



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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