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# **TODAY'S ANALYSIS**

## **(22 September 2023)**

### **TOPICS TO BE COVERED**

- **INDIA CANADA DIPLOMATIC STANDOFF**
- **INTENDED NATIONALLY DETERMINED CONTRIBUTIONS OF INDIA**
- **PRINCIPAL ORGANS OF UN**



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# INDIA CANADA DIPLOMATIC STANDOFF

India & Canada have come at loggerheads with each other.

**Issue:** Canada's allegations (**Not proven**) of involvement of an Indian officer (Intelligence Officer) in killing of a Khalistani separatist (**Hardeep Singh Nijjar**) in Canada in June 2023.

Canada has expelled the Indian Officer. India in return has also expelled a Canadian diplomat posted in India.

India issued travel advisory to Indians travelling to Canada as well as to the Indians in Canada. India has suspended visa services also to Canadians who wished to travel to India. (Including e visa facility)

## POLITICAL SITUATION IN CANADA

**Justin Trudeau**, the current PM of Canada has formed a **coalition government** in Canada.

One of the supporting Parties is the **New Democratic Party** of **Mr. Jagmeet Dhaliwal**. (**said to be a Khalistani sympathiser by the GoI**)

This can be a probable link why the Canadian PM, without completion of the investigation, is taking affirmative actions like these.

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## INDIA CANADA FACTSHEET

### INDIA AND CANADA, IN NUMBERS

#### Canada accounts for just 0.56% of the total FDI in India.



DPIIT data show total FDI equity inflow between April 2000 to June 2023 was

\$645,386.0884 mn, of which only \$3,642.5243 mn came from Canada.

#### But Canada is home to 5.26% of overseas Indians



Of the 3,21,00,340 overseas Indians, 5.26% (16,89,055) are in Canada, including

1,78,410 NRIs and 15,10,645 PIOs, according to MEA data.

#### And every 7th Indian student abroad is in Canada



In 2022, of the estimated 13,24,954 Indian students abroad, 13.83% (1,83,310) were

in Canada, according to Ministry of External Affairs data.

#### Canada is 4th largest source of tourists in India (2021)



Canada accounted for 5.3% (80,437) of Foreign Tourist Arrivals (FTAs) in India in 2021; 72.6% of

Canadian FTAs were members of the Indian diaspora. FTAs from Canada rose to 3,51,859 in the pre-pandemic year 2019 from 88,600 in 2001. Arrivals from Canada fell sharply post pandemic.

#### Bilateral trade is tiny; its balance is in India's favour



India's trade with Canada was \$8,161.02 mn during FY 2022-23, just 0.70% of India's total

trade of \$1,165,000.88 mn. Canada was India's 35th biggest trading partner. The balance of trade is in India's favour; in 2022-23, India's exports to Canada stood at \$4,109.74 mn, and imports at \$4,051.29 mn.

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## FACTORS INFLUENCING CANADA'S FOREIGN POLICY

According to many diplomatic experts, **Canada's Foreign Policy is hostage to the immigrants in Canada.** (Canada is home to many immigrants from all across the world)

- The Russian & Ukrainian immigrants shape Canada's Russia Policy.
- Hong KONG & TAIWAN immigrants shape Canada's China Policy.
- The Jewish immigrants shape Canada's Israel Policy.
- Srilankan immigrants shape Canada's SL Policy. (During civil war)
- Afghan immigrants shape Canada's Afghanistan Policy.
- Khalistan immigrants have hijacked Canada's India Policy now. (out of 20 lakh Indian diaspora in Canada, 8 lakh are Sikhs; out of which only 1% are Pro-Khalistan. (controlling 12-15 Gurudwaras)

## THE GEOPOLITICS INVOLVED

Canada is a member of **G7**. (USA, UK, France, Germany, Italy & Japan)

It also shares intelligence with **Five eyes grouping**—USA, UK, Australia & New Zealand.

All these countries are also close partners with India. (**QUAD**)

This complicates the situation for these countries.

USA, UK & Australia have responded in a balanced & nuanced way.

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# INTENDED NATIONALLY DETERMINED CONTRIBUTIONS (INDC)

**INDCs** are **voluntary contributions** which every country, irrespective of its developmental status, has to pledge in order to conserve the environment.

## WHEN WAS INDC ADOPTED?

Paris Climate Deal (CoP 21 OF UNFCCC), 2015.

## INDIA'S INDCs (2015)

Also known as a Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC), India's first pledge had **3 primary targets**.

- The first was to **reduce emissions intensity** of the economy (emission per unit of GDP) by 33-35% below 2005 levels.
- The second was to **have 40% of installed electric power from non-fossil-based energy resources by 2030**.
- The third target was to **create an additional carbon sink of 2.5-3 gigatonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (GtCO<sub>2</sub>e) by 2030** through additional forest and tree cover.

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According to the Paris Agreement, countries must **'update' their pledges every five years** to make larger commitments to reduce GHG emissions.

## REVISED INDCs (2021)

India at the **COP26 to the UNFCCC** held in **Glasgow, UK in 2021**, expressed to intensify its climate action by presenting **5-set of new targets (Panchamrit)** of India's climate action.

These were -

- India will increase its **non-fossil fuel energy capacity** to **500 gigawatts (GW)** by **2030**. (Presently it is around 167 GW)
- It will meet **50% of its energy requirements** from **renewable sources** by **2030**.
- The total **projected carbon emissions** will be **reduced by 1 billion tonnes** from now through **2030**.
- The **emission intensity** of its economy will be **brought down to less than 45%**.
- India will achieve its **target of net zero by 2070**.

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# PRINCIPAL ORGANS OF UN

There **are 5** (earlier 6) Principal organs of UN:

- (1) United Nations General Assembly.
- (2) United Nations Security Council
- (3) International Court of Justice
- (4) United Nations Secretariat
- (5) Economic & Social Council (ECOSOC)

## United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)



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**Formed in: 1945**

It is the main deliberative, policy making and a representative organ of all 193 members.

It meets annually in **September** in its HQ **New York**.

Decisions are taken by **majority**. (Some by special & some by simple majority). The UNGA

President holds a **1 Year Term**.

## UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL



**Formed in: 1945**

**Objective:** To maintain international peace & security.

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**Membership:** 15 (5 Permanent & 10 Non Permanent).

All member states are obligated to comply with council decisions.

**Powers:**

- Can impose sanctions.
- Authorise the use of force to maintain or restore international peace.

## INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE (ICJ)



It is the **Principal judicial organ of UN.**

**HQ:** Hague, Netherlands.

**Members:** 15. (Decision by relative majority)

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### Role:

- To settle, in accordance with international law, legal disputes, submitted to it by states.
- Give advisory opinions on legal questions referred to it by authorised UN Organs & specialised agencies.

## UN SECRETARIAT



**Headed by:** Secretary General.

**Role:** Carry out day to day work (organisation of conferences, preparation of budget, etc) of UN as mandated by UNGA & other principal organs.

**Chief Administrative Officer** is appointed by UNGA on the recommendation of UNSC for a 5 years term. (aka **UN Secretary General**—UNs foremost representative). He is appointed for

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a term of 5 years. (Actually the length is discretionary, but since 1971, there is a convention of 5 year term)

## ECONOMIC & SOCIAL COUNCIL (ECOSOC)



It is the principal body for coordination, policy review, policy dialogue & recommendations on economic, social & environmental issues and implementation of internationally agreed development goals. It serves as a central mechanism for activities of the UN system & its specialised agencies in the economic, social & environmental fields. (Sustainable development).

**Members:** 54 (elected by UNGA)

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