

Role of India in United Nations

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India is a founding member of the United Nations and strongly supports the purposes and principles of the UN. As a charter member of the United Nations India participates in all of its specialised agencies and organizations. India has been elected seven times to the UN Security Council and has a permanent mission to the UN.

- India joined the United Nations in October 1945 and started raising concerns regarding colonialism, apartheid and racial discrimination.
- India took an active part in Drafting of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. India highlighted the need for reflecting gender equality by changing the language of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights from 'all men are created equal' to 'all human beings'.
- Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit was elected the first woman President of the UN General Assembly and supported the struggle towards global disarmament and the ending of the arms race.



- India had a mediatory role in resolving the stalemate over prisoners of war in Korea contributing to the signing of the armistice ending the Korean War in 1953.
- India supported the charter provisions for a Security Council veto for the great powers.
- India has taken part in 43 Peacekeeping missions with a total contribution exceeding 160,000 troops and a significant number of police personnel having been deployed. In 2014 India is the third largest troop contributor with 7,860 personnel deployed with ten UN Peacekeeping Missions.



Today, India is an important member of United Nations and has been seeking a permanent seat in the United Nations Security Council. The Government of India has strongly put forward India's case for permanent membership to the Security Council, which is based on its extensive contribution to the activities of the UN particularly the maintenance of international peace and security. Other criteria such as population, territorial size, GDP, political system etc. also point towards India's suitability of permanent membership of the expanded UNSC.

India's power is increasing in United Nations. June 21 was declared as the International Day of Yoga by the United Nations General Assembly on December 11, 2014. It shows the importance of India in United Nations.

I wish , one India will lead the United Nations.