Kajari Kamal is Adjunct Faculty Fellow at Takshashila Institution, Bangalore. She has designed the course curriculum and teaches Kautilya's *Arthashastra* through webinars and contact workshops. Her research focuses on the concept of 'strategic culture' in the Indian context. Her PhD dissertation assesses the salience of Kautilyan ideas to better understand India's foreign policy. Dr. Kamal is a regular guest speaker at premier defence institutions like the National Defence College (New Delhi), Naval War College (Goa), Defence Services Staff College (Wellington) and College of Defence Management (Secunderabad). She is a resource person for the Indigenous Historical Knowledge Project of the Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses. She also writes regularly for several online platforms like The Wire, The Print, Observer Research Foundation, MP-IDSA, USI and the Chanakya Forum. Her forthcoming book on Kautilya's *Arthashastra* and Indian Foreign Policy is scheduled for an August 2022 publication.

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