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ABSTRACT (11pt, Bold)

The abstract should provide a concise summary of your research, including the purpose, methodology, key findings, and implications for peace and development studies. Limit the abstract to 200 words maximum. Do not include references, citations, or equations in the abstract. Focus on clearly communicating how your research contributes to understanding peace, sustainable development, education, or security issues, particularly in relation to UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs 1, 4, 5, 8, 10, 16, and 17).

KEYWORDS (11pt, Bold) - List five to seven keywords in alphabetical order, separated by commas. Include terms relevant to peace studies, development, education, or security research.

1. INTRODUCTION (11pt, Bold)

The introduction should establish the context and significance of your research within the fields of peace and development studies. Clearly articulate:

- The nature of the problem or research question
- Relevant previous scholarship and how your work builds upon or challenges existing knowledge
- The purpose and objectives of your study
- The theoretical framework or conceptual approach
- The contribution your research makes to peace studies, sustainable development, education, or security
- How your work relates to relevant UN Sustainable Development Goals
- The structure of the paper

Ensure your introduction demonstrates the multidisciplinary nature of your research and its relevance to global challenges in peace and development.

2. HEADINGS AND SUBHEADINGS (11pt, Bold)

All major headings should be numbered sequentially (1, 2, 3, etc.) and formatted in 11pt bold font, aligned flush left. Use upper and lower case letters (sentence case).

2.1 Subheadings (10pt, Bold)

Subheadings are numbered as 2.1, 2.2, etc., and formatted in 10pt bold font, flush left.

2.1.1 Sub-subheadings (10pt, Regular)

If further division is necessary, use numbering such as 2.1.1, 2.1.2, etc., formatted in 10pt regular font. Do not underline headings or add decorative elements such as dashes or colons.

3. FORMATTING GUIDELINES (11pt, Bold)

3.1 Page Setup

- Paper Size: A4 (21.0 cm × 29.7 cm)
- Margins: Adhere strictly to the specified margins to maintain uniformity
- Font: Times New Roman throughout
- Line Spacing: As specified in the template

3.2 Paragraphs and Indentation

The first paragraph under each heading or subheading should be flush left with no indentation. Subsequent paragraphs within the same section should have a five-space (approximately 0.5 cm) indentation.

3.3 Equations and Mathematical Notation

When presenting equations:

- Insert a colon before the equation
- Do not add punctuation after the equation
- Number all equations sequentially
- Place equation numbers in round brackets, aligned to the right margin
- Refer to equations in text as "equation (1)", "equation (2)", etc.

Example: The relationship between peace and development can be expressed as:

$$P = f(D, E, S) \quad (1)$$

Where P represents peace indicators, D represents development metrics, E represents educational factors, and S represents security conditions.

4. FIGURES AND TABLES (11pt, Bold)

4.1 Figures

All figures must be of high quality and professionally prepared using computer software or India ink drafting techniques.

Figure Formatting:

- Number figures sequentially in order of appearance (Fig. 1, Fig. 2, etc.)
- Place figure captions below the figure
- Align captions flush left
- Use sentence case for captions
- Refer to figures in text as "Fig. 1", "Fig. 2", etc.

Example: Fig. 1. Correlation between educational investment and peace indicators across 50 countries (2010-2020)

4.2 Tables

Tables should present data clearly and support your research findings related to peace and development.

Table Formatting:

- Number tables sequentially in order of appearance (Table 1, Table 2, etc.)
- Place table captions above the table
- Center-align captions
- Use upper and lower case letters (sentence case)
- Refer to tables in text as "Table 1", "Table 2", etc. (always capitalize "Table")

5. CITATIONS AND REFERENCES (11pt, Bold)

5.1 In-Text Citations

Use numbered citations in square brackets [1], [2], etc. Number references sequentially in the order they first appear in the text, NOT alphabetically. When citing multiple sources, use [1, 2, 3] or [1-3] for consecutive references.

5.2 Reference List

The reference list appears at the end of the manuscript under the heading "REFERENCES" (not numbered). Include only sources cited in the text.

Journal Articles:

Author(s), Article title, Journal Name, Volume(Issue), Year, Page range.

Example: M. Galtung, Positive and negative peace: Conceptual frameworks for understanding conflict transformation, *Journal of Peace Research*, 45(3), 2008, 282-295.

Books:

Author(s), Book title (Place of publication: Publisher, Year).

Example: A. Sen, *Development as freedom* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999).

Edited Book Chapters:

Author(s), Chapter title, in Editor(s) (Ed./Eds.), Book title (Place: Publisher, Year)

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Example: P. Collier, Economic causes of civil conflict and their implications for policy, in C.A. Crocker, F.O. Hampson, and P. Aall (Eds.), *Turbulent peace: The challenges of managing international conflict* (Washington, DC: United States Institute of Peace Press, 2001) 143-162.

Theses and Dissertations:

Author, Thesis title, doctoral diss./master's thesis, University Name, Location, Year.

Example: R. Kumar, Education as a pathway to sustainable peace: A comparative study of post-conflict societies, doctoral diss., University of Oxford, Oxford, UK, 2020.

Conference Proceedings:

Author(s), Paper title, Proc. Conference Name, Location, Year, Page range.

Example: L. Chen, Gender equality and sustainable development: An empirical analysis, Proc. International Conference on Peace and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland, 2023, 78-85.

Reports and Policy Documents:

Organization, Report title (Place: Publisher, Year).

Example: United Nations Development Programme, Human Development Report 2023:

Uncertain times, unsettled lives (New York: UNDP, 2023).

Note: Italicize journal names, volume numbers, and book titles as shown in the examples.

6. CONCLUSION (11pt, Bold)

The conclusion is a mandatory section that should:

- Synthesize the main findings of your research
- Clearly indicate the advantages and contributions of your work to peace and development studies
- Acknowledge limitations of the study
- Discuss practical applications for policymakers, practitioners, or educators
- Suggest directions for future research
- Reflect on implications for UN Sustainable Development Goals where relevant

Do not simply replicate your abstract. Instead, elaborate on the significance of your work and its potential impact on understanding or advancing peace, sustainable development, education, or security.

7. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS (11pt, Bold)

This optional section appears after the conclusion. Use this section to:

- Acknowledge funding sources and grant numbers
- Thank individuals who contributed to the research but are not listed as authors
- Recognize institutional support
- Declare any potential conflicts of interest

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