

Voluntary National Review Guidelines

Dear Delegates,

As part of its follow-up and review mechanisms, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development encourages member states to “conduct regular and inclusive reviews of progress at the national and sub-national levels, which are country-led and country-driven”. These national reviews are expected to serve as a basis for the regular reviews by the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF), meeting under the auspices of ECOSOC.

The Voluntary National Review (VNR) aims to facilitate the sharing of experiences, including successes, challenges and lessons learned for implementation of 2030 Agenda and also seek to strengthen policies and institutions of governments. VNR provides an excellent opportunity to delegates to showcase their research and mobilize multi-stakeholder support and partnerships for the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).

All the delegates of HLPF are therefore expected to submit a Voluntary National Review for their respective countries to the President on or before 5th November 2020 11:59 PM. The rules and guidelines for submissions of VNR are as follows:

1. VNR should be a concise statement giving background of the topic, the existing policies and institutions pertaining to the relevant SDGs, the challenges faced, conclusion and way forward / suggestions.
2. VNR should be typed on a Word Document with Times New Roman as the font, 12 as the font size and 1.15 as the line spacing, not exceeding two pages.
3. The VNR should be emailed to surajguptaa45@gmail.com with cc to mr.abanmandal.1999@gmail.com and shivamjain.me@gmail.com with the subject the email being "VNR Submission by (Country Name)"

The delegates may further note that submitting VNR is mandatory and will account for *20% of the total marking*.