

# What we do in Turkey

*"Our experience proves that it is essential to reach all segments of society and to use different venues to promote a human rights culture and protect the rights of citizens, particularly vulnerable groups such as women and children." Kamal Malhotra, UNDP Resident Representative in Turkey*

UNDP has been active in Turkey since its establishment. Our country office is in Ankara and we have project offices in 6 cities.

## In Turkey, UNDP focuses on:

<b>1</b> Inclusive and Sustainable Growth	<b>2</b> Inclusive and Democratic Governance	<b>3</b> Climate Change and Environment
Economic Growth and Competitiveness	Rule of Law and Human Rights	Natural Resource Management
Local Economic Development	Integrated Border Management	Climate Change and Disaster Resilience
Social Policies and Services	Women's Empowerment and Gender Equality	
	Responsive and Accountable Institutions	



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## Working for Sustainable and Inclusive Human Development



Helping to achieve the eradication of poverty, and the reduction of inequalities and exclusion.



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# Who we are, what we do, and who we do it with

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), as the UN's development network, helps in the development of policies, leadership skills, partnering abilities, institutional capabilities and resilience building, in order to sustain development results.



We offer our expertise in development thinking and practice, and decades of experience at country level, to support countries in meeting their development aspirations. We help bring the voices of the world's peoples into deliberations.

We work in close partnership with all levels of governments, local authorities, as well as national and international institutions, including non-governmental organizations (NGOs), academia and the business community.





## Our areas of work

### We work with;

- ✓ Government
- ✓ Local Authorities
- ✓ Civil Society
- ✓ Business Organisations, Chambers, Bars and Unions
- ✓ Private Sector
- ✓ Academia
- ✓ International Partners

### Our aim;

Promoting the protection of human rights; the empowerment of women; climate change adaptation and mitigation; building resilience and supporting sustainable growth in all our programs.



### Inclusive and Sustainable Growth

The Inclusive and Sustainable Growth portfolio aims to address structural issues critical to national competitiveness, paying full attention to inclusiveness and sustainability.

We collaborate with the Government, civil society and the private sector to contribute to the eradication of regional disparities, to improve rural livelihoods, to enhance competitiveness, and to boost entrepreneurship and innovation.

Our initiatives supporting green growth not only help to improve sustainable economic growth, but also contribute to the Turkish economy, making it more productive, competitive and resilient.

We advocate for stronger participation of women and youth in the economy. Human Development is our *raison d'être* as well as the glue that holds our work on inclusive and sustainable growth together.

At the heart of our work on Inclusive and Sustainable Growth, there are three pillars:

- Competitiveness and Economic Growth
- Local Economic Development
- Social Policies and Services

### Inclusive and Democratic Governance

The Inclusive and Democratic Governance portfolio aims to contribute to strengthening governance processes and institutions that are responsive to citizens' demands and universal norms.

It addresses structural issues pertaining to the rule of law and human rights including with respect to gender, participation and accountability.

Support is provided to the relevant institutions to enable improved access to justice and to enhance implementation of local administration reforms in line with the subsidiarity principle.

Building on past records of impartiality, promotion of innovation in governance, and the UN's role as a guardian of international norms, UNDP contributes to strengthening the independence of institutions, particularly judicial actors and national human rights mechanisms.

At the heart of our work on Inclusive and Democratic Governance, there are four pillars:

- Rule of Law and Human Rights
- Integrated Border Management
- Women's Empowerment and Gender Equality
- Responsive and Accountable Institutions

### Climate Change and Environment

The Climate Change and Environment portfolio aims to ensure the voice and participation of all stakeholders on environmental issues and enable the valuation and sharing of the benefits of ecosystem services.

It focuses on strengthening the capacity to prevent and respond to environmental degradation, particularly in relation to biodiversity, forest management and chemical waste prevention and management.

Climate change adaptation and mitigation action are implemented across sectors and initiatives to strengthen systems and tools for risk-centered and integrated disaster management and increase the resilience of society. These actions take account of differentiated gender impacts.

At the heart of our work on Climate Change and Environment, there are two pillars:

- Natural Resource Management
- Climate Change and Disaster Resilience