

Note from the Editor

Bringing out the second issue of the CLAWS Journal has been an equally, if not more, challenging task than bringing out the first issue. Hence, it is with great satisfaction that the CLAWS editorial team now presents the second issue of the CLAWS Journal. The fact that this issue has 21 high quality articles only goes to show the excellent response that we have received. The response was truly overwhelming with CLAWS receiving as many as 41 articles for this issue. The editorial team had to leave out a number of equally good articles.

The maiden issue was based on the theme of Counter Terrorism. This issue has 'Asymmetric Warfare' as its central theme. The maiden issue was received well by all. This issue aims to further sensitise the readers about important national security issues as they are evolving. It is also a matter of great privilege for CLAWS that in our very second issue we are carrying three articles by international authors. Rudra Chaudhuri from the Royal United Service Institution (RUSI) has written on the impact that the US Presidential Elections will have on the Indo-US nuclear deal. Brian Cloughley of Australia, a former Defence Attaché in Islamabad, has written on countering Pakistan's internal threats. Christopher Harland from the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) has written on balancing the military utility and humanitarian cost of anti personal mines.

CLAWS has also recently launched its series of occasional papers that were initially named as Kartikeya Papers and have now been rechristened as Manekshaw Papers, issue briefs and policy briefs. The first three Kartikeya Papers have been published alongwith one issue brief. Two more occasional papers and one issue brief are being published shortly. CLAWS invites its readers to contribute to these publications as well.

The next issue of the CLAWS Journal will not have a fixed theme. We invite articles that raise and answer fundamental questions related to conceptual issues regarding land warfare and its allied dimensions.

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Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS)

Membership Details

The Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS) is an autonomous 'think-tank' of the Indian Army. Besides organising conferences and seminars, CLAWS is also engaged in research work and has published several books, which have been very well received by the environment. CLAWS has its own website <http://landwarfareindia.org> which showcases all activities of CLAWS since its inception.

Membership: CLAWS has now opened its membership to individuals, units and formation HQ. The rates of membership approved by the Board of Governors, headed by the VCOAS, are as under: -

- **Individual.**

✦ Annual (Ordinary members)	-	Rs 800/-
✦ Life	-	Rs 4,000/-

- **Units/Formations.**

✦ Annual	-	Rs 1,000/-
✦ Life	-	Rs 6,000/-

Categories of Membership: CLAWS has the following categories of membership:

- **Life Members.**
- **Ordinary Members.** The duration will be for the period from 01 April to 31 March of next year.
- **Corporate Members.** Representative members nominated by name and accepted by the Board of Governors from any organisation, institution or diplomatic mission based in India.
- **Associate Members.** Vice Chancellors of universities and Heads of Departments of Defence Studies; defence correspondents of Indian newspapers, magazines and news agencies, distinguished persons associated with the field of national security and related fields, research fellows and media persons. Approval of the Board of Governors would be required in all such cases.
- **Temporary Members.** Temporary membership may be granted for a period of up to 30 days by Director CLAWS, as per the guidelines laid down by the Executive Council.

Facilities: Members of CLAWS will be invited for all local seminars and conferences in Delhi and other parts of India. The following facilities are available at the CLAWS complex at Delhi Cantt:

- **Journal.** With this inaugural issue, CLAWS has commenced publication of its Journal. It is planned to have three to four issues annually. All members of CLAWS will receive a complimentary copy of the CLAWS Journal.
- **Library.** The number of books in the CLAWS library is approximately 1,000 at present. More books are being gradually acquired.
- **Seminar-cum-Conference Room.** It can accommodate approximately 50 to 60 persons and will be available to members at a nominal cost.
- **Publications.** In addition to Books, CLAWS is planning to publish Monographs, Research Papers, Policy Briefs and Issue Briefs also in the future. CLAWS publications will be made available to members at subsidised/reduced rates.

Application forms have been mailed to all formation HQ and may be downloaded from the website in the future. Applications, along with demand draft for the amount, may be sent to CLAWS at its mailing address.