



**Pledge submitted by Uzbekistan to the Human Rights 75 Secretariat  
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**Pledging entity:** Government of the Republic Uzbekistan

**PLEDGE NUMBER 1:** Human rights education Uzbekistan has played a key role in the elaboration of the Fifth phase of the World Program on Human Rights Education. Together with OHCHR, we held a Global Forum on Human Rights Education, and a National Programme for Human Rights Education is being implemented. Uzbekistan expresses its readiness to contribute at the international level to the promotion and advancement of human rights education by raising awareness of human rights through information campaigns in the mass media, seminars, trainings, and by sharing best practices, experiences and achievements in the field of human rights with interested partners.

**Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised:** Jan 1, 2025

**PLEDGE NUMBER 2:** Business and human rights Uzbekistan, reaffirming its commitment to the promotion of human rights, undertakes to protect them from the adverse consequences of entrepreneurial activity and to provide effective remedies. The Government has developed a draft NAP to implement the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. Extensive consultations were held with state bodies, business structures and civil society. Uzbekistan intends to adopt and implement the National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights, and raise awareness among public and private sector representatives of the Guiding Principles to ensure a permanent, inclusive and transparent process of respect for human rights in business.

**Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised:** Jan 1, 2025

**PLEDGE NUMBER 3:** Uzbekistan will ensure that ongoing reforms and initiatives reflect youth rights on the basis of the principle of LNOB. We have placed women and girls at the heart of our work to enhance the role and representation of women in public life through the delivery of the Gender Equality Strategy 2030. Uzbekistan publicly and unreservedly condemns the practice of torture and ill-treatment. We will continue to prohibit and prevent torture. Uzbekistan expresses its readiness to contribute at the international level to the promotion and advancement of human rights education by raising awareness of human rights through information campaigns. Uzbekistan intends to adopt and implement the National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights.

**Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised:** Dec 31, 2025

**PLEDGE NUMBER 4:** Youth rights Uzbekistan faces at an important Demographic Milestone. Young people under the age of 30 constitute 60 per cent of the population. Uzbekistan pays particular attention to supporting young people and providing opportunities for their self-fulfilment and contribution to the future prosperity of their country. Uzbekistan has adopted the Concept for the Development of State Youth Policy until 2025, which is based on the general principle of “working with and for young people” set out in the UN Strategy “Youth-2030”. At the initiative of Uzbekistan, two resolutions of the UN Human Rights Council were adopted: “Human rights implications of the COVID-19 pandemic on young people” (A/HRC/RES/48/12), “Youth and human rights” (A/HRC/RES/51/17). Uzbekistan will ensure that ongoing reforms and initiatives reflect the rights, interests and aspirations of children and youth. We will continue to focus on youth and young families through constant support and protection so that young people can realize their potential on the basis of the principle of “Leave no one behind” (LNOB).

**Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised:** Jan 1, 2030

**PLEDGE NUMBER 5:** Women's rights Uzbekistan is proud to be at the forefront of promoting gender equality within the country through comprehensive national legislation on equal rights and opportunities for women and men and our commitment to the UN Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW). We have also placed women and girls at the heart of our work to enhance the role and representation of women in public life through the delivery of the Gender Equality Strategy 2030. We pledge to work internationally to increase the number of women in decision-making positions, reduce the level of maternal mortality and improve women's economic well-being and access to justice.

**Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised:** Jan 1, 2030

**PLEDGE NUMBER 6:** Preventing of torture Uzbekistan publicly and unreservedly condemns the practice of torture and ill-treatment. Uzbekistan is a party to the Convention against Torture and intends to ratify its Optional Protocol. The National Preventive Mechanism for the Prevention of Torture was established in accordance with the recommendations of the UN charter and treaty bodies. The additional measures have been taken to improve the system for detecting and preventing cases of torture, as well as compensation for the harm caused to victims of torture. Uzbekistan has extended an invitation to the UN Special Rapporteur on torture to visit the country. We will continue to prohibit and prevent torture.

**Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised:** Jan 1, 2030