

ANNEX 4 - ACCEPTED RECOMMENDATIONS FROM 2015 SESSION

The following recommendations, accepted by Lebanon in the 2015 session, were used as a guide for this report, especially in terms of identifying progress or setbacks. In general, and with the exception of some steps taken towards the establishment of the National Commission for Human Rights, Lebanon's National Human Rights Institution (NHRI), which includes a National Preventive Mechanism (NPM), the government has failed to allocate it a budget¹ or activate the Commission and there has been no real progress related to the below recommendations, especially in areas related to ratifying the CRPD, addressing acts of torture, a feature of state violence against protesters in Autumn 2019, improving access and quality of services, and the rights of Palestinian refugees, illustrated in the main report.

I. ECONOMIC & SOCIAL RIGHTS

1. Right to Education:

132.18. Positively consider ratifying the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities to fully ensure the rights of persons with disabilities to education, employment and their participation in political and public life (China)

132.19. Ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and effectively implement the national plan in order to make the education system open to children with disabilities (Italy)

132.69. Continue its efforts to spread the culture of human rights across the school curriculum and public awareness campaigns (Yemen)

132.120. Take appropriate steps to address acts of torture of all persons, including migrants in detention, and to tackle the phenomenon of child labor and ensure that all children of school-going age have unimpeded access to education (Ghana)

132.139. Continue efforts of the Lebanese Government to improve the functioning of the education system, including by advancing the enrolment and by protecting street children from the worst forms of child labor (Albania)

132.166. Work towards additional efforts to promote economic and social rights; to enhance in particular the right to work, education, health and housing (Saudi Arabia)

132.173. Make primary education compulsory, free and accessible to all children (Togo)

132.174. Pursue efforts to provide education for all people residing in the Lebanese territory (Algeria)

132.175. Continue efforts to establish a free and compulsory quality education for all children up to the age of 15 (Congo)

¹ Lebanese Republic, Ministry of Finance, 2020 Budget, op. cit.

- 132.176. Continue its efforts to establish a free and compulsory quality education for children up to the age of 15 years (Djibouti)
- 132.177. Ensure equitable and sustainable resources to education (Slovakia)
- 132.178. Improve access to quality education, health, and social services, in particular for children and women (Italy)
- 132.179. Strengthen and expand the education infrastructure in order to offer quality inclusive education to all children on its territory (Slovenia)
- 132.180. Pursue efforts to promote the quality of education and to establish mandatory free education for all (Madagascar)
- 132.181. Guarantee free, obligatory, and quality education for all children (Maldives)
- 132.182. Further develop, exponentially and progressively, free and compulsory quality education for all children up to 15 years of age (Panama)
- 132.184. Ensure the effective implementation of the National Plan for the Integration of Persons with Disabilities, especially regarding access to education and employment (Finland)
- 132.185. Further strengthen efforts to improve the lives of persons with disabilities, including by developing and implementing policy instruments to meet the education needs of children with disabilities (Singapore)
- 132.187. Continue to realize the rights of persons with disabilities, including their right to education, in the framework of the National Plan for the Integration of Persons with Disabilities which it has adopted (Russian Federation)
- 132.191. Implement policies focused on the integration of children with special needs into the public education system, adapt buildings, and provide training to teachers and educational staff to promote an enabling and inclusive environment for education (Canada)
- 132.192. Intensify efforts to integrate persons with special needs in schools (Oman)
- 132.193. Continue to strengthen the educational system and to ensure equal access of disabled children to education (Lao People's Democratic Republic)

2. Right to Work

- 132.18. Positively consider ratifying the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities to fully ensure the rights of persons with disabilities to education, employment and their participation in political and public life (China)
- 132.165. Pursue efforts to ensure that labor relations between workers and employers are in line with international labor standards (Iraq)
- 132.166. Work towards additional efforts to promote economic and social rights; to enhance in particular the right to work, education, health and housing (Saudi Arabia)

132.184. Ensure the effective implementation of the National Plan for the Integration of Persons with Disabilities, especially regarding access to education and employment (Finland)

3. Right to Quality Health

132.86. Implement action-oriented measures to strengthen the protection and promotion of women's rights in the areas of health and combating violence against women (Singapore)

132.166. Work towards additional efforts to promote economic and social rights; to enhance in particular the right to work, education, health and housing (Saudi Arabia)

132.172. Continue the search for measures to address the high cost of health services and the existing quality disparity in the market for such services (Cuba)

132.178. Improve access to quality education, health, and social services, in particular for children and women (Italy)

4. Rights of Persons with Disabilities

132.17. Ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Sierra Leone) (Honduras) (Portugal); Conclude the ratification process of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Turkey); Expedite the necessary process to ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Thailand); Facilitate ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Republic of Korea)

132.18. Positively consider ratifying the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities to fully ensure the rights of persons with disabilities to education, employment and their participation in political and public life (China)

132.19. Ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and effectively implement the national plan in order to make the education system open to children with disabilities (Italy)

132.20. Ratify the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its Optional Protocol, and promote the awareness of the society and institutions on the right to equality and non-discrimination of persons with disabilities in all areas of life (Mexico)

132.23. Ratify various international human rights statutes and conventions, including the Rome Statute, the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, and the ILO Conventions Nos. 87, 169 and 189 (Ghana); Comments: A/HRC/31/5/Add.1 states at page 3: 132.23 - Ghana - Partially accepted - The accepted part is the one referring to the ratification of the Convention of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

132.68. Continue to strengthen national human rights mechanisms to protect the most vulnerable sectors of society (Bahrain)

132.184. Ensure the effective implementation of the National Plan for the Integration of Persons with Disabilities, especially regarding access to education and employment (Finland)

132.185. Further strengthen efforts to improve the lives of persons with disabilities, including by developing and implementing policy instruments to meet the education needs of children with disabilities (Singapore)

II. CIVIL & POLITICAL RIGHTS

1. Participation in Public Life

132.55. Consider the establishment of an independent mechanism for children and provide it with necessary human and financial resources (Slovakia)

132.99. Ensure that the security forces, including the military, are governed, during peaceful demonstrations, by the United Nations Basic Principles on the Use of Force and Firearms by Law Enforcement Officials (Costa Rica)132.161. Implement the necessary policies to encourage women to participate in political and public life (Mexico)

III. PROTECTION

3. Gender-Based and Domestic Violence

132.86. Implement action-oriented measures to strengthen the protection and promotion of women's rights in the areas of health and combating violence against women (Singapore)

132.126. Continue its efforts to combat domestic violence, sexual harassment, and exploitation of women, in particular adolescents, women heads of households without a partner and girls with children (Colombia)

132.129. Adopt and implement all necessary measures to effectively prevent domestic violence and gender-based homicides (Panama)

IV. PALESTINIAN REFUGEES

132.74. Continue its constant support to the human rights issues and provide support to the humanitarian efforts (Kuwait)

132.195. Take into particular consideration the vulnerable situation of migrants and refugees in the country, in particular women and children (Nicaragua)

132.207. Continue the cooperation with international organizations and donor countries to find solutions to the problems of the refugees (Armenia)