



Eradicating Poverty 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.

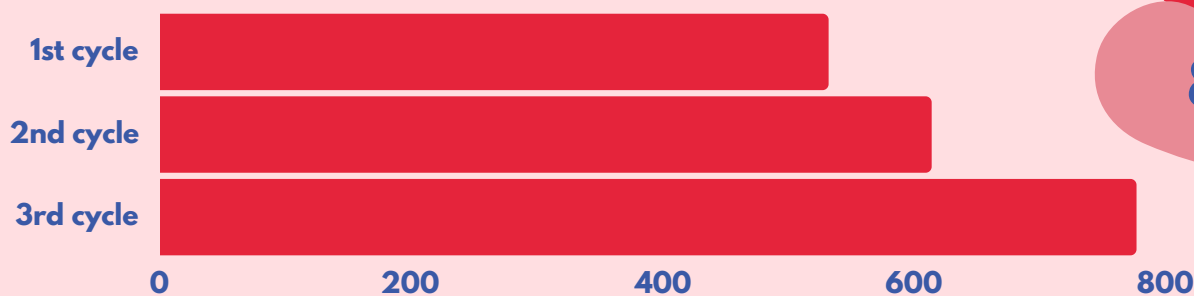
Since its establishment, **2377** recommendations addressing poverty have been made in the UPR.

Overall recommendations supported

2256

85 noted

Number of recommendations addressing poverty per UPR cycle



So far, in the 4th UPR cycle (2022-2027) there have been 219 recommendations on the topic, out of which 162 were supported and 57 noted.

1 NO POVERTY



Poverty undermines access to education, healthcare, and decent work, directly threatening sustainable development goals (SDGs 1, 3, and 8). It perpetuates inequality, hinders economic growth, and weakens social cohesion, challenging the foundations of inclusive and resilient societies.

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 working towards eradicating poverty.

Examples of UPR recommendations addressing poverty

The Gambia



Eritrea



132.177 Develop and implement targeted poverty reduction programmes that ensure women's access to essential services, including health care, education, clean water and electricity.

134.79 Make appropriate and transparent budget allocations for poverty alleviation, primary education, basic health care and sanitation, to realize fundamental economic and social rights, particularly in respect of the poorest, and fully account for all social spending (Sweden);



Sweden



Equatorial Guinea

The UPR can reinforce obligations under the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR)

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