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Navi Pillay Wins 2026 Nobel Peace Prize

South African jurist of Indian origin Navi Pillay was awarded the 2026 Nobel Peace Prize for her contributions to international law and human rights.

The Nobel Peace Prize is one of the prestigious international awards established by Alfred Nobel, conferred annually for outstanding contributions to peace and human rights.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- Navanethem 'Navi' Pillay won the 2026 Nobel Peace Prize on **October 9, 2026**.
- She is a **South African** jurist of Indian origin and a former **United Nations** human rights chief.
- The **Norwegian Nobel Committee** awarded her the prize for her efforts to promote peace and international law.
- Justice Pillay is **85 years old** at the time of receiving this prestigious international recognition.
- She has previously served as a judge on the **International Criminal Court** and the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda.

DID YOU KNOW..!?

The Nobel Prizes are awarded annually in **Stockholm, Sweden**, except for the Nobel Peace Prize which is awarded in **Oslo, Norway**.

Alfred Nobel established the Nobel Prizes through his last will and testament in **1895**.

The first Nobel Prizes were awarded on **December 10, 1901**, matching the death anniversary of Alfred Nobel.

Indian Nobel laureates include **Rabindranath Tagore** (1913), **C.V. Raman** (1930), and Mother Teresa (1979).

Article 51 of the Indian Constitution directs the State to promote international peace and security, aligning with global peace initiatives.

The **International Criminal Court** (ICC) was established by the Rome Statute, which entered into force on **July 1, 2002**.

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Syllabus Relevance: Important for TNPSC Group 1 and 2 questions on international awards, Nobel laureates, and prominent global personalities of Indian origin.

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