

**Permanent Mission of India to the United Nations
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PRESS RELEASE

Today, the Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations in New York Ambassador Ruchira Kamboj, handed over India's voluntary financial contribution of half a million dollars towards the Counter Terrorism Trust Fund (CTTF) to Mr Valdimir Voronkov, Under Secretary General, United Nations Office of Counter Terrorism (UNOCT). Dr S. Jaishankar, the External Affairs Minister of India had announced during the Special Meeting of the Counter Terrorism Committee in New Delhi on 29 October 2022, of India's contribution to the Counter Terrorism Trust Fund.

2. The contribution will support UNOCT's global programs – Countering Financing of Terrorism (CFT) and Countering Terrorist Travel Programme (CTTP) aimed at building capacities of the members states of Eastern and Southern Africa to combat financing of terrorism and stem movement and travel of terrorists. Addressing the issue of growing threat of terrorism in Africa is one of the counter terrorism priorities of India, in past few years. India has been supporting these programs since 2018, and with the current contribution, India's the cumulative financial support to the CTTF stands at \$2.05 million.

3. India attaches great importance to the mandate and the work of the UNOCT in capacity building of member states so that they can achieve necessary capabilities to deal with the threat of terrorism effectively. The present contribution reaffirms India's steadfast commitment to support multilateral efforts led by the United Nations to combat the threat of terrorism.

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