



THE VOLUNTARY NATIONAL REVIEW OF THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS ON THE PROGRESS OF THE 2030 AGENDA IMPLEMENTATION







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National Statistical Committee monitoring and evaluation of SDGs

Working groups on SDGs at the local level

Interagency working groups on environment, social issues, economy, education









QUALITY EDUCATION





In the UNDP report on human development for 2020, Belarus was ranked 32nd by the Education Index.



Belarus provides preschool preparation to all children, which brings our country to a leading position in the world.

100%

The coverage of preschool education in Belarus is 100%, which brings our country to a leading position in the world.

99.9%



The coverage of special education for students with special needs of psychophysical development, including those with disabilities, stands at 99.9%.

4.8% ††† Financing of education is at the level of the world's leading countries — 4.8% of GDP.



QUALITY EDUCATION



Legal basis for the development of education:

- The Updated Education Code of the Republic of Belarus;
- The concept of development of the education system of the Republic of Belarus until 2030;
- The state program «Education and youth policy» for 2021-2025;
- The state program «Digital Development of Belarus» for 2021-2025.



In 2022, the National Agency for Quality Assurance in Education was established.

Its scope of remit is to match educational activities with educational standards, educational and program documentation of educational programs, and other requirements in the field of education at all levels.



GENDER EQUALITY





Belarus is one of 22 countries, where the Human Development Index for women is equal to or higher than one for men.





Belarus was ranked 31st out of 162 countries by the Gender Inequality Index.



Belarus was given a 33rd position out of 156 countries by the World Economic Forum's Global Gender Gap Report 2021.



GENDER EQUALITY



Belarus is a leader in ensuring equal rights for men and women among the countries of Eastern Europe and Central Asia.



55%



Women account for 55% of the total number of employees and realize themselves in all areas of activity; about 40% of employed women have higher education.

50%



The share of women in leadership positions is around 50%.

34.7%



The representation of women in Belarus' Parliament is 34.7% (in the previous convocation the figure was 33.7%).



GENDER EQUALITY





The National Council on Gender Policy operates in Belarus, the Sixth National Plan for Ensuring Gender Equality is being implemented, and the principle of non-admission of discrimination based on gender is enshrined in law.



Belarus is among the top 25 countries in the ranking related to comfortable conditions for motherhood.



Gender equality issues are also reflected in the state programs for 2021-2025: «Health of the people and demographic security», «Social protection», «Education and youth policy», «Labor market and employment action».



There are 148 centers of social services in Belarus, where comprehensive assistance is provided to victims of both domestic violence and human trafficking.



LIFE BELOW WATER



Belarus is located at the watershed of rivers belonging to the Baltic and Black Seas basins.

Belarus has 20.8 thousand rivers with a total length of 90.6 thousand km. The largest rivers are the Dnieper, Western Dvina and Neman; the longest is the Dnieper – 689 km.



Results of implemented policies:

- general conditions of the water facilities of the Dnieper, Zapadnaya Dvina, Neman, and Pripyat basins have improved (in particular, in terms of the content of biogenic elements);
- the state of water facilities in the Western Bug basin has stabilized.



LIFE ON LAND





Forest construction works are annually carried out on an area of around 1 million hectares;



the State Program «Belarusian Forest» for 2021-2025 and the Strategy for Adapting the Forestry of Belarus to Climate Change until 2050 are being implemented.

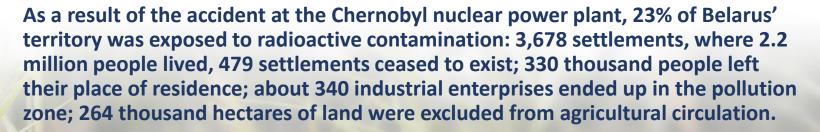


The Law «On the Treatment of Genetic Resources» is set to be adopted in 2022.



LIFE ON LAND







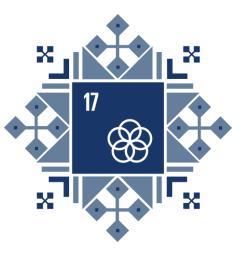
Belarus has implemented five state programs with a total funding of around 20 billion US dollars since the beginning of the 1990s.



At present, 49 districts belong to the territory of radioactive contamination, where settlements are located, of which 21 districts are most affected.



PARTNERSHIP FOR THE GOALS



Initiatives and partnerships:

The President of Belarus came up with the initiative to organize a global dialogue on security.

2010

2017

At the initiative of Belarus, the Global Action Plan to Combat Human Trafficking was developed and adopted by the UN General Assembly and the global partnership to combat human trafficking was launched.

2019

The President of Belarus proposed to establish a "Digital Neighborhood Belt" in order to scale up efforts against terrorist threats in cyberspace.

Strengthening partnerships at the regional level:



Belarus was behind the initiative to establish the CSTO Partner and Observer Institute.





Thank you so much for your attention

Merci beaucoup pour votre attention

Muchas gracias por su atención

Спасибо большое за внимание