



**STATEMENT BY DELEGATION OF SINGAPORE DURING THE  
UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW (UPR) WORKING GROUP  
SESSION ON INDIA ON 24 MAY 2012**

Madam President,

1 Singapore commends the quality report prepared by India for its UPR. The report sets out clearly the pluralistic context in which India has maintained a high degree of harmony despite the size and diversity of its population. This is no mean feat. We support India's abiding commitment to promote racial and religious tolerance to maintain social harmony.

2 Singapore also congratulates India for its remarkable success in sustaining rapid economic growth since the 1990s, thereby lifting tens of millions of people out of poverty. In advancing the economic well-being of its people, India has made significant strides in advancing its people's most fundamental rights to food, housing, education, health and so on – and enhancing their human dignity. There have been positive trends in many social development indicators, showing progress towards the Millennium Development Goals. We **recommend** that India continues to advance the progress already underway on poverty eradication and improve the enjoyment of the most basic human rights of its people, especially women and children.

3 Singapore joins the many friends of India in wishing it well in further promoting the human rights of its people.

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