



National Report of the Republic of Yemen

Comprehensive National Review of the Progress Made in Implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action+30*

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Introduction

The Republic of Yemen is participating in the comprehensive national review of progress on the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action 30 years after its adoption. The country is currently experiencing ongoing conflict and war, resulting in significant humanitarian challenges. Additional factors such as the COVID-19 pandemic, climate change and various economic, social and political issues have further impacted development indicators. These combined circumstances have contributed to increased poverty, unemployment and reductions in basic services, including health and education, alongside changing security conditions and varying levels of institutional governance. According to the United Nations, Yemen is classified as one of the least developed countries in the Arab world.

The Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action continues to serve as a critical framework for Yemen in advancing the status of women and girls, and progressing toward gender equality. Given the ongoing political, security, economic and social challenges facing the country, women and girls remain among the most impacted populations. This underscores the necessity for Yemen's comprehensive commitment to implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, as well as the Women, Peace and Security Agenda, while ensuring their effective integration into efforts to achieve the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals.

Despite significant challenges, Yemen's submission of its Beijing+30 report serves as an opportunity to reaffirm its firm political commitment to advancing women's rights, achieving gender equality and fulfilling the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals. To this end, every effort was made to align with the prescribed methodology for preparing the report, as outlined in the *Guidance note for comprehensive national-level reviews*. This methodology considers the 12 critical areas of concern set forth by the Beijing Platform for Action and their relationship to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, with a continued focus on gender equality.

A dedicated working group was established, comprising leaders and members from relevant ministries, official institutions actively engaged in implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, and civil society organizations advocating for women's

advancement. Chaired by a national expert in gender issues, the group was responsible for preparing the report according to the required methodology within a thirty-day timeframe.

The report underwent a comprehensive review through workshops held in Aden, the interim capital, as well as in the governorates under the internationally recognized government. These sessions included the participation of a wide range of specialists, government officials, representatives from civil society organizations focused on human rights – especially women’s rights – political parties and members of the media. The primary objectives were to examine, discuss and disseminate the draft report. As a result, significant recommendations were formulated, and both the feedback and suggestions provided were duly integrated into the final document.

The Women’s National Committee leverages the Beijing+30 review to underscore the pressing need to identify key gaps in implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, emphasizing the importance of additional measures to advance its critical areas of concern. Moreover, given the interconnected nature of these issues, continued progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals remains imperative.

In closing, we extend our sincere gratitude to all stakeholders who assisted in the formulation of this report, particularly the Peace Path Initiative for their financial support, as well as governmental and non-governmental entities that provided essential data and information. We also acknowledge all workshop participants for their valuable contributions and express appreciation to the report preparation team for their dedication throughout to the completion of the final version.

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