



It gives a great pride to present before you January-March 2015 issue of The Discussant. With this issue we enter the third year of regular publication as an RNI registered quarterly periodical. We had received the ISSN accreditation a year earlier. In this time and era when publication industry is increasingly coming to be controlled by corporate bodies, it's no mean achievement for a think tank, still in the state of impoverished infancy, to have managed to publish the journal regularly.

Towards this end I am greatly indebted to the body of intellectuals and well-wishers,

who have always been forthcoming with their support both intellectually and financially. It's their love and patronage which gives us the strength to move on. I am happy to share with you that our online edition is crossing new frontiers and getting accessed from new territories, which gives our writers a global

exposure unthinkable for any journal of our vintage. This edition is extra-ordinary for contributions by three very eminent intellectuals viz. Professor Mahendra Prasad Singh, Shri Shakti Sinha and Dr Rajiv R Thakur. Their contribution on areas as varied as Indian politics, South Asia and Sustainable Development would go a long way in helping the students and researchers working in these areas.

As mentioned on the cover, this issue is dedicated to the giant among the Indian political scientists, Professor Rajni Kothari. This issue carries public, personal and media obituaries to Prof Kothari.

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**Dedicated to Rajni Kothari**

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With Warm Regards,

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