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India at UN: Nuclear Weapons Not Routine Statecraft

India exercised its Right of Reply at the UN General Assembly's First Committee meeting on Disarmament and International Security.

India's assertion at the United Nations that nuclear weapons should not be treated as ordinary tools of state policy, made in response to Pakistan.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- India stated at the **United Nations General Assembly's First Committee** that **nuclear weapons** must not be treated as '**routine instruments of statecraft**'.
- The statement was made during **India's** exercise of its **Right of Reply** at the plenary meeting.
- The **First Committee** of the UN General Assembly specifically addresses **Disarmament** and **International Security** issues.
- **India** asserted that **New Delhi** will 'not bow' to **nuclear blackmail**.
- The remarks were made in the context of a dispute with **Pakistan** concerning **Kashmir**.
- The statement was published on **October 10, 2026**.

DID YOU KNOW..!?

The **UN General Assembly's First Committee** is responsible for **Disarmament** and **International Security** matters.

India's nuclear doctrine is based on 'No First Use' (NFU) and '**Credible Minimum Deterrence**'.

Pakistan's nuclear doctrine does not include a '**No First Use**' policy.

India is not a signatory to the **Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT)**.

India is also not a signatory to the **Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT)**.

The **Right of Reply** is a procedural right allowing a state to respond to allegations made against it in an **international forum**.

The **United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)** is the **main deliberative, policymaking, and representative organ** of the UN.

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