India re-elected to UNESCO executive board for 2021-25 term

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India recently was re-elected to the executive board of the UN's cultural and education organisation for the 2021-25 term with 164 votes. India was re-elected to Group IV of Asian and Pacific States which also include Japan, Philippines, Vietnam, Cook Islands and China.

Key Highlights

- The executive board of the UN's cultural and educational organisation is one of three constitutional organs of the UN agency. The other two are the General Conference and the Secretariat. The General Conference elects members of the executive board.
- The UNESCO Executive Board is one of the three constitutional organs of the UN agency (the others being the General Conference and the Secretariat) and it is elected by the General Conference.
- The executive board consists of 58 member-states, each with a four-year term. It examines the programme of work for the organisation and corresponding budget estimates submitted to it by the director-general, according to the Unesco website.
- The board representative exercises the power delegated to it by the General Conference and deals with the questions with which it is entrusted.

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