

Key Points

- The Maldives was thrashed by Indonesia in the UN Security Council vote.
- India [had given at least three assurances](#) that it would vote for the Maldives for a non-permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council, India's ambassador to the Maldives told *The Hindu*.
- Although the [Maldives was thrashed](#) by Indonesia, netting 46 votes to its rival's 144, the envoy still claimed afterward that his nation had enjoyed its neighbor's support.
- But India voted against the Maldives as well as ensuring that the tiny nation would be roundly thumped, the *Times of India* reported Tuesday

"Malé, at one stage, was claiming to have support from 60 countries in writing and 30 verbally.

"To many though, the claim that India voted for the Maldives, ignoring Indonesia, in these circumstances stretched the limits of credulity. Indonesia, a leading ASEAN member state, had sought support from India for its candidature during PM [Narendra Modi](#)'s visit to Jakarta just ahead of the voting."

Answers to the question, Did India vote for the Maldives or Indonesia in the recent election for the temporary seat of the UN Security Council? has been found. The Maldives continued to claim support for India but it is being said that the government voted against it. Diplomatic sources told that India not only voted in Indonesia's favor but also ensured that the performance of its neighboring Maldives in the Indian Ocean was fading.

Eventually, for the Asia-Pacific Seat, Indonesia wins the Maldives by winning big margins. During the elections held on June 8, the Maldives received support from only 46 countries, while Indonesia got the support of 144 countries. Detailed information shows that India not only voted against the Maldives but also ensured that its base of small island countries also weakened. The impact of this is that the last Telly of the Maldives is significantly below its expectations.

First penalty action against the Maldives

India had also spoken of supporting the Maldives earlier, but this move is being seen as the first punitive action against the Maldives. Indeed, in the time of President Abdullah Yameen, the Maldives is working against India's security interests in the Indian Ocean. Some

decisions of the Maldives have also passed on to India. Two helicopters gifted by India have asked the Maldives to withdraw from the end of June. At the same time, officials have been instructed to stop work permits for Indians.

In India, the ambassador of the Maldives Ahmad Mohammad continued to claim support for India. He had told the Times of India that India has given assurances to give written support to the Maldives. On the other hand, before Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Jakarta, Indonesia had sought support from India. Last week, India had targeted the Yemen government to punish the political prisoners of the trial without breaking the silence on the Maldives political situation.

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