

**Intervention by India at the 46th session of the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) Working Group (29 April-10 May 2024): 4th UPR of Slovakia, delivered by**

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**Madam Vice President,**

1. India thanks the delegation of Slovakia for the presentation of its National Report.

2. We note with appreciation the adoption of the Conceptual Framework for Countering Radicalisation and Extremism, aimed at promoting the democratic rule of law and rejecting any manifestations of extremism and hate speech based on nationality, race, ethnicity, religion, or other intolerance.

3. We also note with appreciation the adoption of the National Action Plan for the Prevention and Elimination of Violence against Women 2022-27 with measures aimed at preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence.

4. However, we remain concerned by the cross-cutting impact of corruption on human rights in Slovakia.

5. In the spirit of constructive dialogue, India recommends the following:

One, ensure access to inclusive education for children with disabilities.

Two, strengthen efforts to increase enrolment in tertiary education, and pursue efforts to ensure non-discrimination in education; and

Three, enhance efforts to combat corruption.

6. We wish the delegation of Slovakia all success in its review.

 **Thank you.**