

## **ABSTRACT**

This paper explains the rise of India in the twenty first century through its increasing economic, political and military capabilities. India has been the leading regional power of South Asia and is now surpassing that role to play a larger global one. India is one of the strongest candidates among the developing states for future major power status due to its sub-continental size, large population, as well as, economic and military strength.

This paper illustrates contemporary issues and challenges over the rise of India through its foreign policy mainly on the security and economic dimensions in the post Cold War period. The paper also tries to look at the implication of India development and how it has an impact on world politics and major powers states which has strengthened India's position in achieving major power status.

The rise of India in the twenty first century is an ongoing process and it is important to examine the political and economic values India support in the international system. Therefore, we have to acquire better knowledge and thorough understanding about these developments in order to learn whether India could acquire this role in the future.