

# INVITED LECTURE

## ON CULTURES OF INTELLIGENCE: AN INTRODUCTION TO INTELLIGENCE STUDIES

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### **VENUE**

**Lecture Hall III ,  
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### **ABSTRACT**

The lecture aims to introduce the students to the academic discipline of Intelligence Studies. It will encompass the meaning/meanings of the term 'intelligence', its role in policymaking, and the ways in which it can be studied. Given that this is an introductory lecture to familiarise the students with the topic of intelligence and debunk many of the commonly held myths developed through popular media and literature, I will be using culture as a variable to show how different countries view intelligence differently and how such differences create variations in policies. Just as culture has an impact on public policy, national cultures affect intelligence too. Through this exposition, I shall acquaint the students to the various purposes intelligence serves in policymaking in different cultural settings. This will lay the groundwork to wrap up the lecture by introducing the various approaches to study intelligence that gives the domain an interdisciplinary character, which should in turn provoke interest amongst a diverse set of students from disciplines such as history, law, management, politics, and others.

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