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## Article Submission Guidelines

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Structure your content with a clear introduction, main body, and conclusion. Use informative headings and subheadings to guide readers through your research.

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Write your material in a clear, concise, and jargon-free manner to make your research accessible to a broad audience. Maintain a formal and professional tone throughout your writing. Proofread your work for grammar, spelling, and punctuation errors before submission.

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Word counts for "Opinion Pieces" should be between 1200 and 1500, while those for "Research Papers" should be between 3000 and 4000. Concisely convey your key points within the recommended word limit.

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Include relevant visual aids such as charts, graphs, and images to enhance the clarity of your findings.

Ensure these elements are appropriately sourced and labelled.

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Follow 'Hyperlink citations' for 'opinion pieces' and for 'Research Paper' follow a Chicago Manual of Style (CMoS) of consistent citation method when referencing sources at the end of the article.

Use 'Times New Roman' font 12. With line spacing of 1.5.

Please use British English. When an acronym is used, it should always be followed by an explanation in brackets, such as in Logistics Exchange Memorandum of Agreement (LEMOA). Common abbreviations like UN or GDP do not require to be explained this way.

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If applicable, provide well-justified policy recommendations based on your research findings. Clearly articulate how your suggestions can address the identified issues and advance India's interests.

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Send your submission as a Microsoft Word document to [info@natstratindia.org](mailto:info@natstratindia.org). Include a brief author bio (around 100-150 characters) and a photo with your submission.

Our editorial team will review your submission and provide feedback at the earliest.

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