

Engagement of Pakistan and United Nations?

Introduction

1- Pakistan and United Nations share a close and longlasting relationship, intertwining their efforts to foster peace, promote developments and uphold human rights on a global scale. Pakistan a proud member of United Nations, since its inception in 1947, has played an active role in shaping the international agenda and contributing to the collective efforts of the UN.

Through engagement in peacekeeping missions, advocacy for social justice and collaborative initiatives, Pakistan continues to make significant contributions to the ideal and objectives of the UN, working towards a more prosperous & harmonious world.

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2- Pakistan engagement with the UN

2.1 Peacekeeping Contributions:-

Pakistan has consistently been one of the top troop contributors to UN peacekeeping missions. As of October 2023, Pakistan ranked among the top five contributors, with around 5000 personnel deployed across various missions worldwide. Pakistan peacekeepers have served in conflict zones, including Sierra Leone, Bosnia, Sudan, Congo, Lebanon and others.

Fact: Pakistan has received numerous awards for its peacemaking efforts, including the UN "Protection of Civilians" award in 2011 for the outstanding work of its troops in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

2.2 Human Rights Advocacy:-

Pakistan has actively engaged on the UN Human Rights Council

Sessions advocating for human rights issues. It has highlighted concerns such as religious freedom, Women's rights, and the rights of marginalized communities.

Fact Pakistan has cooperated with the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for human rights (OHCHR) and other UN agencies in implementing programs that promote and protect human rights, including initiatives related to education, health and empowerment.

2.3 Development cooperation:

Pakistan actively participates in UN-led development initiatives, such as the United Nation development programme (UNDP), and the United Nations Childrens Funds (UNICEF).

fact The Country has implemented various poverty alleviation and social welfare programs in partnership with UN agencies for

example the Benazir Income Support program (BISP) has benefited millions of vulnerable families in Pakistan, supported by UNDP.

2.4 Leadership Roles:-

In 2012, Pakistan's Ambassador to the UN, Abdullah Hussain Heron, served as the president of the UN General Assembly providing a platform to advance Pakistan's priorities and represent the interests of developing countries.

Fact Pakistan has also actively participated in the leadership of various other UN bodies and Committees, including the Security Council. In 2016-17, Pakistan served as a non permanent member of Security Council.

2.5 Funding and Contributions-

Pakistan has consistently fulfilled its financial obligations as a member state. It contributes to the UN regular budget, as well as specialized agencies and programs. In recent years, Pakistan has increased its financial contributions to various UN bodies, including the World Health Organization (WHO) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

2.6 Support for Global initiatives:

Pakistan has been an active supporter of Global initiatives within the United Nations. For example, it played a crucial role in supporting the Paris Agreement on climate change and has implemented various measures to mitigate the impacts of climate change at the national level.

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Pakistan has made substantial progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through its National SDGs Framework, aligning its national policies with the global development agenda.