



SDGs UPDATE

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HIGHLIGHTS



SDGs Section
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UN75 2020 September
Update
(Global)



Meetings & Trainings on
SDGs
(Federal)

Current
Updates

Updates of the Unit
(Federal)



Provincial
Activities at Glance
(Federal/Provincial)

Important Days Related to SDGs in September



High-level Meeting to Commemorate the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the United Nations was dedicated to all Sustainable development goals SDGs. Countries are raising awareness and discussing issues in the present times of COVID-19 to strengthen the progress for SDGs 2030 Agenda. The important dates to remember are: 21 September 2020 and 26 October 2020. To Participate:

Take the one-minute survey and share it widely: www.un75.online
Check out the [UN75 toolkit](#) with guidelines on [how to join](#), and inspire conversations and amplify voices through channels and communities for people to talk and be heard. We will be adding more information on online dialogues in the coming days

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National Stakeholder's Consultation Meeting on Development of M&R System for SDG 3

The meeting was held on 29th & 30th September 2020 with objectives to enhance coordination between stakeholders to identify data issues, suggest and share actions required to reduce SDGs Reporting gap. SDG 3 health related targets and indicators were kept on priority. Representing working groups of MoPD&SI, MoNHSR&C, Provincial health Departments (both Health and SDGs) & WHO were present. Enabling of Comprehensive review, annual monitoring and reporting on all SDG localized indicators with well-defined targets, frequency and reliable data collection systems were discussed. Federal SDGs Unit was represented by Mr. Nadeem Ahmed, who is the Social policy Advisor at SDGs Support Unit and Mr Saleh Muhammad who is the Assistant Chief SDGs Section at the Planning Commission. Full support and extended cooperation with all stakeholders was guaranteed throughout the process by unit.



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Meeting of UNDP's Deputy Resident Representative and Secretary MoPD&SI

An overview meeting of the project on National Initiative for SDGs in Pakistan was held on 22nd September 2020. The meeting was chaired by The Secretary MoPD&SI. The project of SDGs under Planning Commission & UNDP was discussed and progress updates & briefing was done by both the Federal SDGs Unit and UNDP Development Policy Unit. Deputy Resident Representative Ms. Aliona Niculita, Mr. Umer Akhlaq (Policy Analyst DPU), Federal SDGs Support Unit Social policy Advisor; Mr. Nadeem Ahmed, Member SS&D and Chief SDGs also briefed about the project progress and expected outcomes of the project.



Updates from the Provincial Units

Updates from the Federal Unit

AJ&K SDGs Unit has prepared a report on "Implementation of SDGs in AJ&K and Way Forward".



Meeting for Strengthening the Monitoring & Evaluation of SDGs

Planning Commission & Federal SDGs unit strongly focused on the Monitoring & Evaluation of the SDGs. For this purpose UNICEF Pakistan & Federal SDGs Unit organized the meeting held on 16th September 2020 and September 23rd 2020 respectively. It was chaired by the Member SS&D, Chief SDGs and members of the Federal SDGs Unit from UNDP and UNICEF. Core importance was given on the framework development of M&E. Presentation was given on the development of "Evaluation handbook". Another important task discussed was towards National Framework for developing Monitoring Evaluation and Research Policy which would support the SDGs in long run. The meetings were fruitful considering the on going finalization of the SDGs Dashboard. And extending of the support from various sources including this Monitoring & Evaluation of SDGs.



This report is designed to present an overview of the implementation of SDGs in AJ&K and to assist Azad Jammu & Kashmir Legislative Assembly (AJ&KLA) Members, government departments, civil society, academia, youth, private businesses, marginalized segment of the society and other relevant stakeholders to establish and develop close liaison with stakeholders. This stakeholder list includes Legislative Assembly, government line departments, academia, civil society organizations (CSOs), non-governmental organizations (NGOs), media, youth, minorities, the private sector etc.

- Understand the opportunities and challenges present in implementation of the SDGs in AJ&K;
- Understand the processes and systems through which SDGs are being institutionalized in AJ&K;
- Identify strategies, mechanisms and partnerships to support the implementation of SDGs more effectively;
- Gauge the progress on SDGs since the adoption of the 2030 Agenda including AJ&K's governance and implementation mechanisms

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#SDG1 has the most important connection with all other goals. If we don't eradicate poverty, no other SDG is possible to achieve. These Words by the Hon.Kofi Aanan (7th S.G of the UN) play a role of recalling "whats important" and taking action for poverty eradication.



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