

THE SDGs AND HUMAN RIGHTS

STATUS OF UPR RECOMMENDATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES

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EGYPT

Universal Periodic Review Fast Facts ⁽¹⁾

- **Last Review:** November 2014 (2nd Cycle); **Final Report of the Working Group:** 24 December 2014 (A/HRC/28/16)
- **Mid-Term Reporting:** May 2017
- **National Consultation:** May 2018
- **NGO Report Drafting:** January 2019 – 21 March 2019
- **Next Review:** November 2019

Status of Core International Human Rights Conventions in Egypt ⁽²⁾

KEY	Ratified	
	Ratified with Declarations	
	Ratified with Reservations	
	Ratified with Reservations and Declarations	
	Signed but not Ratified	
	No Action	
	Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment and Punishment (CAT)	
	Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC)	
	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (CCPR)	
	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (CESCR)	
	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)	
	International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (CERD)	
	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)	
	International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (CMW)	
	Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (CCPR-OP2-DP)	
	Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (CED)	

Accepted UPR Recommendations: An Opportunity for Action and Engagement

A state has a responsibility to implement all recommendations it has accepted before the Human Rights Council as a demonstration of their commitment to protecting and promoting Human Rights. Following the last Universal Periodic Review (UPR) of Egypt in November 2014 and in preparation for the next review scheduled for November 2019, Egypt has accepted to implement several UPR recommendations. Below is a selection of supported UPR recommendations aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):^{(3) (4)}



Ensure equal access of girls and women to all levels and fields of education.

Continue its various programmes to enhance the people's right to education, especially in the eradication of illiteracy, by cooperating with the specific governorates, civil society organizations as well as other international organizations.



Intensify efforts to empower and improve the status of women in society and adopt additional measures to eliminate all forms of discrimination against women, promote their literacy, ensure equal treatment and safe environment for women in the workplace and combat gender-based violence.

Continue its policy to empower women and respect and protect their rights, including the fight against female genital mutilation.

Increase the number of women in law enforcement agencies, including the police department.

Continue to strengthen the empowerment of women in all areas of public life .

Enhance parliamentary representation of women in accordance with the new Constitution.



Make more efforts to create job opportunities for youth by taking the necessary measures.

Continue to work to ensure equal rights for women in the workplace through its institutions, norms and public policies.

Consider amendments to its Labour Code to cover and protect domestic workers and prohibit exploitative form of domestic work.

Continue with its efforts to combat short- and long-term unemployment, in consultation with the private sector and the providers of education.



Encourage initiatives aimed at promoting respect and religious tolerance and cultural diversity.

Continue to support people with disabilities to participate in decisions about their fundamental rights.



Maintain its efforts towards strengthening the national institutions working in the area of the protection and promotion of human rights.

Establish trainings for police officers on children's rights, to ensure that these act appropriately towards child victims or delinquents.

Continue working on the reform and improvement of prisons and detention centres in accordance with international norms on this issue.

Ensure that all detainees are protected from torture or other ill-treatment and that detention conditions meet the Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners and the Basic Principles for the Treatment of Prisoners.

Continue efforts to promote good governance, political dialogue and actions in favour of peace.