

Professional Bio

A dedicated legal professional with 5+ years of experience spanning legal due diligence, corporate legal practice, international trade law, WTO matters, litigation, regulatory compliance, legal research and policy analysis. Currently serving as an Associate-Legal at the Centre for WTO Studies (CWS), under the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India, with a focus on agricultural trade, WTO negotiations, trade policy, and regulatory analysis.

In her current role, Ms. Palkin is part of the Agriculture Team, working at the interface of international trade and agriculture. She has served as a member of the Indian Delegation to the 14th WTO Ministerial Conference (MC14) and has participated in meetings of the WTO Committee on Agriculture and agriculture negotiations, providing legal, technical, and analytical inputs to India's negotiating team. Her work involves research and analysis on WTO agricultural negotiations, agricultural trade policy, and the implementation of India's commitments under the WTO Agreement on Agriculture. She contributes to the formulation of India's positions on issues including domestic support, public stockholding, export restrictions, tariff rate quotas and other matters relating to agricultural trade, and undertakes analysis of WTO notifications, negotiating proposals, and developments relevant to India's interests.

Ms. Palkin has also been actively engaged in India's BRICS Agriculture Working Group (AWG) under India's BRICS Chairship in 2026. She participated in the BRICS Agriculture Working Group Meeting and the BRICS Agriculture Ministers' Meeting held in Indore, India, contributing to discussions and negotiations on issues relating to food security, sustainable agricultural development, agricultural trade, climate resilience, and farmer-centric approaches. She provided legal and policy inputs during the negotiations and contributed to the preparation and finalisation of the BRICS Agriculture Ministers' Joint Declaration.

She has also been involved in India's 8th Trade Policy Review (TPR) at the WTO, contributing to the preparation of responses and analytical inputs on issues raised by WTO Members concerning India's trade policies and measures. Her work has included research and analysis on agricultural trade, domestic support, public stockholding, export restrictions, export subsidies, and India's obligations under the WTO Agreement on Agriculture, as well as assisting in the preparation of India's submissions and responses for the TPR process. She has also contributed to India's engagement with the G20, including research and policy inputs on issues relating to food security, agricultural trade, and sustainable agricultural development. Her work has involved analysing international policy developments and preparing substantive inputs for discussions on agriculture and related trade issues within the G20 framework.

Research Publications

- ESCAP Development Paper on *“Reciprocal Tariffs under Trump 2.0: A Strategy for*

Resilience in South and South-West Asia” (2025).

<https://www.unescap.org/kp/2025/reciprocal-tariffs-under-trump-20-strategy-resilience-south-and-south-west-asia>

- Discussion Paper titled “*Public Stockholding for Food Security: Negotiating an Unfulfilled Commitment.*” published by the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS).
<https://ris.org.in/index.php/en/discussion-papers/public-stockholding-for-food-security>
- Policy Brief titled, “Public Stockholding for Food Security: An unfinished Agenda” published by the Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS).
<https://www.ris.org.in/en/policy-briefs/public-stockholding-for-food-security-at-the-wto-an-unfinished-agenda>
- Article titled “*Reciprocal Duties of the USA: Is It Consistent with Domestic and International Law?*” published in the NLIU Law Review (Vol. XV, Issue I).
<https://nliulawreview.nliu.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/NLIU-Law-Review-Volume-XV-Issue-I-1.pdf>