

Final Preparations & Guidance for the 2025 HLPF



Our plan for today:

To make final preparations for the “JCoR SDG/ODS/ODD Lab” sessions:

- Review schedule
- Collect final preferences for speakers
- Review tips for speakers
- Review where to find your government’s written VNR report

Offer guidance & recommendations on HLPF participation:

- HLPF programme schedule
- Where to watch online
- Recommended events
- Social media engagement



Final Preparations for the “JCoR SDG Lab”

Session schedule for the “JCoR SDG Lab” during the 2025 HLPF

The Lab will consist of one session dedicated to each of this year's priority SDGs:

- 28 July: SDG 3 (quality healthcare and well-being)
- 29 July: SDG 5 (gender equality)
- 30 July: SDG 8 (decent work & sustainable economies)
- 31 July: SDG 14 (healthy aquatic ecosystems)
- 1 August: SDG 17 (partnerships for the SDGs)

All sessions: 9:00 – 11:00 (New York time)
(13:00-15:00 Universal Coordinated Time)



Your participation in the “JCoR SDG Lab”

As a JCoR delegate, you are asked to participate in at least one session of the lab in one of the following ways:

- Offering your personal observations or a critique of your national progress toward the selected SDG/ODS
- Offering a critique of your government's Voluntary National Review report on the selected SDG/ODS
- Presenting a ministry project of your congregation that contributes to progress toward the selected SDG/ODS
- Some combination of the above



Your participation in the “JCoR SDG Lab”



About which of the priority SDGs do you feel called to speak during the JCoR SDG Lab?

- 28 July: SDG 3 (quality healthcare and well-being)
- 29 July: SDG 5 (gender equality)
- 30 July: SDG 8 (decent work & sustainable economies)
- 31 July: SDG 14 (healthy aquatic ecosystems)
- 1 August: SDG 17 (partnerships for the SDGs)

(Submit your reply NOW if you have not already done so)

“JCoR SDG/ODS/ODD Lab” Reminders:

- Register for each Lab session separately:
 - 28 July: SDG 3 (quality healthcare and well-being) <http://bit.ly/3TITK0K>
 - 29 July: SDG 5 (gender equality) <https://bit.ly/4emArUy>
 - 30 July: SDG 8 (decent work & sustainable economies) <https://bit.ly/4lo7k5v>
 - 31 July: SDG 14 (healthy aquatic ecosystems) <http://bit.ly/3I020Hf>
 - 1 August: SDG 17 (partnerships for the SDGs) <https://bit.ly/45F8WDu>
- 4 languages available: English, Spanish, French, Portuguese
- We will record the events and share them on the JCoR YouTube channel after the HLPF
- Lab sessions are open to the public; please invite members of your congregations, friends, and partners to attend!



Actions to Take BEFORE the “Lab”:

- **3 days before your session:** If you have any video, images, or presentation slides you wish to share while speaking, send a copy to Teresa. (If you want help displaying your material on the screen while you speak, please inform Teresa when you submit the material to her.)
- **3 days before your session:** Send a written text or notes that you will use in your presentation to Teresa. (This text does not need to include the exact words you will speak but at least provide a general outline or notes that capture the key points of your sharing. These will be very helpful for the interpretation team to have in advance of each session, the sooner the better.)
- **If you are worried about whether you will have a stable internet connection or electricity** on the day of your session: please record yourself sharing your comments via a camera on a phone or computer and email the recording to Teresa 3 days before your session
- Plan to join the session 15 minutes before the start time
- For best quality of image, try to seat yourself with a brighter light shining on your face than any light that is behind you and attempt to place the camera of your phone or computer at your eye level or slightly higher.

Guidance on Speaking DURING the “Lab”:

- Using a computer to connect to the Zoom room is preferable to a phone if you have the option.
- Remember to join your preferred language channel when you arrive in the Zoom room.
- If your internet connection is strong enough, plan to have your camera on when you are speaking. If you find that your internet connection is weak when you are attempting to present, try turning off your camera. (If you have any concerns about your personal security and wish to make your presentation anonymously, please inform me now. I will ensure we do not identify you by name and we will keep your camera off during the Lab.)
- Keep your microphone muted when you are not speaking
- When speaking, please do your best to remember that three people are interpreting your words into other languages. Speak slowly and as clearly as you can.





**Where to find and critique
your government's
Voluntary National
Review report for the
2025 HLPF**

Where to find your Government's Voluntary National Review report

- “Main messages” of each nation’s VNR: have been available since May
- Full written reports for 2025: now available on **HLPF website’s VNR Database**



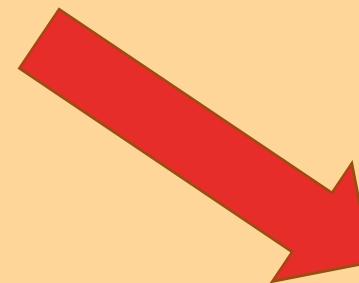
Where to find your Government's Voluntary National Review reports:

<https://hlpf.un.org/countries?f%5B0%5D=year%3A2025>



Where to find your Government's Voluntary National Review reports:

<https://hlpf.un.org/countries?f%5B0%5D=year%3A2025>



UN India | High-Level Political Forum

https://hlpf.un.org/countries/india

Welcome to the United Nations

United Nations

High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development

Search A-Z Site Index

India

Voluntary National Reviews 2025

Voluntary National Review 2020

Voluntary National Review 2017

Documents & Reports

India Focal Point

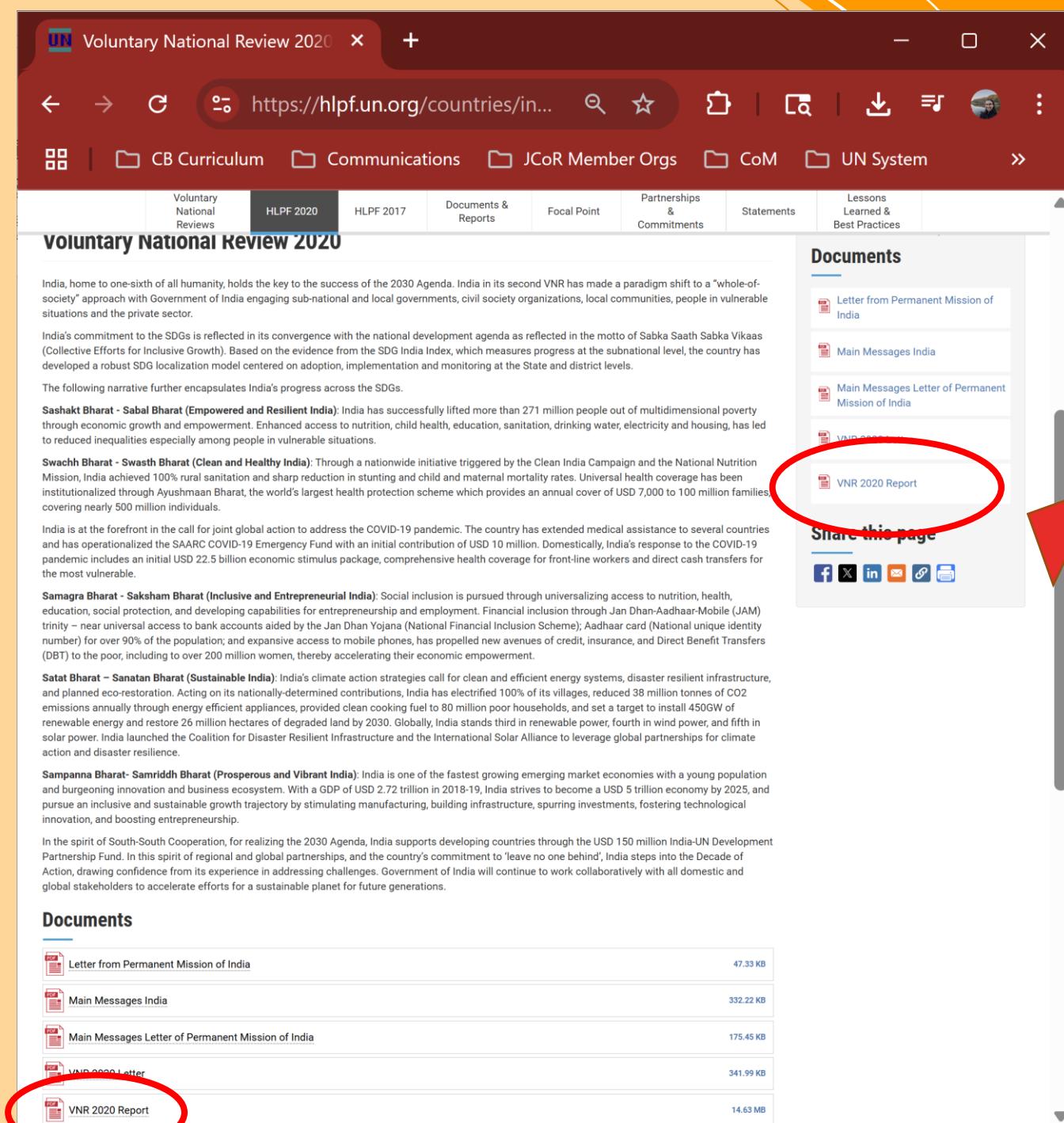
Ambassador Tanmaya Lal Deputy Permanent Representative Permanent Mission of India to the United Nations New York Mr. Manish Chauhan Joint Secretary (UNES) Ministry of External Affairs Government of

The screenshot shows the UN High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) website for India. The URL in the browser is https://hlpf.un.org/countries/india. The page title is "Welcome to the United Nations". The header includes the United Nations logo and the text "High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development". A search bar and an "A-Z Site Index" link are also present. The main content area is titled "India". Below it, a horizontal bar shows "Voluntary National Reviews" (highlighted with a red oval), "HLPF 2020", "HLPF 2017", "Documents & Reports", "Focal Point", "Partnerships & Commitments", "Statements", and "Lessons Learned & Best Practices". The "Voluntary National Reviews" section is expanded, showing "Voluntary National Reviews 2025", "Voluntary National Review 2020", and "Voluntary National Review 2017". The "Documents & Reports" section is also visible. The "India Focal Point" section at the bottom is mentioned as being held by Ambassador Tanmaya Lal. A large Indian flag graphic is on the right side of the page.



Where to find your Government's Voluntary National Review reports:

<https://hlpf.un.org/countries?f%5B0%5D=year%3A2025>



The screenshot shows a web browser window for the UN Voluntary National Review 2020. The URL is https://hlpf.un.org/countries/in... The page title is "Voluntary National Review 2020". The main content discusses India's progress across various SDGs, mentioning initiatives like Sabka Saath Sabka Vikas, Swachh Bharat, and Samagra Bharat. The right sidebar is titled "Documents" and lists several files, with "VNR 2020 Report" highlighted by a red circle. A red arrow points from the JCoR logo down to this report. Another red circle highlights the "VNR 2020 Report" link in the sidebar.

Voluntary National Reviews

HLPF 2020

HLPF 2017

Documents & Reports

Focal Point

Partnerships & Commitments

Statements

Lessons Learned & Best Practices

Voluntary National Review 2020

India, home to one-sixth of all humanity, holds the key to the success of the 2030 Agenda. India in its second VNR has made a paradigm shift to a "whole-of-society" approach with Government of India engaging sub-national and local governments, civil society organizations, local communities, people in vulnerable situations and the private sector.

India's commitment to the SDGs is reflected in its convergence with the national development agenda as reflected in the motto of Sabka Saath Sabka Vikas (Collective Efforts for Inclusive Growth). Based on the evidence from the SDG India Index, which measures progress at the subnational level, the country has developed a robust SDG localization model centered on adoption, implementation and monitoring at the State and district levels.

The following narrative further encapsulates India's progress across the SDGs.

Sashakt Bharat - Sabal Bharat (Empowered and Resilient India): India has successfully lifted more than 271 million people out of multidimensional poverty through economic growth and empowerment. Enhanced access to nutrition, child health, education, sanitation, drinking water, electricity and housing, has led to reduced inequalities especially among people in vulnerable situations.

Swachh Bharat - Swasth Bharat (Clean and Healthy India): Through a nationwide initiative triggered by the Clean India Campaign and the National Nutrition Mission, India achieved 100% rural sanitation and sharp reduction in stunting and child and maternal mortality rates. Universal health coverage has been institutionalized through Ayushman Bharat, the world's largest health protection scheme which provides an annual cover of USD 7,000 to 100 million families covering nearly 500 million individuals.

India is at the forefront in the call for joint global action to address the COVID-19 pandemic. The country has extended medical assistance to several countries and has operationalized the SAARC COVID-19 Emergency Fund with an initial contribution of USD 10 million. Domestically, India's response to the COVID-19 pandemic includes an initial USD 22.5 billion economic stimulus package, comprehensive health coverage for front-line workers and direct cash transfers for the most vulnerable.

Samagra Bharat - Saksham Bharat (Inclusive and Entrepreneurial India): Social inclusion is pursued through universalizing access to nutrition, health, education, social protection, and developing capabilities for entrepreneurship and employment. Financial inclusion through Jan Dhan-Aadhaar-Mobile (JAM) trinity – near universal access to bank accounts aided by the Jan Dhan Yojana (National Financial Inclusion Scheme); Aadhaar card (National unique identity number) for over 90% of the population; and expansive access to mobile phones, has propelled new avenues of credit, insurance, and Direct Benefit Transfers (DBT) to the poor, including to over 200 million women, thereby accelerating their economic empowerment.

Satat Bharat – Sanatan Bharat (Sustainable India): India's climate action strategies call for clean and efficient energy systems, disaster resilient infrastructure, and planned eco-restoration. Acting on its nationally-determined contributions, India has electrified 100% of its villages, reduced 38 million tonnes of CO2 emissions annually through energy efficient appliances, provided clean cooking fuel to 80 million poor households, and set a target to install 450GW of renewable energy and restore 26 million hectares of degraded land by 2030. Globally, India stands third in renewable power, fourth in wind power, and fifth in solar power. India launched the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure and the International Solar Alliance to leverage global partnerships for climate action and disaster resilience.

Sampanna Bharat- Samriddh Bharat (Prosperous and Vibrant India): India is one of the fastest growing emerging market economies with a young population and burgeoning innovation and business ecosystem. With a GDP of USD 2.72 trillion in 2018-19, India strives to become a USD 5 trillion economy by 2025, and pursue an inclusive and sustainable growth trajectory by stimulating manufacturing, building infrastructure, spurring investments, fostering technological innovation, and boosting entrepreneurship.

In the spirit of South-South Cooperation, for realizing the 2030 Agenda, India supports developing countries through the USD 150 million India-UN Development Partnership Fund. In this spirit of regional and global partnerships, and the country's commitment to 'leave no one behind', India steps into the Decade of Action, drawing confidence from its experience in addressing challenges. Government of India will continue to work collaboratively with all domestic and global stakeholders to accelerate efforts for a sustainable planet for future generations.

Documents

- Letter from Permanent Mission of India
- Main Messages India
- Main Messages Letter of Permanent Mission of India
- VNR 2020 Letter
- VNR 2020 Report**

Share this page

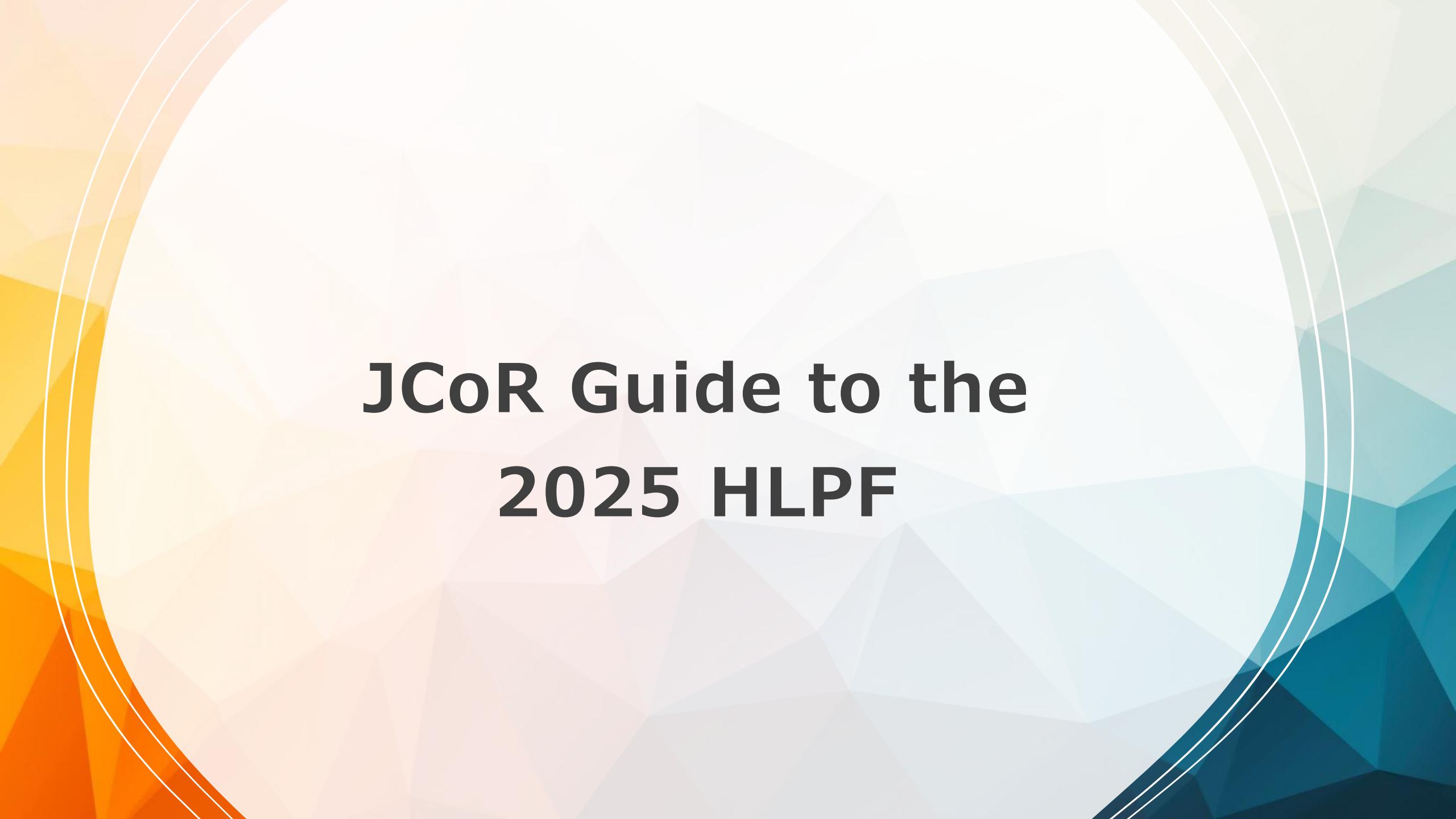
[Facebook](#) [Twitter](#) [LinkedIn](#) [Email](#) [Print](#)

Questions to guide your reflection on your Government's Voluntary National Review report:

- Where does my experience **align** with the report?
- Where does my experience **conflict** with the report?
- What **additional insights or recommendations** do I want to contribute to the narrative based on my experience?

***REMINDER:** You do not need to review the entire report from your country's VNR! Please select a section corresponding to the one or two SDGs that relate most directly with your ministry or experience.





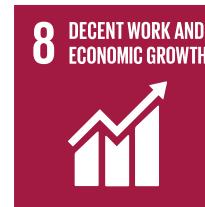
JCoR Guide to the 2025 HLPF

Full JCoR Guide

to the

2025 High-Level Political Forum

on Sustainable Development



14-23 July 2025

High-Level Political Forum

Event Details and Information

When

14-23 July 2025

Where

In-person at the UN Headquarters in New York

Watch

Join online to follow the proceedings of the forum at [UNWebTV](#)
(streamed in multiple languages)

Programme

14-23 July, 10:00AM - 6:00PM (New York Time)

- **14 July:** Opening ceremony
- **14-17 July:** Panel discussions on priority SDGs (3, 5, 8, 14)
- **18, 21-23 July:** Voluntary National Reviews (Reports from national governments on the progress they are making toward the achievement of the SDGs)
- **21-23 July:** General debate, "UN@80: Catalyzing Change for Sustainable Development"
- **23 July:** Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration & Conclusion
- **Every day:** Events sponsored by civil society (non-governmental organisations). See the following pages of this guide for event recommendations.

Visit the HLPF [programme webpage](#) for additional details, the list of official [side events](#), and a schedule of [special events](#)

Official Website

For additional information, visit the [HLPF 2025 website](#)



Voluntary National Reviews

Introduction to VNRs

At the HLPF, government leaders report on their national progress toward achievement of the sustainable development goals. These reports, called voluntary national reviews (VNRs), aim to facilitate the sharing of experiences, including successes, challenges and lessons learned, with a view to accelerating the implementation of the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development.

Visit the [VNR webpage](#) to learn more and access your government's current and past VNRs (click [here](#) for step-by-step instructions). You can also access reports from civil society on SDG progress in your country [here](#).



As governments report to this global forum on a voluntary basis, not every government presents a report each year. The 37 countries listed on right-hand side of this page will be presenting VNRs in 2025. Click on the name of your country to access a written copy of its report, and if you would like to watch your government present its VNR live, tune into [UNWebTV](#) at the specified time.

Schedule

18 July

10:00am-1:00pm (New York time)

1st Panel: [Guatemala](#), [Malaysia](#), [Sudan](#)

2nd Panel: [Kyrgyzstan](#), [Saint Lucia](#), [South Africa](#)

3:00pm-6:00pm (New York time)

3rd Panel: [Angola](#), [Belarus](#), [Dominican Republic](#)

4th Panel: [Bangladesh](#), [Eswatini](#), [Micronesia](#)

21 July

3:00pm-6:00pm (New York time)

1st Panel: [El Salvador](#), [Malta](#), [Thailand](#)

2nd Panel: [Czechia](#), [Israel](#), [Papua New Guinea](#)

22 July

11:45am-1:00pm (New York time)

1st Panel: [Bahamas](#), [Finland](#), [Philippines](#)

3:00pm-6:00pm (New York time)

2nd Panel: [Germany](#), [Kazakhstan](#), [Seychelles](#)

3rd Panel: [Japan](#), [Gambia](#)

4th Panel: [Indonesia](#), [Suriname](#)

23 July

10:00am-1:00pm (New York time)

1st Panel: [Bhutan](#), [Ghana](#), [Iraq](#)

2nd Panel: [Qatar](#), [Nigeria](#)

3rd Panel: [Bulgaria](#), [Ethiopia](#)

3:00pm-4:30pm (New York time)

4th Panel: [India](#), [Lesotho](#)

JCoR SDG Lab at the 2025 HLPF

All sessions will be held from **9:00am-11:00am (New York time)**



In addition to reports from governments, the HLPF also includes events sponsored by civil society groups, to highlight their perspectives on implementation and progress toward the SDGs in their respective countries. JCoR will join the conversation by offering a series of virtual discussion spaces, which we are calling the "[JCoR SDG Lab](#)." This series will showcase Catholic Religious and their partners' perspectives on progress and good practices towards sustainable development. JCoR's SDG Lab will consist of one session dedicated to each of this year's priority SDGs. Click on the following links to register:

28 July: SDG 3 - Good Health and Well-Being <http://bit.ly/3TITK0K>

29 July: SDG 5 - Gender Equality <https://bit.ly/4emArUy>

30 July: SDG 8 - Decent Work and Economic Growth <https://bit.ly/4lo7k5v>

31 July: SDG 14 - Healthy Aquatic Ecosystems <http://bit.ly/3I020Hf>

1 August: SDG 17 - Partnerships for the Goals <https://bit.ly/45F8WDu>

All are welcome to attend these JCoR SDG Lab sessions. Please register to join us for one or more of the sessions! *Interpretation will be available in English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish.*

Recommended Events

Please visit JCoR's [HLPF 2025 webpage](#) to access a curated list of HLPF side events and parallel events that are recommended by JCoR and our Religious community at the United Nations in New York.

As you will find on our "HLPF 2025: Recommended Events" webpage, JCoR is also offering an in-person **welcome gathering for the 2025 High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development**. This event will be held for delegates of Religious NGOs who intend to participate in some part of the HLPF and it will take place on **16 July 2025**. The gathering will serve as an opportunity to meet other delegates, to pray and reflect on hopes and intentions for engagement with the HLPF process, and to ask questions about how to participate.



Social Media Advocacy

Who to follow and tag

Justice Coalition of Religious (JCoR)

Facebook: [@JCoR2030](#) LinkedIn: [JCoR2030](#)

United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)

Facebook: [@UNECOSOC](#) Instagram: [@un_ecosoc](#) Bluesky: [@un-ecosoc](#)

UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA)

Facebook: [@joinUNDESA](#) Instagram: [@undesa](#)
LinkedIn: [United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs](#)

UN Sustainable Development Platform

Facebook: [@SustDev](#)

UN Account for the Global Goals for Sustainable Development

Facebook: [@GlobalGoalsUN](#)

Your congregation's NGO at the United Nations

Click [here](#) to access a list of many congregations' NGO social media details

Your government's permanent mission to the United Nations



Hashtags

#HLPF2025 or #HLPF

#SDGs

#SDG (insert number here)

#LeaveNoOneBehind

#2030Agenda

Next Steps:

7 July – 14 July

Prepare for your final JCoR REGIONAL call:

- **Asia-Pacific:** 10 July @ 8:30am (New York time) / 6:00pm India Standard Time:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84746323559?pwd=bIoQIVQP8ZjKrSLi0t9B47kaBOnFGf.1>
- **Europe:** 11 July @ 10:30am (New York Time) / 16:30 (Central Europe Time):
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84707276986?pwd=1vb7MqLI7C5BdJq3q4bPmZEwGx3EW0.1>
- **Africa:** 14 July @ 10am (New York time) / 1500hrs (West Africa Time) / 1600hrs (Central Africa Time):
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81884601860?pwd=jPbDaX4RuzcQTWI4DeUwLeTOzsLu6y.1>
- **Latin America & Caribbean:** 14 July @ 10am (Guatemala Time) / 12pm (Dominican Republic & New York time):
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81519519302?pwd=jxv1hHhS9JKq7T1dSOAz7DjGzZIrav.1>

*****Read at least some section of the written VNR report from your government before this meeting!*****

(see [VNR Database](#))



Next steps:

- **Review & share JCoR's Guide to the 2025 HLPF**
(available here in English, Spanish, French, Portuguese:
<https://jcor2030.org/communications-guides/>) and save
dates of all events you want to follow virtually
- **Register for the JCoR SDG Lab sessions:**
<https://jcor2030.org/jcor-sdg-lab-at-the-2025-high-level-political-forum-on-sustainable-development/>
- **Finish preparing your contribution to the JCoR SDG Lab**
and submit your notes and any visual materials to Teresa
3 days before the session at which you will speak
- Attend as much of the HLPF programme as you are able



Prepare for our *final* JCoR global delegation call:

**11 August 2025
(9:00-10:30am New York time)**

- Register here: <https://bit.ly/4kp5jW4>
- Send any questions or requests for help with the tasks above to Teresa B (jcor.newyork@gmail.com)

