



4th Periodic Review of the ICCPR

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India successfully concluded its **4th periodic review by the Human Rights Committee** under the **International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR)** in Geneva.

- The ICCPR is an important international human rights treaty that, along with other key documents, forms the **International Bill of Human Rights**. It obligates countries to protect and preserve basic human rights such as the right to life, freedom of speech, and gender equality.
 - Adopted by the UN General Assembly in 1966, ICCPR came into force in 1976 and has been ratified by 173 countries including **India in 1979**, undergone three previous reviews, with the latest in 2024.
 - The 4th periodic review covered diverse issues including anti-corruption measures, non-discrimination, women's and minority rights, counter-terrorism, judicial framework, and privacy laws.
- Other main UN International Human Rights Conventions and Protocols that India is a part of include:
 - [ICERD \(International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination\)](#)
 - [CEDAW \(Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women\)](#)
 - [CRC \(Convention on the Rights of the Child\)](#).

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