THE SDGs AND HUMAN RIGHTS

STATUS OF UPR RECOMMENDATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES

OMAN

Universal Periodic Review Fast Facts

- Mid-Term Reporting: May 2018
- National Consultation: May 2019
- NGO Report Drafting: January 2020 – March 2020
- Next Review: November 2020

Status of Core International Human Rights Conventions in Oman

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>KEY</th>
<th>Status</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ratified</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ratified with Declarations</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ratified with Reservations</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ratified with Reservations and Declarations</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Signed but not Ratified</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No Action</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (CERD)
- Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)
- Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)
- Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC)
- Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment and Punishment (CAT)
- International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (CCPR)
- Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights aiming at the abolition of the death penalty (CCPR/OP2-OP)
- Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (CED)
- International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (CESCR)
- International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (CMWCR)

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 Oman in November 2015 and in preparation for the next review scheduled for November 2020, Oman has accepted to implement several UPR recommendations. Below is a selection of supported UPR recommendations aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).  

- **Continue to make efforts to eliminate female genital mutilation by enacting legislation which prohibits this practice and adopt a National Action Plan to increase awareness among women of the harmful consequences of the practice of female genital mutilation.**

- **Continue its efforts in strengthening moderation and religious tolerance, particularly through the education sector.**
  - Increase the access to education of children with disability by allocating more resources.

- **Develop a mainstreaming strategy for women’s rights, to be applied to policies in all fields, with a view to ensure gender equality.**
  - Enhance its awareness-raising campaign to combat negative stereotyping against women and prohibit violence against women.
  - Take steps to increase women’s participation in elections to the Shura Council, both as voters and candidates, and to widen the participation of all citizens in the decision-making processes.
  - Take new measures to eliminate all forms of discrimination against women and to promote their participation in public life, including in decision-making positions and governmental functions.

- **Continue its efforts to enhance the working conditions of expatriate labourers by issuing legislation and regulations to promote and protect the rights of expatriate workers in Oman Labour Law.**

- **Strengthen its efforts to ensure that youth and children who come into contact with the justice system enjoy adequate protection and are subject to courts specialized in juvenile justice.**

- **Increase efforts aiming at building the capacity of the judicial personnel technically and administratively.**

- **Continue its efforts to organise intensive courses for members of the public prosecutor office in the field of human rights, in line with the steps being made for the independence of the public prosecutor and to separate it from the police.**

- **Continue including young people in the democratic process through the commission established for this purpose.**

- **Strengthen the protection of people with disabilities, step up exchange of experience with other States in the field of protection of rights of children with disabilities.**