

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA

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INDIA'S LEADERSHIP IN GLOBAL GOVERNANCE REFORM

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

(a) whether India has sought increased global support for its candidature for a permanent seat in the UN Security Council, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the specific measures undertaken to strengthen India's case for UNSC reforms during FY 2023-24;

(c) the current status of India's diplomatic efforts to align Global South countries in reforming international multilateral institutions; and

(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure India's representation aligns with its strategic global role?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

(a to d) The Government of India accords highest priority to getting permanent membership for India in an expanded United Nations Security Council (UNSC). India remains engaged, both at the bilateral and multilateral level, in this endeavour. India strongly believes that it has all the credentials to be a permanent member of a reformed and expanded UN Security Council that reflects contemporary global realities.

India is actively engaged in the ongoing Inter-Governmental Negotiations (IGN) on UNSC reforms. India worked alongside other reform-oriented countries through its membership in the G-4 Group (India, Japan, Brazil and Germany) and the L.69 Group (cross- regional group of developing countries from Asia, Africa and Latin America) to build support among the UN Member States for expansion of the UN Security Council. We have also been constantly engaging with countries of the Global South including through the Voice of the Global South Summits.

A large number of countries have supported India's initiatives for reform of the UNSC as well as endorsed our candidature for permanent membership in a reformed UNSC.

Prime Minister in his address at the Summit of the Future reiterated the need for reforms of global institutions. A large number of countries also called for reforms of institutions of global governance, including the UNSC.
