groups of students represent Chinese and Filipino officials who come together to discuss the territorial dispute. One student may play the role of Romulo while others act as representatives of ASEAN. The point is that case discussion can take the treatment of geopolitical issues into new areas of relevance where the question of "what difference does it make?" is directly addressed. The student groups are engaged in what advocates of collaborative education identify as "discretionary tasks," efforts aimed at deriving a decision for which there is no predetermined right or wrong answer.<sup>7</sup> The group work is an exercise in "shared inquiry" in which the facilitator and students work together in the analysis of the issue and formulating recommended resolutions.8

With the recent and continuing emphasis at all levels of education on active learning, cases provide an ideal context for enlivening classrooms, developing collaborative skills, and honing analytical prowess. Alfred North Whitehead characterized active learning as "knowledge united with action." Using cases insures that students are intimately involved with the materials at hand in a way that insures significant engagement with the issues and not merely as passive receptacles for dispensed wisdom.

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### **Indian Politics on the Internet**

#### A Resource Guide

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he Internet, opening vast amounts of information and providing immediate access to unfolding events, is increasingly important for research in the study of politics in South Asia. Internet sites supplement traditional "hard copy" sources in a variety of ways, but they also provide bibliographic access to "hard copy" sources. We may now access on-line library catalogues throughout the world, enabling us to locate a book or track down an elusive title or reference. Where once we dug into the volumes of various guides to periodical literature, we may now search for articles published in journals and periodicals by such on-line sources as Public Affairs Information Service International (PAIS International) and Social Sciences Abstracts. These, however, are "proprietory" Internet services, available only through subscribing libraries.

More general on-line bibliographic indices, using key words to zero in on topics relating to Indian politics, remain essential, but the annual *Bibliography of Asian Studies*, published by the Association for Asian Studies since 1956, is a superb resource for books and scholarly articles on India and

is now available on-line in subscribing libraries (URL below).

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India: Government and Politics in a Developing Nation was first published in 1970. In the first five editions, it included a "Research Guide," with extensive lists of bibliographies, reference works, journals, newspapers, and political party periodicals. Rapidly changing information technology, the development of the Internet and the World Wide Web, and availability of on-line indices and Internet search engines have enormously expanded research capabilities and access to sources. Thus, Hardgrave and Kochanek, in preparing the sixth edition, decided to provide, in place of the earlier "Research Guide," a new feature for the text, a guide to Internet sources for the study of Indian politics.

#### ESSAYS

#### INDIAN POLITICS ON THE INTERNET A RESOURCE GUIDE

I. GENERAL SITES FOR INFORMATION AND LINKS ON INDIA; SEARCH ENGINES



AsiaSource, a major on-line resource from the Asia Society: http://www.asiasource.org

Bibliography of Asian Studies: http://bas.umdl.umich.edu/b/bas/ South Asia Network/SAARC - South Asian Search Engine. Links to hundreds of Indian Web sites: http://southasia.net/

Hindustan: Search India. Search engine for India on the Web. http://www.hindustan.net/

South Asian Milan - search engine: http://www.samilan.com/ India World: daily news, features, links, and search engine: http://www.indiaworld.co.in/

Sanam's: extensive links to Indian newspapers and news groups and links to Indian search engines:

http://www.concentric.net/~sarves/indnews.htm



ASNIC "India": Asian Studies Network Information Center at the University of Texas at Austin. Excellent links to major Web sites. See especially "Government and Politics."

http://asnic.utexas.edu/asnic/countries/india/index.html

Kennedy School of Government South Asian Caucus (Harvard); data base, links, etc.: http://ksgwww.harvard.edu/~sasian/

Columbia University, South Asia Resource access on the Internet (SARAI): http://www.columbia.edu/cu/libraries/indiv/area/sarai

Asian Studies WWW Virtual Library: Major resource for India links: http://coombs.anu.edu.au/WWWVL-AsianStudies.html

India Informatics Centre: http://www.nic.in/

WWW Virtual Library: India:

http://webhead.com/WWWVL/India/india207.html



India Network: http://www.indnet.org/

India on the Net (extensive information and links):

http://www.allindia.com/

South Asia Resources, University of Virginia network: http://www.lib.virginia.edu/area-studies/SouthAsia/southAsia.html

Center for the Advanced Study of India, University of Pennsylvania: http://www.sas.upenn.edu/casi/

H-ASIA, Asia-Pacific Network: http://www.h-net.msu.edu/~asia/

#### II. GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Political structure (ASNIC):

http://asnic.utexas.edu/asnic/countries/india/InPoliticalstru.html

Government and politics (ASNIC):

http://asnic.utexas.edu/asnic/countries/india/index.html

Constitution of India, text and index: http://alfa.nic.in/const/a1.html

Government of India, ministries and departments:

http://www.nic.in/ug.htm

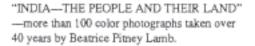


Indian Parliament: http://alfa.nic.in/

States and Union Territories: http://www.nic.in/staeut.htm Election Commission of India: http://www.eci.gov.in/

#### MUSEUM QUALITY EXHIBITS

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Also-Smaller portable (sent by mail) exhibit, videocassettes (including biographical documentaries of Gandhi), and other resources available for loan.

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Washington, D.C. 20016-(301) 229-3871

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#### III. PARTIES, POLITICS, AND ELECTIONS



Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), official Website: http://www.bjp.org/



Indian National Congress, official Website: http://indiancongress.org/



India World, public opinion polls: http://indiavotes.com/

#### IV. ISSUES AND INTERESTS

Women: SAWNET (South Asian Women's NETwork): http://www.umiacs.umd.edu/users/sawweb/sawnet/index.html

Women: Journal of South Asian Women Studies: http://www.asiatica.org/publications/jsaws/



Women: Manushi: A Journal about Women and Society:

http://www.freespeech.org/manushi/

Human Rights: http://indianculture.miningco.com/msub4.htm

Kashmir: Kashmir Virtual Library:

http://www.clas.ufl.edu/users/gthursby/kashmir



South Asian Diaspora:

http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/SSEAL/SouthAsia/diaspora.html

#### V. FOREIGN POLICY, MILITARY AND SECURITY



Bharat Rakshak, Consortium of Indian Military Websites: http://www.bharat-rakshak.com/

South Asia Analysis Group (SAAG), analyses of foreign policy and security issues by retired senior Indian government officials: http://www.saag.org/

Stimson Center, South Asia security "think tank": http://www.stimson.org/cbm/sa/saif.htm

## VI. MEDIA: NEWSPAPERS, NEWS MAGAZINES, AND RADIO-TELEVISION

#### **Leading Newspapers in India:**

*The Times of India* (Mumbai, New Delhi): http://www.timesofindia.com/

The Hindu (Chennai): http://www.hinduon-line.com/ or http://www.indiaserver.com/thehindu/thehindu.html

*The Hindustan Times* (New Delhi): http://www.hindustantimes.com/

*The Indian Express* (numerous editions): http://www.expressindia.com/

The Statesman (Calcutta): http://www.thestatesman.org/

The Telegraph (Calcutta): http://telegraphindia.com/

The Deccan Herald (Bangalore): http://www.deccanherald.com/

The Pioneer (New Delhi): http://www.the-pioneer.com/

The Asian Age (numerous editions): http://www.asianage.com/

The Economic Times (Mumbai): http://www.economictimes.com/

#### **News Magazines and Periodicals:**

India Abroad (New York, weekly): http://www.indiaabroad.com/
India Today (New Delhi, weekly): http://www.india-today.com/
Frontline (Chennai, biweekly, published by The Hindu):
http://www.the-hindu.com/fline/index.htm

Outlook (New Delhi, weekly): http://www.outlookindia.com/



The Week (Kochi, Kerala): http://the-week.com/

Far Eastern Economic Review (Hong Kong, weekly): http://www.feer.com/

#### Other mass media and services:

Doordarshan, Indian television: http://www.ddindia.net/

Press Information Bureau, GOI: http://www.nic.in/India-Image/PIB/

Samachar, India news service: http://www.samachar.com/

#### VII. JOURNALS ON-LINE

BASAS Bulletin, British Association for South Asian Studies: http://www.brad.ac.uk/acad/ses/basasb26.html



SAGAR: South Asia Graduate Research Journal: http://asnic.utexas.edu/asnic/sagar/sagar.main.html

Note on citation: There is no consensus on the best method for citing Internet materials, but Andrew Harnack and Gene Kleppinger provide a useful guide in *Beyond the MLA Handbook: Documenting Electronic Sources on the Internet*:

http://falcon.eku.edu/honors/beyond-mla/

For a list of Web sites on citation, see: http://dir.vahoo.com/Social\_Science/Lingui

http://dir.yahoo.com/Social\_Science/Linguistics\_and\_Human\_Languages/Languages/Specific\_Languages/English/Grammar\_\_Usage\_and\_Style/Citation/Internet\_Citation/

#### INDIA UPDATE: NEW WEB SITES



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