

Neha Tetali

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PROFILE

I'm a Policy Researcher & Analyst with a PhD in Peace Studies (Trinity College Dublin). I bring strong analytical and writing skills to policy work in the fields of International Relations, Indian Foreign Policy, Gender and Feminism in politics and Global South Multilateralism. I have been published in think tank publications, policy analysis magazines and research-based academic peer-reviewed journals. I'm experienced in tracking and analysing large volumes of political discourse and debate, producing clear written material for both specialist and public audiences.

KEY SKILLS

- Policy research & analysis: tracking debates and developments, distilling complex material into clear, accurate findings
- Written communication: producing readable analysis and briefing for policy, academic and public audiences
- Stakeholder engagement & event coordination: convening cross-institutional groups, organising logistics end-to-end for conferences and/or workshops
- Qualitative & discourse analysis: large-scale analysis of political speeches (400+), Sketch Engine software, in-depth textual analysis
- Administrative coordination: managing several work packages and deadlines with close attention to detail
- IT & digital communication: confident with standard office software and social media platforms

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Policy Researcher & Analyst (Independent) | 2025–present

- Writing policy analysis and commentary on international policy in multilateral institutions like the UN, Indian foreign policy and the Global South. Translating academic research into pieces for policy and public audiences
- Recently published on India's positioning in multilateral for a, including climate negotiations ("Leading the Global South: Why and How Postcolonialism Manifests in Indian Foreign Policy," India's World, 2026), with a second piece on climate diplomacy in development ("Margins to Mainstream: Coming of Age of Climate Policy," India's World) — my first step into climate-focused writing

Doctoral Researcher & Graduate Teaching Assistant | Trinity College Dublin | 2021–2025

- Tracked and coded 400+ policy speeches at the UN Security Council to analyse how states construct and defend their positions
- Published findings for different audiences: Peer-reviewed journals (Millennium: Journal of International Studies; Peace Prints: South Asian Journal of Peacebuilding, Third World Quarterly [under review]) to Policy Analysis for broader audiences ("What Can Feminist Foreign Policy Learn From Postcolonial Feminism?" International Peace Institute Global Observatory)
- Directed my policy research to inform the Feminist Foreign Policy Retreat of the International Peace Institute, New York (2023)
- Taught International Organisations and Conflict Resolution: The EU and UN & The Politics of Peace in a Globalised World at undergrad and postgrad level, alongside coordinating seminar delivery and marking

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Invited Guest Lecturer, Trinity College Dublin (2026)** — delivered an invited lecture on gender and race in UN policies
- **Invited Guest Lecturer, Dublin City University (2025)** — delivered an invited lecture on gender in international policy

- **Postgraduate Consultant, Trinity Inclusive Curriculum Project (2025)** — partnered with university leadership to co-design EDI initiatives and curriculum resources
- **Research Assistant, CaRE Erasmus+ Project, Trinity College Dublin (2023)** — designed and ran a large-scale endline survey (Qualtrics) and semi-structured interview programme with international partners
- **Invited Guest Lecturer, Salesian College, Siliguri (2023)** — delivered an invited lecture on feminist foreign policy, “Can feminist perspectives reimagine foreign policy?”
- **Conference Organiser, “Being Brave” Postgraduate Conference, Trinity College Dublin (2022)** — selected submissions and coordinated international speakers for a cross-institutional conference; managed logistics end-to-end
- **Research Associate, VES Institute of Management, Mumbai (2020)** — delivered a literature review and convened a multi-expert roundtable event

EDUCATION

- PhD, Peace Studies — Trinity College Dublin, 2025
- MA, Political Science — Indira Gandhi National Open University, 2021
- MA, Society and Culture — Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar, 2018
- BA, Mass Media (Journalism) — St Xavier's College, Mumbai, 2016

PUBLICATIONS

Public Engagement & Policy Analysis

- Tetali, N. (2026). “[Leading the Global South: Why and How Postcolonialism Manifests in Indian Foreign Policy](#).” India's World.
- Tetali, N. (2026, in development). “Margins to Mainstream: Coming of Age of Climate Policy.” India's World.
- Tetali, N. (2023). “[What Can Feminist Foreign Policy Learn From Postcolonial Feminism?](#)” IPI Global Observatory.

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

- Tetali, N. (2026). “[Strategic scepticism and spatialisation of power in feminist foreign policy scholarship: A critical cartography](#).” Millennium: Journal of International Studies.
- Tetali, N. (2026). “[Feminist Foreign Policy: Legacy of the WPS Agenda?](#)” In “What's Next for the WPS Agenda?”, edited by Swarna Rajagopalan. Special Issue, Peace Prints: South Asian Journal of Peacebuilding 12(1).
- Tetali, N. (2026). “Postcolonial values and national assertiveness in India's identity and foreign policy at the UNSC.” Third World Quarterly. (Minor Revisions)
- Tetali, N. (2026). “A feminist analysis of the ‘progressive’ elements of India's Foreign Policy.” In “Re-scripting ‘Progressive’ Gender Sensitive Foreign Policy: Indian and South Asian Perspectives,” edited by Rita Manchanda. Special Issue, Peace Prints: South Asian Journal of Peacebuilding. (Minor Revisions)

LANGUAGES

English (fluent) · Hindi (fluent) · Telugu (native) · Tamil (basic)

REFERENCES

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