

India's Commitment to UN Peacekeeping

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At the **United Nations Peacekeeping (UNPK)** Ministerial 2025 meeting in **Berlin**, 74 member states pledged to enhance the **effectiveness** and **adaptability** of peace operations amid evolving global challenges.

- India pledged a Quick Reaction Force (QRF), One male armed police (Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) or mixed armed police (CRPF), Women-led Police Unit, among others.
- As per UNPK data, India is currently the 4th largest troop-contributing nation with 5,375 personnel after Nepal, Rwanda and Bangladesh.
 - Nearly 180 Indian peacekeepers have died in action—the highest of any troop contributor. India deployed the first all-female unit to Liberia in 2007.
- About UNPK: The first UNPK mission, United Nations Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO), was established in May 1948 to monitor the Armistice Agreement between Israel and its Arab neighbors with a small team of military observers.
 - They are deployed by the UN Security Council to support ceasefires and peace agreements and are called Blue Helmets due to the light blue color symbolizing peace on the UN flag.
 - Currently, over 61,000 military and police peacekeepers from 119 countries and more than 7,000 civilian personnel serve in 11 UN Peacekeeping Missions.

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