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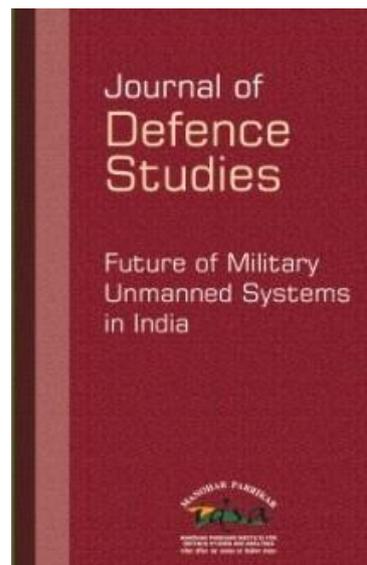
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Unmanned Systems for use on Land, Air and Sea, including surface and sub-surface systems are being extensively researched and deployed for various applications across the world. In the defence sector, Unmanned Ground Vehicles (UGV) are being developed to carry out multiple missions like reconnaissance, detection of threats, combat operations, acquisition of targets, delivery of supplies and medication in remote areas, mine clearance and rescue operations. The research on Unmanned Surface Vehicles (USV), Remotely Operated Vehicles (ROV), and Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (AUV) of maritime unmanned systems (MUS) has also gained momentum with Navies across the world. Similarly, Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS), commonly denoted as Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV), Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) and Drones have gained importance in both civil and military uses. However, the present thrust is primarily on the aerial use of Drones like Advanced Air Mobility, Urban Air Mobility, Transportation and Logistics, formulation of next-generation Unmanned Traffic Management (UTM) and enabling regulations for managing the ever-increasing air traffic for both manned and unmanned aircraft.



Through the 'Make in India' initiative, the Government of India is promoting self-reliance in the defence sector, focusing on Indigenous Design, Development and Manufacture. In this scenario, all three Services are planning to exploit unmanned systems as Force Multipliers, which is evident from various capital and emergency procurements underway.

Considering the evolving technological disruptions and challenges, futuristic Defence Unmanned Ground Vehicles (UGV), Maritime Unmanned Systems (MUS) and Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) along with Counter-UAS and Swarm Drones are the areas to be researched upon with focus on 'Make in India' and the government policies. There is an inescapable need of framing policy regulations and doctrines for optimal use of unmanned systems. Keeping these issues into consideration, the *Journal of Defence Studies* intends to bring out a special issue on "Future of Military Unmanned Systems in India" and is inviting contributions for the same.

Topics of Interest

- Military Drones on Land, Sea and Air
- Counter-measures for Drones and Drone Swarms
- Challenges to Indigenisation of Drone/Counter Drone Technology
- Certification and Quality Control Requirements
- Airspace Management
- HR Issues of Military Drone Specialists
- Policy Regulations and Doctrines for Optimal Use of Military Drones

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