

**Todai-HYI Joint Training Program**  
**“The Political Economy of China and its Role in the World”**  
**Tokyo, Japan, June 13–17th, 2026**

**APPLICATION FORM**

Personal Information			
Name	Shagufta Yasmin	Year of Birth (yyyy)	1986
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Discipline	<input type="checkbox"/> Economics <input type="checkbox"/> Political science <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other related field ( <u>China Studies</u> )		
Academic Position	<input type="checkbox"/> Faculty <input type="checkbox"/> Postdoctoral Fellow <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PhD Candidate (Expected Graduation Year: 2026)		
Institution	Jawaharlal Nehru University	Department/Major	Centre for East Asian Studies
Personal website (if any)			

Education Background				
Start & End Date	Institution	Department	Major	Degree
8th August 2005-5th May 2008	JNU	Centre for Chinese and South East Asian Studies	Chinese Language, Literature, and Culture Studies	B.A.
15th July 2008-5th May 2010	JNU	Centre for Chinese and South East Asian Studies	Chinese Language, Literature, and Culture Studies	M.A.
8th August 2011-7th May 2013	JNU	Centre for East Asian Studies	China Studies	M.Phil.

Employment (if applicable)				
Start & End Date	Organization	Address	Title	Research Fields
4th September 2013-19th September 2014	Central University of Jharkhand	Ranchi, Jharkhand	Teaching Assistant	Chinese Language and China Studies

Language Skills			
Language	Proficiency	Certification (if any)	Date Attained
English	<input type="checkbox"/> native <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fluent <input type="checkbox"/> basic <input type="checkbox"/> beginner		
Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/> native <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fluent <input type="checkbox"/> basic <input type="checkbox"/> beginner		
Others ( Hindi )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> native <input type="checkbox"/> fluent <input type="checkbox"/> basic <input type="checkbox"/> beginner		
Others ( Urdu )	<input type="checkbox"/> native <input type="checkbox"/> fluent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> basic <input type="checkbox"/> beginner		

Reference Persons		
Name	Affiliation and position	Email address

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**Research interests relevant to the program**  
*(Within 300 words, will be shared for the workshop participants)*

Working on China’s climate change diplomacy, I believe that the political economy of China has played a tremendous role in shaping China’s position at the international climate change negotiations. However, the current global climate change mitigation faces severe challenges due to the withdrawal of the Trump administration from the Paris Agreement. As a result, China is being seen as a responsible stakeholder in the international negotiations. However, as China’s political economy pushes for ‘dual carbon goals’, it will not be easy for China to carry on its economic growth, undergo energy transition, and give up on the reliance on fossil fuels.  
Thus, the Political Economy of China and its Role in the World will be worth focusing on.

**List of Publications, Working Papers, and Papers in progress**

**Published papers (if applicable):**  
1) Policy Brief titled “Citizen Science as a Tool and Collaborative Approach to Address Air Pollution”, published by DST, Centre for Policy Research, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.  
2) “China’s Environmental Diplomacy: From Sovereignty to Authoritarian Environmentalism” published by the Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi.  
3) Book Chapter titled “China’s engagement with Jordan: Manifestation of China’s Smart Power”, published in the book titled Kingdom of Jordan 100 Years and After (ISBN 978-93-91504-37-3), edited by Jamal Al Salabi and Nadeem Akhter,

**Working Papers (if applicable):**

**Papers in Progress:** Paper titled “‘Asia as Method’ in Decolonizing Climate Change and Development in India”, has been accepted for publication in the Journal of Country and Area Studies.

**Funding**

- Please note that the organizers will provide 6 nights of accommodation (possibly twin room) and 2-way transportation from the hotel to the workshop venue for all participants during the duration of the program.
- International participants will need to manage their own visa application and round-trip airfare. UTokyo (Tokyo College) will provide any required documents to support visa applications.

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Declaration			
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*I hereby declare that the details given above are true and accurate, and that my health condition is proper enough to carry out my academic activities during this program.*

*In case the application is approved, UTokyo and HYI have my permission to electronically keep my personal data as above.*

Signature	Shagufta Yasmin	Date	29th December 2025
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Remarks:

a) Please submit (1) this application format, (2) one page of statement of interest, and (3) a writing sample (it can be a work-in-progress draft, a working paper, or a published paper) to [today-hyi-2026@iss.u-tokyo.ac.jp](mailto:today-hyi-2026@iss.u-tokyo.ac.jp) by December 31st, 2025.

b) This program will be conducted in English. If your native language is not English, please make sure to indicate your English proficiency. And if applicable, a photocopy of any certificate of proficiency in English is preferred.

c) All PhD candidates are expected to provide one reference letter (in English) from their supervisors or other professors. [the letter can be sent directly to the above email, separate from the application package]