

Overview of Universal Periodic Review (UPR) Recommendations on caste (all states and all sessions)

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Recommending State (nr. of recommendations)	UPR Session	Date of review	Recommendation	State under Review	Response
Holy See (4)	14 th session	30.10. 2012	Continue its efforts for the improvement of the health system and the elimination of discrimination against women and discrimination on the basis of caste	Pakistan	NR
	13 th session	24.05. 2012	Continue to promote the rights of women in their choice of marriage and their equality of treatment independently of caste and tribe or other considerations	India	A
			Prevent and pursue through the judicial process, all violent acts against religious and tribal minorities, Dalits and other castes	India	A
	16 th session	29.04. 2013	Continue improving the conditions of children, women, Dalits, indigenous people, refugees and migrants taking into account the special situation and difficulties that those groups have to overcome	Bangladesh	A
Czech Republic (3)	13 th session	24.05. 2012	Enact a law on the protection of human rights defenders, with emphasis on those defenders facing greater risks, including those working on minority rights and the rights of scheduled castes and tribes	India	NR
	10 th session	25.01. 2011	While appreciating the fact that the Government's priorities include combating caste-based discrimination, ensure that the policy is fully implemented also by the local authorities in rural and remote areas	Nepal	A
			That cases of caste-based discriminations be reported, investigated, perpetrators prosecuted and victims of such violence are compensated	Nepal	A
Norway (2)	13 th session	24.05. 2012	Implement the recommendations made by the Special Rapporteur on the rights of human right defenders following her visit in 2011, with particular emphasis on recommendations that concern defenders of women's and children's rights, defenders of minorities rights, including Dalits and Adavasi, and right to information activists	India	NR
	10 th session	25.01. 2011	Review and adopt relevant legislation and policies, including bills related to caste-based discrimination, the Women's Commission, the Dalit Commission, the rights of indigenous peoples and the rights of the child, to ensure full compliance with international human rights standards	Nepal	A
Luxembourg (2)	2 nd session	08.05. 2008	Take measures to eliminate discrimination against castes and high degree of poverty suffered by castes	Pakistan	A
	1 st session	10.04. 2008	Maintain disaggregated data on caste and related discrimination	India	GR

Japan (2)	13 th session	24.05. 2012	Monitor and verify the effectiveness of, and steadily implement, measures such as quota programmes in the areas of education and employment, special police and special courts for effective implementation of the Protection of Civil Rights Act and the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes Act, and the work of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes	India	NR
			Strengthen human rights training aimed at teachers in order to eliminate discriminatory treatment of children of specific castes, as well as appropriately follow-up on the results of the training that has occurred thus far	India	NR
Germany (2)	13 th session	24.05. 2012	Take adequate measures to guarantee and monitor the effective implementation of the Prevention of Atrocities Act, providing legal means for an increased protection of vulnerable groups like the Dalit, including the access to legal remedies for affected persons	India	NR
	10 th session	25.01. 2011	Criminalize discrimination based on caste, gender, religion, ethnicity, political belief or disabilities	Nepal	A
Denmark (2)	10 th session	25.01. 2011	Eliminate all forms of discrimination and pass the bill on caste-based discrimination and untouchability	Nepal	A
	2 nd session	08.05. 2008	Take specific and targeted measures to effectively prevent discrimination against Scheduled Castes	Pakistan	A
Finland (2)	10 th session	25.01. 2011	Ensure that all girls, Dalit children and children belonging to ethnic minorities have equal access to quality education	Nepal	A
			Pay special attention to helping Dalit children, girls, and children belonging to ethnic minorities to complete their education cycle, and to ensure their employment opportunities after education in order to enable them to claim their rights and work as agents of change for their communities	Nepal	A
Slovenia (2)	10 th session	25.01. 2011	Provide the National Dalit Commission and the National Women's Commission with sufficient resources to effectively realize their mandate	Nepal	A
	16 th session	29.04. 2013	Adopt an action plan to address the situation of Dalits and eliminate discrimination against them, including by ensuring access to safe drinking water and sanitation	Bangladesh	A
Poland (1)	10 th session	25.01. 2011	Ensure full participation of ethnic groups and castes in the Constitution-making process, in particular in the Constituent Assembly	Nepal	A
Argentina (1)	10 th session	25.01. 2011	Continue its efforts to overcome discrimination and social exclusion on the basis of gender, caste, class, ethnic group, disability or geographic situation, in order to ensure the respect of civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights	Nepal	A
Bolivia (1)	10 th session	25.01. 2011	Continue promoting the work of the National Commissions for Women and for Dalit, through the reinforcement of resources that allows them to work in an efficient manner	Nepal	A
Hungary (1)	10 th	25.01.	Improve food safety of vulnerable groups, particularly indigenous people, former bonded	Nepal	A

	session	2011	labourers, Dalits, Muslims, persons with disabilities and those who are infected with HIV/AIDs		
Netherlands (1)	10 th session	25.01. 2011	Take the necessary legal and policy measures to end discrimination, including of women, children and Dalits	Nepal	A
Malaysia (1)	10 th session	25.01. 2011	Formulate effective strategies and programmes in order to provide employment and income-generating opportunities for the population, in particular, the rural population, Dalits and ethnic minorities	Nepal	A
United Kingdom (1)	10 th session	25.01. 2011	Take further steps to eliminate discrimination against vulnerable or marginalized groups, including on the basis of gender or caste, by enacting laws to criminalize all forms of discrimination	Nepal	A
Ghana (1)	13 th session	24.05. 2012	Put in place appropriate monitoring mechanisms to ensure that the intended objectives of the progressive policy initiatives and measures for the promotion and protection of the welfare and the rights of the vulnerable, including women, girls and children, as well as the scheduled castes and scheduled tribes and minorities are well achieved	India	A
United States (1)	13 th session	24.05. 2012	Ensure that laws are fully and consistently enforced to provide adequate protections for members of religious minorities, scheduled castes, and adivasi groups, as well as, women, trafficking victims, and LGBT citizens	India	NR
Thailand (1)	13 th session	24.05. 2012	Continue its efforts to eliminate discrimination against and empower marginalized and vulnerable groups particularly by ensuring effective implementation of relevant laws and measures through proper and active coordination among line ministries, national and state governments; by extending disaggregated data to caste, gender, religion, status and region; and by increasing sensitization and reducing discriminatory attitudes among law enforcement officers through human rights education and training	India	NR
Italy (1)	1 st session	10.04. 2008	Strengthen human rights education, specifically in order to address effectively the phenomenon of gender-based and caste-based discrimination	India	GR
Canada (1)	1 st session	10.04. 2008	Maintain disaggregated data on caste and related discrimination	India	GR
Belgium (1)	1 st session	10.04. 2008	Maintain disaggregated data on caste and related discrimination	India	GR
Chile (1)	7 th session	15.02. 2010	Consider adopting measures to counter discrimination against the descendants of slaves and the persistence of the caste system	Madagascar	GR
Israel (1)	9 th session	10.11. 2010	Eradicate in law and in practice all forms of discrimination, including traditional slavery, the caste system and develop a national strategy on slavery, as recommended by the Special Rapporteur on slavery	Mauritania	A
Ecuador (1)	9 th	10.11.	Adopt the measures necessary to abolish the caste system, given that, in many cases, it is conducive	Mauritania	A

	session	2010	to the enduring existence of various forms of slavery		
Austria (1)	14 th session	30.10. 2012	Take effective measures to prevent forced or early marriage, in particular with a view to ending rape, sexual exploitation and forced conversions of scheduled caste girls	Pakistan	A
Nicaragua (1)	13 th session	24.05. 2012	Put in practice a national strategy to eliminate discrimination against caste, through the immediate adoption of the Equality Law of 2010 that prohibits such discrimination, in conformity with its international human rights obligations, including CERD's General Recommendation 29 and recommendations of the Special Rapporteur on Contemporary Forms of Racism	United Kingdom	R
Romania	17 th session	21.10. 2013	Eliminate the caste system, which leads to stigmatization and ostracism of certain groups of the Senegalese society	Senegal	R