



# Encouraging mediation to settle disputes

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## Highlights

- Importance of mediation
  - The adoption of the convention will address a policy gap on outcomes from the mediation process involving cross-border disputes.
  - With a definitive legal framework recognising and enforcing mediated settlement agreements, businesses will be encouraged to consider mediation in managing and resolving disputes that arise in their commercial transactions.
  - India has lost substantial earnings as a result of international disputes being taken for resolution outside the country.
  - Strengthening the dispute resolution policies will encourage dispute resolution in India.
- UNCITRAL has formulated principles on which countries should recognise and enforce mediation agreements arising from cross-border disputes. Once formalised, countries will have a consistent framework for enforcing mediation agreements made in other countries.
- Businesses, in turn, have turned to mediation as the first step in resolving differences that arise in their international disputes. The convention is opportune and will facilitate legal reform to ease dispute resolution.

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