



**Pledge submitted by Brunei Darussalam to the Human Rights 75 Secretariat
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PLEDGE NUMBER 1: Brunei Darussalam pledges to ensure its people lead harmonious, dignified and empowered lives by fostering more inclusive and equitable quality education and training, through the provision of decent jobs and better services, as well as an enabling ecosystem supported by assistive technologies. Among the initiatives that will be undertaken towards this include the development of a Manpower Blueprint, a national guideline aimed at creating a more productive and efficient economy, and the development of frameworks to implement a curriculum based on 21st century skills such as the Financial Literacy Competency Framework for School Children and Adults and Digital Citizenship.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2030

PLEDGE NUMBER 2: Brunei Darussalam pledges to increase its implementation of SDG Goal 12 in achieving sustainable consumption and production through initiatives which include enhancing waste management via increased awareness campaigns and recycling programmes; waste minimisation with plastic reduction or elimination policies; promoting sustainable tourism by increasing domestic tourism; and encouraging businesses to adopt sustainable practices, offer accessible options to use less plastic, utilise recycled packaging, and offer sustainable products to further promote green consumerism. Our goal is to meet our national recycling rate target of 30 per cent by 2030 through improved policy interventions and multi-stakeholder approach.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2030

PLEDGE NUMBER 3: Brunei Darussalam pledges to improve the quality of life of Persons with Disabilities, to ensure inclusivity and equality. This is exemplified by the Persons with Disabilities Act 2021 which establishes a national register of persons with disabilities. This will be further strengthened through initiatives such as the introduction of disability registration cards that will facilitate verification and access to specific services and increased penalties against the abuse and neglect of Persons with Disabilities. This Act will also be a key component in Brunei Darussalam's first national report to the CRPD, which is planned to be submitted in 2024.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2024

PLEDGE NUMBER 4: Brunei Darussalam pledges to demonstrate its commitment to the advancement and development of women through the introduction of its first National Plan of

Action on Women. This Action Plan will be developed following a year-long National Research on Women's Development that identifies gaps and challenges to support the formulation of policies that will improve women's development through gender equity, capacity building and self-development. Priority areas identified include the promotion and protection of women's rights, healthcare, economic empowerment, employment and work-life balance.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2024

PLEDGE NUMBER 5: Brunei Darussalam pledges to embrace a multifaceted strategy to ensure the well-being and dignity of the elderly. In the anticipation of a significant increase in the population aged 60 and above by 2050, Brunei Darussalam will demonstrate its commitment through initiatives such as the Old Age Pension and Care Provider Allowance and the development of a new National Plan for Older Persons. This Plan will focus on a strategic approach for successful ageing, emphasising physical, psychological, and social well-being and advocating the importance on healthy ageing.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2024