



National Security Advisory Board

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The government has reconstituted the **National Security Advisory Board (NSAB)** with a new set of appointments, including former [Research and Analysis Wing \(R&AW\)](#) chief **Alok Joshi as chairman**, along with 7 other members. This comes amidst growing discussions on India's response to the [Pahalgam terror attack](#).

- **National Security Advisory Board:** Established in 1998, it operates under the **National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS)** and works alongside two other key bodies; the **Strategic Policy Group (SPG)** and the **Joint Intelligence Committee (JIC)**.
- **Functions:** NSAB advises the [National Security Council \(NSC\)](#) on external threats, internal stability, and emerging challenges. It provides **independent, long-term analysis**, recommends policy options.
 - NSAB contributed to the **Nuclear Doctrine (2001)** and **National Security Review (2007)**.
- **Composition:** The NSAB, is headed by a **Chairperson**, usually a former senior official, and comprises members from diverse fields such as diplomacy, military, academia, economics, and science & technology.
 - **NSAB never has a fixed number of members**, allowing flexibility in its composition based on evolving national security needs.
- **Tenure:** The board's members are appointed for a **term of two years**.

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