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2020 ushered in epic challenges with the breaking out of the “once in a century pandemic.” The pandemic altered, restructured and challenged a number of our established notions, our collective global conditioning and various geo-political, geo-strategic and geo-cultural frameworks and narratives.

India, under Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s leadership, has emerged through this civilisational challenge, as a major global player. India’s responsible, calibrated and far-seeing approach was evident when one saw PM Modi becoming the first world leader to insist on need to focus on global health, on the need for a concerted effort to address and tackle such future global health challenges and also for comprehensively re-looking at the narrative and expressions of globalisation.

Addressing world leaders PM Modi argued that globalisation ought to be human centered and not exploitative and exacting. India is clearly emerging as a leader in the pandemic infested and post-pandemic world order. India’s call for recalibrating and reconfiguring globalisation against the backdrop of the pandemic challenge has generated serious debate and has contributed to the global discourse on the need for a new world order. India is well on her way towards achieving great power status by handling the challenges that were repeatedly thrown up in 2020 and by coming up with transformative ideas and policies to address these.

Dr Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation (SPMRF) has continued to maintain its pace of activities and outreach-initiatives on various contemporary issues and policies. A wide array of experts and practitioners - from academia, journalism, diplomacy, public policy, strategic studies etc – participated in the SPMRF’s activities and have enriched and added on to the corpus of knowledge that the think-tank has succeeded in producing in the last few years. A number of papers, articles and booklets on a wide variety of issues were produced and a large number of experts spoke at various seminars, round-tables and conferences organised by SPMRF.

Topics such as National Education Policy, Atmanirbhar Bharat, India and Indo-Pacific, India-China relations, India’s fight against Covid, reclaiming cultural space and much more were focused upon and discussed. A series of special lectures saw a number of senior ministers, leaders and Members of Parliament speak on issues of contemporary importance. The SPMRF special address series also gained popularity and saw wide-connect from across the country.

SPMRF has also formed working groups of well-known domain experts to focus and generate knowledge, positions, activities in areas such as: technological sovereignty, Act-
East and Northeast, Water, Defence etc. These working groups have regularly met, produced position papers, convened conferences and continue to be actively engaged by the Foundation. Each working group is headed by a senior expert who has made a major contribution in their field of expertise.

Two major international conferences were organised by SPMRF in 2020. In January 2021 the Ganga-Volga Dialogue was organised in collaboration with the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Government of India. Senior Russian Indologists, public policy experts and academics participated in the conference held at New Delhi. A delegation of senior Indian experts representing SPMRF took part in the deliberations. The conference saw serious discussions on a wide variety of issues – cultural, economic, educational – with a view to enhance and re-lay India-Russia relationship in the present context. The second international conference that SPMRF organised in 2020, was to commemorate twenty years of the Mekong-Ganga Cooperation. A wide range of experts from the Mekong-Ganga Cooperation countries participated in the conference which saw detailed discussion on this crucial initiative.

SPMRF has consistently figured in the Global Think Tank Index as the leading think tank in India in the political think-tank category and has ranked among the top such forty think tanks globally. This has been possible because of the dedication of a small team and large group of experts who have engaged with the Foundation over the years.

Furthering its consistent aim to promote and articulate the nationalist narrative, of projecting India’s national interest and generating new narratives and discourse, SPMRF shall continue to persist and strive. In this it has received support from a wide section of the intelligentsia and the senior leadership of the Bharatiya Janata Party. We look forward to achieving more and to widen our gaze and action in the current year and in the times ahead.

Dr. Anirban Ganguly
Director, SPMRF
Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation (SPMRF) has emerged as a forum which facilitates the convergence of ideas, positions and visions that aspire to strengthen the nation and preserve her unity and integrity and contribute towards her progress and integral development.

Committed to the nationalist ideological vision and thoughts of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee and Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay, SPMRF strives to strengthen and to uphold issues and positions in tune with India’s national interest. It aims to identify the multifarious challenges before the nation and the people and attempts to bring about a greater awareness of these among a wider cross-section of our people. It aims to do this through analysing, examining and studying, not only the present context of the challenges, but also their historical and civilisational backdrop. The principal area of the Foundation’s focus is to create an intellectual ambience where nationalist thought and nationalism can find free expression. Through research, publications, advocacy, debates, discussions and roundtables, the Foundation aims to highlight issues that are crucial in the national interest. A wide number of experts have, over a period, lent their support, expertise and insight to such an effort. National resurgence, cultural rejuvenation, national integration and national self-reliance are the ideals which SPMRF espouses and strives to work for.

SPMRF provides a platform for experts, practitioners, academics and other opinion makers to come together and exchange ideas, evolve positions on a wide range of issues facing the nation with the objective of educating a wider public opinion. In order to encourage the study and dissemination of the work and legacy of Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee – educationist, statesman and founder of the Bharatiya Jan Sangh, the mother political organisation of the Bharatiya Janata Party – SPMRF has also undertaken research on his life and work by bringing out new facets which can inspire youth to dedicate themselves for national progress and for working to uphold and sustain the grand vision of “One India” and “Great India.”

It is to realise this vision of national cohesion, unity and oneness that SPMRF invites all to make a positive effort and to contribute their best thoughts and achievements that may lead India to greater pinnacles of glory and strength.

Objectives
- Mobilize expertise and ideas to influence the policy making process.
- Advancing the cause of good governance, national security and international peace.
- Creating partnerships among research-based institutions in-order to individually and collectively develop evidence-based solutions to the pressing developmental needs of India.
- Reach out to all stakeholders and economic catalyst such as public and private sectors, media, etc.) for coordinated interventions;
- Develop a database/resource center related to think tanks internationally so as to identify comparative advantages.
- Promote a platform of collaboration between political leaders and experts from various sectors for effective implementation of development strategies at the country level.
Hosting H.E. Edgars Rinkēvičs (Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia) for special address on “India-Latvia Relations in a Changing World” at New Delhi

14 January, 2020
Interaction with

Delegation of Members of Parliament from Republic of Korea

20 January, 2020
Ganga – Volga Dialogue of Civilizations organised by Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation in association with Ministry of External Affairs at Pravasi Bharatiya Kendra, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi

22 January, 2020
International Webinar on

“Vision of #ActEast & 20 Years of #Mekong-Ganga Cooperation (MGC)”

Date: Monday, 20th July 2020
Activities

Discussion on  
“CAA: Constitutionality & Future of West Bengal” at Sonakhali, South 24pgs, West Bengal  
26 January, 2020

Dr. Anirban Ganguly (Director, SPMRF) addressed on “CAA: The Future Roadmap of West Bengal” at Contai, Midnapore, West Bengal  
31 January, 2020
Dr. Anirban Ganguly (Director, SPMRF) delivered Inaugural Address at Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Chair- National Level Symposium on “Unearthing Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya’s Economic and Political Ideologies” at Alagappa University, Karaikudi, Tamil Nadu  
11 February, 2020

Dr. Anirban Ganguly (Director, SPMRF) delivered Special Address on “Emergence of Civilisational India: achievements & challenges” at Madurai, Tamil Nadu organised by Swadeshi Jagaran Manch, Madurai  
11 February, 2020
Activities

Discussion on

“CAA: West Bengal’s Future & India’s Resurgence” at Nabadwip, Nadia, West Bengal

Discussion with Economists, Columnists & Writers on #IndiaFightsCorona

Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee
Research Foundation

Anant Vijay
COVID-19 and Fake News

Kishore Desai
COVID-19 and Economic scenario

Harshvardhan Tripathi
COVID-19 and Modi Government’s Welfare Measures

#IndiaFightsCorona

12 January, 2020

10 April, 2020
Interaction with Writers & Columnists on COVID 19 issues  
11 April, 2020

Interaction with Writers & Columnists on COVID 19 issues

Interaction with young Academics & Intellectuals from West Bengal  
16 April, 2020

Interaction with young Academics & Intellectuals from West Bengal

Discussion on

Ambedkar Jayanti, Bangla New Year (Poila Boisakh) and the social-cultural future of West Bengal  
14 April, 2020

Ambedkar Jayanti, Bangla New Year (Poila Boisakh) and the social-cultural future of West Bengal

Interactions with Academics & Intellectuals from West Bengal
A Talk on 21 April, 2020

“COVID 19 and the current situation in West Bengal” #IndiaFightsCorona

Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation & Jana Adhikar Mancha

A Talk on Covid-19 and the current situation in West Bengal

Dr. Indranil Khan MD
Medical Oncologist, AMRI Hospital, Dhakuria, West Bengal

Dr. Madhuchanda Kar MD
Director, Clinical Oncology Department, Peerless Hospital, Kolkata, West Bengal

#IndiaFightsCorona

A Talk on 22 April, 2020

“A Fighting COVID-19 – Southeast Asian Initiative: South Korean Experience” #IndiaFightsCorona

Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation

A Talk on Fighting COVID-19 - Southeast Asian Initiative: South Korean Experience

Amb. Vishnu Prakash
Former Ambassador of India to Canada & South Korea

Mr. YOO CHANG-HO
Minister-counselor For Political Affairs, Korean Embassy in India (New Delhi)

#IndiaFightsCorona
Discussion on

“Challenge of COVID19 & understanding the situation in West Bengal” #IndiaFightsCorona

23 April, 2020

A Talk on

Challenge of COVID19 & understanding the situation in West Bengal

Shri Ranjit Pachnanda
Former Commissioner of Police, Kolkata & Chairman, Haryana Public Service Commission

Shri M L Meena
Former Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal

Dr. Indranil Khan MD
Medical Oncologist, AMRI Hospital, Dhakuria, West Bengal

Discussion on book

01 May, 2020

“Disaster Relief & The RSS” in the context of Fight against Corona #IndiaFightsCorona

01 May, 2020
Discussion on 02 May, 2020

“Politics of Pandemic in West Bengal”
#IndiaFightsCorona

Discussion on 07 May, 2020

“Challenges faced by Kerala’s Traditional Labourers, in the wake of COVID & way forward-Social, Economic, Political Aspects” #IndiaFightsCorona
Discussion on 09 May, 2020

“Pakistan’s perfidy in Kashmir: promoting terrorism in times of Corona” #IndiaFightsCorona

Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation

A Discussion on

Pakistan's perfidy in Kashmir: promoting terrorism in times of Corona

Lt. Gen Satish Dua (Retd), PVSM, UYSM, SM, VSM

Former Corps Commander in Kashmir & Former Chief of Integrated Defence Staff

Discussion on 13 May, 2020

“The Role of China and the Emerging Global Order post COVID19” #IndiaFightsCorona

Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation

A Discussion via video conference on

The Role of China and the Emerging Global Order post Covid 19

by

Shri Jayadeva Ranade
Former Additional Secretary, RILAN & Chairman, Centre for China Study & Analysis

Prof. Harsh V. Pant
Director (Studies) & Head, Strategic Studies Programme, Observer Research Foundation
A Talk on

“India, Indo-Pacific & the evolving situation post COVID19 #IndiaFightsCorona

14 May, 2020

Discussion on

“श्रम कानून में हुए बदलाव की जरूरत” विषय पर परिचय

15 May, 2020
Discussion on 17 May, 2020
“Analysing the Fight Against COVID19 in West Bengal” #IndiaFightsCorona

A Talk on 27 May, 2020
“COVID-19: Present Challenges & Future Changes” by Shri Bhupender Yadav (National General Secretary, BJP & Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha) #IndiaFightsCorona
Discussion on
“Towards New India, Towards Purvoday & West Bengal’s Future”

31 May, 2020

Discussion on
“Resurgent Bengal: Opportunities & Challenges”

03 June, 2020
Discussion on

The Report on Anti CAA Violence in West Bengal

04 June, 2020

Discussion on

“Reconstruction of West Bengal”

06 June, 2020
“आत्मनिर्भर भारत और परंपरा” विषय पर परिचय

08 June, 2020

Discussion on

“Resurgent West Bengal: Roadmap for North Bengal”

11 June, 2020
Discussion on 13 June, 2020

“Sixteen Stormy Days: The Saga of the First Amendment to the Constitution of India”

Discussion on 15 June, 2020

“Endurance of the Temple: Revisiting the History of Kashi Vishwanath Temple & Ongoing Kashi Vishwanath Corridor Project”

#KashiVishwanathCorridor
Discussion on  

“Resurgent West Bengal: Roadmap for North Bengal”

16 June 2020

Discussion on  

“Creation of West Bengal: Historical Perspective & Present Challenges” #WestBengalDay

20 June, 2020
Activities

SPMRF Suraksha Samwad

25 June, 2020

Discussion on

“Resurgent West Bengal: Roadmap for North Bengal”

07 July, 2020
Discussion on  
“Narrative of AatmaNirbhar Bharat & Swadeshi in Bengal’s Imagination (perspectives from philosophy, history, literature)”

Discussion on  
“Failure of Communism in India (a contemporary perspective)”
Discussion on the book 28 July, 2020

“India Automated: How the Fourth Industrial Revolution is Transforming India”

Discussion on 01 August, 2020

“Abrogation of Article 370 and The Beginning of New Era in J&K and Ladakh”
Discussion on  

"Ram Mandir & Sri Ram in the Consciousness of Bengal"

Interaction with  

Australian High Commissioner in India  
H.E. Barry O’Farrell AO had a detailed web interaction with Director, SPMRF
E-Dialogue on  
10 August, 2020

“Contribution of Matua Samaj in the Resurgence of West Bengal”

Discussion on  
12 August, 2020

“New Education Policy: Changes & Challenges”
#AatmaNirbharBharat
Discussion on  

“AatmaNirbhar Bharat & National Education Policy 2020: Dream of a New India” #AatmaNirbharBharat

13 August, 2020

Discussion on  

“National Education Policy 2020: In The Light of New India”

20 August, 2020
Talk on 21 August, 2020
“Understanding the National Education Policy 2020”#Aatmanirbhar Bharat

Discussion on 23 August, 2020
“Aatmanirbhar Bharat: The Vision of the Future in Shri Narendra Modi’s Independence Day Speech 2020”
E-Discussion on
“AatmaNirbhar Bharat: RaiSaheb Panchanan Barma”
14 September, 2020

Discussion on
“New Education Policy 2020” #NEP2020
15 September, 2020
Discussion on “Jananayaka Narendra Modi and #NewIndia”

17 September, 2020

Discussion on “Dr Syama Prasad Mookerjee’s Struggle & Narendra Modi’s Sankalp: CAA”

20 September, 2020
On the Occasion of Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya’s 104th Birth Anniversary

Discussion on “Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya: Philosopher of Integral Humanism”

25 September, 2020

Webinar Series on

“Towards the Creation of AatmaNirbhar Krishi Sector: an Analysis of the New Agrarian Policy”

04 October, 2020
Discussion on 28 November, 2020

“Why is the Development & Security of West Bengal’s Border Districts Important for India’s National Security” at Bangaon, West Bengal

On the Occasion of Constitution Day, 26th November 2020
Discussion on “The Ideals of the Indian Constitution & the present state of West Bengal” at Kalyani, West Bengal 28 November, 2020
Discussion on 15 December, 2020

“Sankalpa of #SonarBangla & the movement towards #AatmaNirbharBharat” at Bishnupur, West Bengal

Discussion on 15 December, 2020

“Sankalpa of #SonarBangla & the movement towards #AatmaNirbharBharat” at Bankura, West Bengal
Activities

Discussion on 17 December, 2020

“#SonarBangla – vision & sankalpa & the present situation in #WestBengal” at Habra (North 24 Parganas), West Bengal

Discussion on 17 December, 2020

“#SonarBangla – vision & sankalpa & the present situation in #WestBengal” at Ashok Nagar, West Bengal
Special Talk on

“CAA: Historicity & Necessity” by Shri B L Santhosh
(National General Secretary (Organisation), BJP)

30 January, 2020
Special Address on 22 February, 2020

“Why the Anti-CAA Protesters are Wrong” by Amb Kanwal Sibal (Former Foreign Secretary)

Special Address on 22 May, 2020

“AatmaNirbharBharat: Vision & Action” by Shri B L Santhosh (National General Secretary (Org), BJP)

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Special Address on

#AatmaNirbharBharat Vision & Action

by

Shri B L Santhosh
National General Secretary (Org), BJP
Special Address by

Prof. Tathagata Roy, Hon’ble Governor of Meghalaya on “Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee: a Life in the Service of Mother India”

23 June, 2020

“भाजपा: सेवा का संकल्प और राष्ट्र प्रथम की भावना” विषय पर परिचय

26 June, 2020
Activities

09 July, 2020

#BankimChandraChattopadhyayMemorialOration on

“Vision of Aatma Nirbhar Bharat in the Bengal Renaissance: Perspective from History & Literature” by Prof. Bibek Debroy, Chairman, EAC-PM

14 August, 2020

Special Talk on

“National Education Policy 2020: New Education Vision for New India” by Prof. M.K. Sridhar (Member, National Education Policy Draft Committee & Former Dean, Department of Management Studies at Bangalore University)
Special Talk on  
08 September, 2020

“The Tribals of Rarh Bangla: Four Decades of Deprivation and the Dream of a New Future”

Special Address on  
11 September, 2020

“Aatmanirbhar Bharat: its vision & dimensions”
by Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman, Union Minister of Finance & Corporate Affairs
Special Address on
“AatmaNirbhar Bharat & West Bengal”

19 September, 2020

Special Webinar on
“Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s Vision & Action for New India”

20 September, 2020
Special Webinar on

“Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s Vision & Action for New India”

22 September, 2020

Special Address on

“Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s Vision & Action for New India”

24 September, 2020
Activities

Special Address on

“Reforming the Farm Sector: AatmaNirbhar Krishi”
by Prof. Bibek Debroy (Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister of India)

15 October, 2020

Special Talk on

“Untold Stories From The Indian Army: India’s Bravehearts” by Lt. Gen Satish Dua (Retd), PVSM, UYSM, SM, VSM

23 December, 2020
**Release of Report**

**10 October, 2020**

“Socio-economic Revival of West Bengal: Time for a ‘One District, One Product’ Initiative” by Shri Shivprakash (National Joint General Secretary, Organisation), BJP

**11 December, 2020**

“A Connectivity Vision for West Bengal: Action Agenda for a Logistics Masterplan” by Shri M L Meena (IAS) Retd (Former Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal & Former Director General, CAPART)
The website had been launched in Hindi and English language by BJP National President Sh. Amit Shah ji at National Writers Meet on 30th July 2016.

On Nationalistonline Hindi web-portal, the total number of articles uploaded in 2020 : 386.

On Nationalistonline English web-portal, the total (overall) number of articles uploaded is 17.
"The Nationalist" is a well circulated e-journal of the Foundation since February 2015 with ISBN No. 2454-9401.

It has now 63 issues upto December 2020 in which numerous research based articles have been contributed by several renowned authors.

It is subscribed by 13500 readers and received by them via email.

On the foundation's website ‘The Nationalist’ has 15,000 monthly views & clicks.
Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee Resource Centre is one of the few resource centres in India to archive some of the most iconic events of Jan Sangh. The resource centre houses pictorial history of Jan Sangh and eminent political leaders of Bharatiya Jan Sangh. There is a separate resource section for Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee’s speeches and videos covering some of the major political milestones and his Parliamentary debates. Some of the in-house resource material comprise his writings on political ideological stance and his views on education, politics, industry and trade. The resource centre is a hub for many research scholars and current political leaders of India, for accessing political historical data. The centre has an e-resource bank, for research scholars and policy makers to access SPMRF’s annual reports, books, journals, articles, occasional papers, working papers, booklets and other publications. The resource centre has a growing collection of journals, books primarily in the areas of international relations/diplomacy, Indian Politics, economic studies, media, civilizational and cultural studies.
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Prof. Bibek Debroy
Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister of India

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Removing Shackles: Freeing up the Indian Agriculture
Prof. Bibek Debroy
Aditya Sinha

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Swasth Bharat Sustho Bangla
Dr. Indranil Khan
Dr. Madhuchanda Kar
Prof. Gobardhan Das
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WHY FARM REFORMS ARE NECESSARY FOR INDIA
THE 25 KEY POINTS IN SUPPORT OF AGRICULTURE REFORMS
Pathikrit Payne

Report

2nd Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay Memorial Oration

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FULL TEXT OF THE LETTER OF RESIGNATION
DATED 9TH OCTOBER 1950 OF JOGENDRA NATH MANDAL,
MINISTER FOR LAW AND LABOUR, GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN,
ADDRESSED TO LIAQUAT ALI KHAN,
PRIME MINISTER OF PAKISTAN

A ROADMAP FOR THE REVIVAL OF SERVICE SECTORS IN WEST BENGAL

Dipankar Sengupta

Simultaneous Elections (One Nation One Election)

Brief Note on The “What”, the “Why” and the “How” of Simultaneous Elections

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Reports

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Reclaiming & Decongesting Temples
Revisiting the History of Kashi Vishwanath Temple, Varanasi
by
Shri Mahesh Madhav Gogate
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Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies,
Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan

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Handling of COVID19 in ASEAN & Southeast Asia
by
Vinayak Sharma

Amendment Acts passed during the first Parliament session of Modi 2.0
17th June to 7th August 2019

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How the Perilous Political Culture of Anti-Industry Agitation Forced the Rural Indian to become a Migrant Labour
by
Pathikrit Payne
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Forced to Flee: Voices of the Persecuted

Constitutionality Of The Citizenship Amendment Act, 2019 and Why It Was Essential
India's Policy of Zero Tolerance Towards Terrorism

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The Return of India's Stolen Heritage

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Revisiting the History of Kashi Vishwanath Temple, Varanasi

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PODCAST

Towards an AatmaNirbhar Economy

Shri Bimal Shankar Nanda
Associate Professor, Charuchandra College,
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Saturday, 27 September, 2020

India-EU Relations

Amb Manjeev Singh Puri
Former Ambassador of India to European Union & Nepal

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Senior Fellow, Nehru Memorial Museum & Library

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SPMRF Ranked Top Think-Tank in India with a Political Party Affiliation

Wharton Business School’s Lauder Institute released the 2020 Global Go To Think Tank Index (GGTTTI) report featuring Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee Research Foundation (SPMRF) as the top ranked politically affiliated think tank in India. The Global Go To Think Tank Index placed SPMRF at 30th position in Global Best Think Tanks with Political Party Affiliation category. SPMRF has steadily improved positions from 34th in 2016 and has been ranked the top think tank in India with a political party affiliation since then.

In 2008, The Joseph H. Lauder Institute of Wharton Business School came up with the first comprehensive ranking of the world’s top think tanks under its Thinktank and Civil Societies Program (TTCSP), often referred to as the “think tanks’ think tank”. It has since been described as an ‘insider’s guide to marketplace for ideas.’

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-Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee
Convocation Address delivered at Gurukul Kangri Viswavidyalaya, Haridwar, 1943