



# Combating Climate Change Through the UPR

The Universal Periodic Review (UPR) is a mechanism of the Human Rights Council that reviews the human rights situation in all UN Member States. States provide recommendations for improving their practices in this area.

Although it is a state-led process, the UPR offers significant opportunities for civil society actors to engage and advocate for enhanced human rights in their countries.

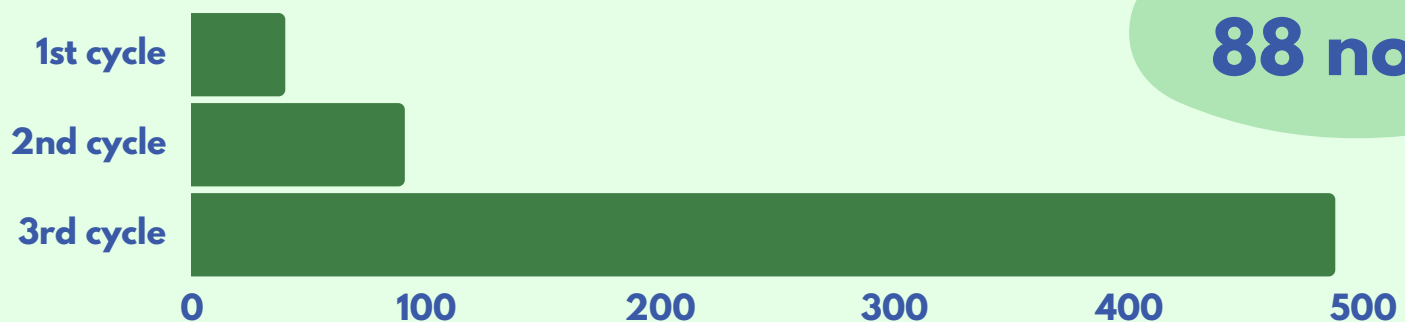
Since its establishment, 995 recommendations related to climate change have been made in the UPR.

Overall recommendations supported

**897**

**88 noted**

## Number of recommendations addressing climate change per UPR cycle



So far, in the 4th UPR cycle (2022-2027) there have been 371 recommendations on the topic, out of which 227 were supported and 31 noted.

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Climate change undermines sustainable development by destabilising societies, threatening food and water security, and increasing extreme weather events. It also hinders gender equality (SDG 5) and limits access to fair and adequate health care (SDG 3).

States can either support or note UPR recommendations. By supporting them, States commit to implementing those measures.

UPR recommendations can be utilised by civil society actors in their advocacy efforts at the national level in fighting climate change.

## Examples of UPR recommendations addressing climate change

Bahamas



Bangladesh



*144.198 Strengthen efforts to increase public awareness and educational programmes about the impact of climate change and the importance of environmental conservation.*

*139.105 Align its nationally determined contributions with the Paris Agreement goal of limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels*



Marshall Islands

Republic of Korea

The UPR can reinforce recommendations from the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and other international climate obligations

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