

The Hindu, 1 May 2007

**India achieved major success in tackling terrorism: US**

Washington, May 1: India has achieved major success last year in countering terrorism by effecting numerous arrests and confiscation of explosives despite challenges associated with its law enforcement and judicial systems, a US report on terrorism has said.

The Indian Express, 2 May 2007

**More Tenets of US war on terror: Armitage 'dropped hammer' on Pak**

Islamabad, May 1 : Richard Armitage, former US Deputy Secretary of State, did not 'threaten to bomb Pakistan back to the stone age' unless it joined the fight against al-Qaeda, but he did 'drop the hammer on them,' according to ex-CIA chief George Tenet.

The Indian Express, 2 May 2007

**India praised for attempts to curb terror**

Washington, May 1: India achieved major success last year in countering terrorism by effecting numerous arrests and confiscation of explosives despite challenges associated with its law enforcement and judicial systems, said the US' 'Country Reports on Terrorism 2006'.

Daily Times, 3 May 2007

**Pakistan haven for terrorists: US**

LAHORE: Pakistan 'remains a major source of Islamic extremism and a safe haven for some top terrorist leaders', despite being a frontline ally of the United States in the 'war on terror', according to the US State Department's Country Reports on Terrorism 2006, released in Washington on Monday.

The Times of India, 4 May 2007

**Indo-Iran ties: US raises Congressional concerns**

WASHINGTON: The US has said it has not seen the letter written by a group of American lawmakers to Prime Minister Manmohan Singh on New Delhi's ties with Tehran and its implications to the civilian nuclear deal but noted that the Bush administration has already raised the matter with the Indian Government.

The Tribune, 5 May 2007

**Rise of Asia will be a challenge for policy-makers in India, US**

India, like the United States, is entering a complex geopolitical environment that is likely to survive for at least another two decades. This environment will be characterised by the continuing dominance of the United States in the global system.

The New York Times, 6 May 2007

**From China to Panama, a Trail of Poisoned Medicine**

The kidneys fail first. Then the central nervous system begins to misfire. Paralysis spreads, making breathing difficult, then often impossible without assistance. In the end, most victims die. In Panama Cold medicine containing diethylene glycol killed at least 100 people.

Daily News, 7 May 2007

**Pakistan only country friendly to both China, US: Kasuri**

LAHORE: Foreign Minister Khurshid Mehmood Kasuri said that Pakistan is the only country that has friendly relations with both US and China. He was addressing a seminar, Pakistan's Foreign Policy, organised by All Pakistan Private Schools Management Association (APPSMA) on Sunday.

Dawn, 8 May 2007

**US extradites Al Qaeda militant to S. Arabia**

RIYADH: The United States has extradited a leading Al Qaeda member captured in Afghanistan back to his homeland in Saudi Arabia, the Saudi interior ministry said on Monday.

Deccan Herald, 9 May 2007

**'Heady times' for India and the US**

Indians are one of the best educated and successful immigrant groups in the US. While Iraq and Iran have dominated recent headlines, the United States and India have quietly forged the strongest relationship the two countries have enjoyed since India's Independence in 1947.

The Indian Express, 9 May 2007

**Qaeda leaders could be based in NW border: Tenet**

Washington, May 8 : Calling the al-Qaeda a "sophisticated intelligence organisation" spread out around the world, former CIA Director George Tenet has said the leadership of the terror network is "probably" based somewhere in the north-west frontier of Pakistan.

The Times of India, 10 May 2007

**US urges Bangladesh govt to restore democracy 'quickly'**

WASHINGTON: Terming the Bangladesh caretaker government's decision to allow the return of former premier Sheikh Hasina to the country as a "positive action", the United States has urged Dhaka to move quickly to restore democracy in the South Asian nation.

The Times of India, 10 May 2007

**Al-Qaida regrouping in Pak: Gates**

WASHINGTON: The Bush administration has said that despite three-quarters of Al-Qaida's known leadership having been either killed or captured, the terrorist outfit has actually expanded, and is regrouping in Western Pakistan.

People's Daily, 10 May 2007

**Chinese, U.S. presidents talk on phone bilateral relations, international issues**

Chinese President Hu Jintao and his U.S. counterpart George W. Bush Thursday exchanged views in a telephone conversation on bilateral relations and the upcoming second round of strategic economic dialogue between the two countries.

Hindustan Times, 11 May 2007

**No love lost between US and LTTE: Boucher**

US Assistant Secretary of State for Central and South Asia Richard Boucher on Thursday conveyed to President Mahinda Rajapaksa, America's "deep concern" over increasing human rights violations and threats to press freedom in Sri Lanka, while assuring him American help to fight LTTE terrorism.

China Daily, 11 May 2007

**Chinese, US economies closely linked - Randt**

The economies of the United States and China are so inextricably entwined that if something bad happens to China it is going to negatively affect the US.

The Times of India, 12 May 2007

**US engineer guilty of exporting military data to China**

LOS ANGELES: A Chinese-born US engineer was on Friday found guilty of conspiracy to smuggle sensitive technology about US Navy submarines to China following a six-week trial in California.

Daily News, 13 May 2007

**Anne W Patterson new US envoy to Pakistan**

WASHINGTON: Anne W Patterson, a career foreign service officer, is to be the new US ambassador to Pakistan, replacing Ryan Crocker, now in Iraq.

Guardian, 14 May 2007

**Al-Qaida says it has captured three US soldiers**

Thousands of US troops supported by helicopters and planes were last night searching for three soldiers captured by al-Qaida near Baghdad as violence again hit dozens of ordinary Iraqis across the country. The Islamic State in Iraq - an al-Qaida affiliate - said on its website that it was holding "crusader" soldiers after four others and an interpreter were confirmed killed in fighting on Saturday in the Mahmudiya area in the Sunni "triangle of death" south of the capital.

The Indian Express, 14 May 2007

**Taliban Chief's Death a Big U.S. Victory**

KABUL: The killing of the top Taliban commander Mullah Dadullah, a one-legged fighter who orchestrated suicide attacks, beheadings and an ethnic massacre, marks a major victory for the U.S. campaign at a time of flagging Afghan support over civilian killings.

The Indian Express, 15 May 2007

**Space ties with India beneficial: US Scientists**

NASA Washington, May 15: Senior officials of the NASA and scientists have told American lawmakers that there is a lot of merit in increasing international cooperation with leading space powers like India that will only see a win-win situation, which benefits the United States and the partnering country.

Daily Times, 15 May 2007

**US deplores Karachi violence**

WASHINGTON: The United States has deplored violence in Karachi and called for restraint and peaceful resolution of issues.

China Daily, 15 May 2007

**China's strengthening is not bad news for America**

That quotation from Thomas Aquinas sums up the current China debate. America has a choice to make, between taking comfort in China's poverty reduction -- the greatest in human history, largely achieved using our economic model -- or wishing it back to the failed state it was before the boom began.

The Hindu, 16 May 2007

**U.S. Senators allege misuse of H-1B visas**

Washington: Infosys, Wipro and Tata Consultancy Services are among nine Indian firms, which have been asked to disclose details of their workforce by two top U.S. lawmakers, who feel that foreign companies are abusing the H-1B visa programme to displace qualified American workers.

The Times of India, 16 May 2007

**US working with India to move Doha round forward: Bush**

WASHINGTON: President George W Bush says the United States is committed to more free world trade and is working with its European partners and countries like India and Brazil to move the Doha round forward.

The Times of India, 16 May 2007

**USA to upgrade Pakistan's F-16 fighter jets**

ISLAMABAD: The United States has approved Pakistan's request to upgrade a squadron of its old F-16 fighters with advanced targeting equipment to enhance their precision attack capability.

Hindustan Times, 16 May 2007

**US has no significant strategic interest in Lanka**

Former US Ambassador to Sri Lanka, Jeffrey Lunstead, has said that Washington has no "significant" strategic or economic interest in Sri Lanka. But if it is engaged in the peace process in the island country since 2001, it is because of two concerns: (1) a commitment since 9/11 to fight terrorism globally, (b) an interest in upholding human rights everywhere.

The Tribune, 17 May 2007

**India warns USA of adverse impact**

New Delhi, May 16: Flaying the US move on H1B Visa, India today warned of an adverse impact on the rapidly expanding services trade and that such a move would make it difficult for New Delhi to enhance its commitments in the services negotiations in the World Trade Organisation (WTO).

The Indian Express, 18 May 2007

**US says support to Musharraf will continue**

Islamabad, May 17 : Pakistan President Pervez Musharraf got a big boost with the US reinforcing its backing to the General, saying he has not yet reached the 'end of his line' and that he would get 'more support'.

Daily Times, 18 May 2007

**Pakistan moving forward as a moderate country: Boucher**

WASHINGTON: Pakistan is moving forward as a moderate country, US Assistant Secretary of State for South Asia Richard Boucher told Voice of America in an interview aired on Thursday.

The Washington Post, 19 May 2007

**China, U.S. Come to Trade Talks At Odds**

SHANGHAI: On the eve of high-level economic talks in Washington next week, Chinese leaders are increasingly bitter about what they see as bullying behavior by the United States on trade issues, potentially complicating efforts to tackle disputes on such matters as technology exports and intellectual property.

The Hindu, 20 May 2007

**Supreme Court moved against Indo-U.S. deal**

New Delhi: The Supreme Court has been moved to restrain the Union Government from hurriedly executing the Indo-US nuclear deal. A Bench headed by the Chief Justice of India, K.G. Balakrishnan has posted it for hearing in July on the request of the petitioner, M.N. Ramamurthy of Mumbai.

Deccan Herald, 21 May 2007

**US visas to be processed fast: Official**

Coimbatore, PTI: Efforts were on to make visa processing easier for Indians who wish to visit the United States, a senior American diplomat has said.

The Tribune, 21 May 2007

**US officials: Tie aid to Pak to performance**

New York, May 20: Surprised by the speed at which Taliban and al-Qaeda have gained strength over the past year, some US officials have recommended that the billions of dollars given to Pakistan in aid to fight terrorism be tied to its performance.

The Times of India, 21 May 2007

**'Pak using US aid against India'**

NEW YORK: Pakistan has received \$1.8 billion as security assistance from the US for the war against terrorism, but the weapons financed under it are "more useful in countering India" than fighting Al Qaida and Taliban, according to a study.

People's Daily, 22 May 2007

**Agreements signed to promote U.S. exports to China**

The export-import banks of China and the United States signed agreements on Monday

designed to expedite financing for transactions that will help support U.S. export jobs and promote China's sustainable development.

China Daily, 23 May 2007

**China, US seek to ease trade woes**

WASHINGTON: China and the United States should join hands to work for balanced trade and address other economic irritants, Vice-Premier Wu Yi said yesterday.

Daily Times, 23 May 2007

**Boucher defends Pakistan as ally**

WASHINGTON: US Assistant Secretary of State Richard Boucher said on Monday that Pakistan has been increasingly active in repelling Taliban and Al Qaeda forces on the Afghan border. Trying to allay doubts about Pakistan's credibility as the US Congress considers new aid funding requests, Boucher said Islamabad has taken a more aggressive approach since December that has gone largely unacknowledged.

The Indian Express, 24 May 2007

**Pak envoy in US says the unexpected: India a role model for growth, democracy**

New Delhi, May 23: India has come in for praise from an unexpected quarter. Pakistan's envoy to the US has described India as 'modern' and a 'role model' in democracy and economic development.

Daily Times, 24 May 2007

**It's time for talks with Taliban: West should learn from us: Musharraf**

LAHORE: President General Pervez Musharraf said in an interview with The Globe and Mail that talks with the Taliban and other opposition may be necessary to bring stability to Afghanistan.

Daily Times, 25 May 2007

**State Dept confirms Patterson as new envoy to Pakistan**

WASHINGTON: The State Department has confirmed that Anne W Patterson would be the new US envoy to Pakistan.

The Indian Express, 26 May 2007

**U.S.: China Lacks Power for Taiwan Fight**

WASHINGTON: The Pentagon is warning China in blunt language that despite Beijing's massive military buildup, it lacks the power for a successful attack against rival Taiwan.

The Times of India, 26 May 2007

**China improving its ability to launch attacks: US**

WASHINGTON: China is modernising its military in ways that give it options for launching surprise attacks, potentially far from its borders, the US Defence Department has said. In an annual report to Congress, the Pentagon said the Chinese are acquiring better missiles, submarines and aircraft and should more fully explain the purpose of a military buildup that has led some to view China as a threat.

Deccan Herald, 27 May 2007

**US war on terrorism destabilised India**

New Delhi: Senior BJP leader Jaswant Singh has discovered that the American war against terrorism is a form of new imperialism, responsible for 'destabilising India and the neighbourhood'.

International Herald Tribune, 27 May 2007

**China accuses Pentagon of spreading false fears over missiles**

BEIJING: A Pentagon report that expressed concerns about China's buildup of land- and sea-based ballistic missiles "misleads international opinion" and aims to spread false fears of a China threat, Chinese state media said Sunday.

The Hindu, 28 May 2007

**US military frees 42 captives kidnapped by al-Qaeda**

BAGHDAD: U.S. forces freed 42 Iraqis - some of whom had been held and tortured for months - in a raid Sunday on an al-Qaeda hide-out north of Baghdad, the U.S. military said.

Deccan Herald, 29 May 2007

**Burns to visit India for nuke talks**

New Delhi: Nicholas Burns, Washington's chief interlocutor on the nuclear deal, arrives on a two-day visit here Thursday in a bid to put back on track the talks to clinch the 123 pact to open nuclear commerce between India and the US, officials said Monday.

Deccan Herald, 30 May 2007

**Indo-US group raises concerns over immigration bill**

Washington, May 30: Indo-US group has expressed serious reservations against key provisions in the current version of the immigration bill being debated this week in the upper house of the US Congress.

Hindustan Times, 30 May 2007

**US, India make big strides in wheat trade talks**

India and the United States are getting closer to an agreement on wheat import standards, which could allow new US wheat sales to India, diplomatic sources said on Tuesday.

The Times of India, 30 May 2007

**US offers to sell India six Hercules planes**

WASHINGTON: United States has offered India a \$1,059 million deal to sell six C-130J Hercules aircraft with associated equipment and services to provide it special operations airlift capability and ensure interoperability with American forces in coalition operations.

Dawn, 31 May 2007

**US claim about casualties disputed**

JALALABAD, May 30: The US military said coalition and Afghan troops killed six Taliban and arrested four in Nangarhar on Wednesday, though a provincial official and residents said the casualties were villagers.

Dawn, 31 May 2007

**Al Qaeda warns US of attacks**

DUBAI, May 30: An American member of Al Qaeda warned in an Internet video that President George W. Bush should withdraw all his troops from Muslim land or face attacks worse than Sept 11