

Israel offers 'limitless' help to fight terror

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New Delhi: Israel has offered unconditional help to India in defending itself, especially against terrorism, asserting that "there is no limit" to its assistance, an assurance which assumes significance amid demands that the government consider Israeli-type retaliation to terror strikes. The comments by newly-appointed Israeli envoy Dr Ron Malka came in response to a query on up to what extent Jerusalem will go to help India. The Israeli military is known for its precise and quick strikes.

"Whatever India needs to defend itself. There is no limit. We are here to help our close friend India to defend itself specially against terror because terror is the problem of the world and not only of India and Israel," Malka said in an interview early last week. The 52-year old Malka said PM Benjamin Netanyahu told him that India was a very "important partner, very important friend".

The ambassador also asserted that his country has no diplomatic ties with Pakistan and therefore, does not engage bilaterally in any activity with them. PTI

