Analyzing India's Need for Permanent Membership of United Nations Security Council

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Abstract

The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) is crucial for assessing the integration of rising powers, with India's case exemplifying a developing power adapting to its expanded role and expectations. India's quest for permanent membership in the UNSC has been a longstanding diplomatic endeavor. India is one of the fastest-growing economies in the world and a major player in the Asia-Pacific region. India, as one of the world's largest and most populous democracies, has consistently argued that its inclusion as a permanent member in the UNSC is not just a matter of national pride, but a necessity for global stability and equity. The country has long sought permanent membership in the UNSC to reflect its growing stature on the global stage. This research paper provides an analysis of India's need for permanent membership in the UNSC. As far as the methodology of the research is concerned, this is qualitative research based on secondary data. The main sources of data collection include government reports, academic literature, websites, and other relevant sources. This research paper explores India's historical ties to the Security Council, its objectives, reform initiatives, and methods for securing a permanent seat. It analyzes India's growing economic and political power, commitment to global peace and security, and its current situation in the UNSC. The paper concludes that India's long-held desire for permanent membership can be realized through a realpolitik, pragmatic strategy involving tough power negotiations. However, potential challenges include tensions with neighboring countries and resistance from other UNSC members. The paper acknowledges India's justified bid for permanent membership and calls for the international community to seriously consider its role in shaping global security and governance.

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