

SDG 16 Profile

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SDG 16: PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

CURRENT STATUS





GOAL 16			
Intentional homicides	SDG	16.1.1 Victims of intentional homicide, number [by sex]	(0.6)
Detected victims of human trafficking	SDG	16.2.2 Detected victims of human trafficking, per 100,000 population (by sex, age)	0
Unsentenced detainees	SDG	16.3.2 Unsentenced detainees (pre-trial), % of prison population	0
Bribery **	SDG	16.5.2 Bribery incidence (business asked for bribery), %	(0.14)
Government expenditure	SDG	16.6.1 Primary government expenditures as share of original approved budget, %	100
Women and youth in parliament	SDG	16.7.1a Women's representation in parliament (from the age of eligibility), Lower Chamber or Unicameral, ratio	1
		16.7.1b Young members representation in parliament (from the age of eligibility to 45), Lower Chamber or Unicameral, ratio	1
National Human Rights Institutions ††	SDG	16.a.1 National Human Rights Institutions compliance score (0: compliant; 1=not fully compliant; 2: non-compliant; 3: no application for accreditation) with the Paris Principles	0
Internally displaced persons **	UNHCR	16.b.P1 Internally displaced persons, 1,000 people	0

PROGRESS

SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE ALL FORMS OF VIOLENCE AND RELATED DEATH RATES EVERYWHERE (TARGET 16.1)





DEVELOP EFFECTIVE, ACCOUNTABLE AND TRANSPARENT INSTITUTIONS AT ALL LEVELS (TARGET 16.6)

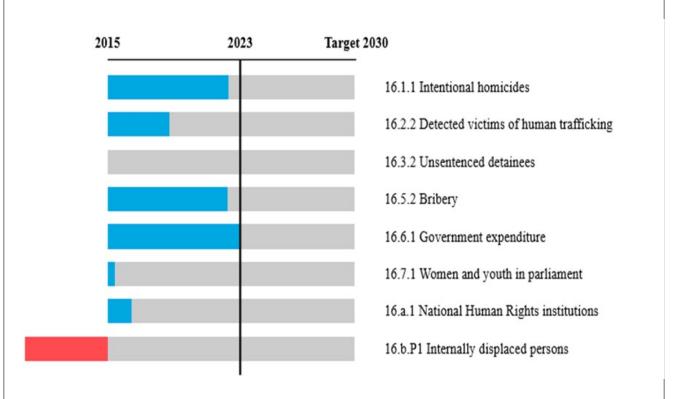


Figure 1 - Progress on Goal 16 indicators towards the 2030 targets

Source: ESCAP (2024).

AREAS REQUIRING ATTENTION AND KEY CHALLENGES

- 1. END ABUSE, EXPLOITATION, TRAFFICKING AND ALL FORMS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST AND TORTURE OF CHILDREN
 Target 16.2
- PROMOTE THE RULE OF LAW AT THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL LEVELS AND ENSURE EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE FOR ALL Target 16.3
- SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE ILLICIT FINANCIAL AND ARMS FLOWS, STRENGTHEN THE RECOVERY AND RETURN OF STOLEN ASSETS AND COMBAT ALL FORMS OF ORGANIZED CRIME BY 2030

 Target 16.4



Transnational organized crime increasingly undermines regional stability and the rule of law.

Access to justice and support services are limited for undocumented migrants. Prison occupancy levels in Southeast Asia have exceeded 100 per cent in many places





The drug market continues to expand region-wide, fueled by weak rule of law, corruption, conflict and poverty.

AREAS REQUIRING ATTENTION AND KEY CHALLENGES

- 4. ENSURE RESPONSIVE, INCLUSIVE, PARTICIPATORY, AND REPRESENTATIVE DECISION-MAKING AT ALL LEVELS
 Target 16.7
- **5. PROTECT FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS** Target 16.10
- STRENGTHEN RELEVANT NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, INCLUDING THROUGH INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION, FOR BUILDING CAPACITY AT ALL LEVELS, IN PARTICULAR IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, TO PREVENT VIOLENCE AND COMBAT TERRORISM AND CRIME

Target 16.A



Individuals under 45 are significantly underrepresented in parliament relative to their share of the national population, with Asia-Pacific performing below the global average.

Civic and democratic space restrictions persist regionally.

The proportion of killings of human rights defenders remain high due to armed conflict and the violent suppression of protests.





Since 2015, there has been a slow pace of progress to ensure universal coverage of the NHRIs in the region.

Only 2 out of 53 ESCAP member States have ratified all 9 core international human rights instruments.

PROMISING INNOVATIONS AND PRACTICES





SDG 16 Survey Initiative & Global SDG 16 Progress Report UNDP, UNODC, and OHCHR



Judicial Integrity Selfassessment Checklist Judicial Integrity Network in ASEAN



Collaborative on Citizen Data
UN Statistics Division



'Youth Co:Lab,' a UNDP and Citi Foundation initiative

PRIORITIES FOR ACTION



INTENSIFY EFFORTS ON DATA-COLLECTION AND LEVERAGE AVAILABLE TOOLS, RESOURCES AND THE COLLABORATION EXTENDED BY INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS TO STRENGTHEN NATIONAL SDG 16 MONITORING CAPACITIES

ADDRESS CORRUPTION AS A CATALYST FOR AND ENABLER OF VARIOUS TYPES OF ORGANIZED CRIMES BY FOSTERING REGIONAL COOPERATION

PROMOTE SURVIVOR-CENTRED AND EVIDENCE-BASED APPROACHES FOR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING AND FOR PEOPLE WHO USE ILLICIT DRUGS

ADVANCE STRATEGIES TO REDUCE PRISON OVERCROWDING THROUGH DRUG-POLICY REFORMS

CENTRE YOUNG PEOPLE IN SDG 16
IMPLEMENTATION

ADVANCE THE RULE OF LAW ESPECIALLY TO PROTECT HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS, JOURNALISTS, AND OTHER CIVIC ACTORS

Thank you!







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PROGRAMME		
09:00 – 09.05	Welcome and opening remarks: Ms. Ilze Brands Kehris, UN Assistant Secretary General for Human Rights	
09:05 – 09.20	Presentation of the Goal 16 Profile: Ms. Sophia Mo, Data Specialist, Human Rights Indicators and Data Unit, OHCHR	
09:20 – 09.45	Panel discussion on whole-of-society contributions to accelerating progress on SDG 16	
	Moderator: Mr. Surya Deva, UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Development	
	Panelists:	
	Mr. Raymund Rosuelo, Human Rights Commission of the Philippines	
	Ms. Hayley Whatarau, HP Inc.	
	Ms. Sushma Shrestha, Beyond Beijing Committee	
	Mr. Pervez Siddiqui, Films4Peace Migrants	
09:45 – 10.30	Breakout groups discussions:	
	Human rights and fundamental freedoms	
	Effective, inclusive and accountable governance	
	Violence, organized crime, access to justice	
	[Data availability on SDG16 indicators (cross-cutting)]	
10.30 – 10.40	Break	
10.40 – 11.20	Plenary session: Insights from breakout groups and priority actions agreed by SDG16 Round Table	
	Moderator: Mr. Surya Deva, UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Development	
11.20 – 11.30	Closing remarks: Mr. Gerd Trogemann, Manager, Regional Programme and Global Policy Network, UNDP	