

ABSTRACT

Security is one of the main concepts in the study of international relations. The thesis “Politics of Security in the Indo-Pacific region: An Assessment of the Geopolitical Strategies of the United States and India since 2017” is an attempt to analyse the security dynamics of the Indo-Pacific region. The study explains the rising significance of the region, along with the presence of many players that makes Indo-Pacific vulnerable to the changing dynamics of conflict and collaboration. The thesis traces the narratives surrounding the Indo-Pacific and the quest for securitizing the region. The focus of the research is to understand relations between India and the United States, and the emerging security architecture in the region, mapping how partnerships and rivalries are being configured in the Indo-Pacific. It explains key drivers and imperatives in the region- the complex equations among the Southeast Asian states, the role of China and its impact, and the emergence of the Quad. While highlighting upon the security perspectives of India and United States, the study analyses their role in shaping the security architecture of the region.