



Visit of the All-Party Delegation led by Ms. Kanimozhi Karunanidhi to the Russian Federation | 23 May 2025

In continuance of India's sustained fight against terrorism, an All-Party delegation led by Ms. Kanimozhi Karunanidhi, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) had a number of engagements on 23 May 2025, including with the two Houses of the Russian Parliament and think tanks.

2. The delegation held comprehensive discussions with H.E. Mr. Andrey Denisov, First Deputy Chair of the Committee on International Affairs of the Federation Council, and other Senators. The dialogue focused on enhancing legislative convergence in the global fight against terrorism. The Indian side drew attention to Operation Sindoor as a response in the country's fight against terrorism.

3. Later, the delegation had a meeting with H.E. Mr. Leonid Slutsky, Hon'ble Chair of the Committee on International Affairs of the State Duma, and interacted with Members of the State Duma. Both sides reaffirmed the historic and time-tested nature of the India-Russia relationship, underpinned by mutual trust and respect. The discussions covered a wide range of issues including global security architecture, emerging geopolitical alignments, and multilateral cooperation. The Indian delegation underlined the imperative of collective action against terrorism, including the need for credible international mechanisms to deny safe havens, financing, and political justification to terrorist entities.

4. The delegation then met H.E. Mr. Andrey Rudenko, Deputy Foreign Minister of the Russian Federation and held extensive discussions on bilateral, regional, and global developments, with emphasis on the shared commitment to a multipolar and international order. The Indian side reiterated its zero-tolerance policy towards terrorism and stressed that India will not tolerate any nuclear blackmail. Both sides agreed on the need to strengthen counter-terrorism measures and eliminate terrorism in all its forms and manifestations.

5. The delegation also had an insightful interaction with former Prime Minister H.E. Mr. Mikhail Fradkov, who heads the Russian Institute for Strategic Studies (RISS). The delegation had detailed exchanges on radicalisation pathways, disinformation ecosystems used by terrorist groups, and state-sponsored propaganda that undermines regional peace. The two sides agreed on the imperative of narrative frameworks rooted in pluralism, sovereignty, and international law. The two sides agreed on closer think tank collaboration for joint analytical work concerning terrorism's transnational linkages.

6. These high-level interactions reaffirm the shared commitment of India and Russia to intensify cooperation in the fight against terrorism, promote global stability, and further strengthen their Special and Privileged Strategic Partnership. The delegation conveyed India's resolve to expose and isolate those who employ terrorism as an instrument of state policy and reaffirmed the importance of international solidarity in this regard.

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