

**Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (MP-IDSA) –South
African Institute of International Affairs (SAIIA)
Virtual Bilateral Dialogue**

Theme: Celebrating Three Decades of India-South Africa Relations

13 March 2024

Time: 14:30h-16:30h (IST) / 11:00h -13:00h (SAST)

Programme

Inaugural Session: 14:30h-15:05h

Welcome Address:

Amb. Sujan R. Chinoy, DG, MP-IDSA (8 minutes)

Ms. Elizabeth Sidiropoulos, Chief Executive, SAIIA (8 minutes)

Special Remarks:

Amb. Prabhat Kumar, High Commissioner of India to South Africa
(8 Minutes)

Amb. Jerry Matjila, First South African High Commissioner to India
(1994-1999) (8 Minutes)

**Session 2: India-South Africa Strategic Partnership/Bilateral Relations 15:05h –
15:25h**

Chair – Amb. Ruchi Ghanashyam, Former High Commissioner of India to South Africa
(5 minutes)

Speaker from MP-IDSA – Ms. Ruchita Beri, Consultant, MP-IDSA (7-8 Minutes)

Speaker from SAIIA – Ms. Sanusha Naidu, Senior Researcher, Institute for Global Dialogue
(7-8 Minutes)

Session 3: Collaboration in Multilateral Organisations 15: 25h – 15:45h

Chair – Mr. Steven Gruzd, Programme Head: African Governance and Diplomacy, SAIIA (5-
minutes)

Speaker from MP-IDSA – Dr. Rajeesh Kumar, Associate Fellow, MP-IDSA (7-8 Minutes)

Speaker from SAIIA - Ms. Elizabeth Sidiropoulos, Chief Executive, SAIIA (7-8 Minutes)

Session 4: India-South Africa Maritime Security Cooperation
16:05h

15:45h-

Chair – Rear Admiral Monty Khanna (Retd.), formerly with National Security Council Secretariat, India (5 Minutes)

Speaker from MP-IDSA – Dr. Abhishek Mishra, Associate Fellow, MP-IDSA (7-8 Minutes)

Speaker from SAIIA – Prof. Maxi Schoeman, University of Pretoria (7-8 Minutes)

Online Q & A

16:05h - 16:20h

Vote of Thanks

16:20h –16:30h

Speaker from SAIIA (5 Minutes)

Speaker from MP-IDSA Mr. Mohansakthivel, Research Analyst, MP-IDSA (5 Minutes)