

## *Questionnaire to Governments*

Please submit your completed questionnaire at your earliest convenience but no later than **31 January 2014** to:

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The full questionnaire can also be completed online or downloaded in word format from <http://undesadspd.org/IndigenousPeoples/UNPFIIISessions/Thirteenth/Questionnaire.aspx>

### **Introduction**

This questionnaire is divided into two sections and is designed to obtain information for the United Nations Permanent Forum's thirteenth session 12 - 23 May 2014 as well as information on the achievements of the Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People (2005 – 2014) in accordance with General Assembly A/RES/67/153, para 13, adopted on 20 December 2012.

This resolution requests the Secretary-General, in collaboration with Member States, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples, the International Labour Organization, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and other relevant funds, programmes and specialized agencies of the United Nations system, to prepare a comprehensive last report on the achievement of the goal and objectives of the Second Decade, and its impact on the Millennium Development Goals, which shall serve as an input to the preparatory process for the World Conference and to the discussion on the United Nations development agenda beyond 2015.

## **SECTION 1 - Evaluation of the achievement of the goal and objectives of the Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People**

**Q1. In accordance with the objectives of the Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous Peoples, please provide information on:**

- Your Government's provision to secure the political representation of indigenous peoples within the governing structures on a local, regional level as well as their inclusion in the national system;
- Constitutional provisions, Government laws, policies, resources, programmes and projects that are specifically addressed to indigenous peoples;
- Government guidelines on formulating public policies with the participation and involvement of indigenous peoples;
- Budgetary allocations for projects/activities for indigenous peoples;
- Use of indigenous languages in the State apparatus and public service;
- Highlight any good practices.

**Q1.**

**Q2. In accordance with the objectives of the Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, please provide information on:**

- Your Government's implementation of indigenous peoples involvement in national public policies in the areas of education, culture, health, human rights, environment, or social and economic development;
- Integration of indigenous learning systems and traditional knowledge in national education curriculum;
- Integration of indigenous peoples' culture and traditional knowledge in public health policies and plans at national/regional and local level;
- Application by Government of the principle of free, prior and informed consent in the negotiations with indigenous peoples regarding access and use of their traditional lands and territories and natural resources, especially in case of mega-infrastructure and development projects;
- Involvement of indigenous peoples into the country's land titling laws / land reform processes.

**Q2.**

**Q3. In accordance with the objectives of the Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, please provide information on:**

- Your Government's initiatives to develop and/or implement measures for protecting and promoting cultural diversity and inter-culturality;
- Initiatives to recover or preserve and protect indigenous peoples' heritage sites and other parts of their tangible and intangible heritage;
- Public mechanisms or institutions focused on the protection of indigenous peoples' traditional knowledge and genetic resources.

**Q3.**

**Q4. In accordance with the objectives of the Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People, please provide information on:**

**Q4(a)** Does your Government have a particular focus, programmes, laws and institutions to address indigenous children and youth in your country? If "Yes", please provide a brief description of these programmes.

**Q4.(a)**

**Q4 (b)** Does your Government have a particular focus, programmes, laws and institutions to address indigenous women in your country? If “Yes”, please provide a brief description of these programmes.

**Q4 (b).**

**Q4 (c)** Does your Government have targeted policies, programmes, projects, benchmarks and budgets for indigenous peoples in the areas of education, health, environment, social and economic development?

**Q4 (c).**

**Q5. In accordance with the objectives of the Second International Decade of the World’s Indigenous People, please provide information on:**

- Existence of disaggregated data and statistics on indigenous peoples, including through national census;
- Existence of official reports or research on the situation of your country’s indigenous peoples.

**Q5.**

**Q6.** Does your Government have a national institution (ministry, department, ombudsman, etc.) on indigenous peoples' issues? If "Yes", please provide a brief summary of the focus and activities of the institution as well as the names and contact details of the focal point on indigenous peoples' issues.

**Q6.**

**Q7.** Does your Government have any formal or ad hoc capacity-building programmes on indigenous peoples' issues for civil servants? If "Yes", please provide a brief description of these programmes.

**Q7.**

**Q8.** Please provide a brief account of some of your Governments' efforts regarding indigenous peoples and the Millennium Development Goals.

**Q8.**

**Q9.** Please list information on how your Government currently promotes and/or implements the U.N. Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

## **SECTION 2 - Preparation for the Thirteenth session of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues**

The report of the 12<sup>th</sup> Session of the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues provides a number of recommendations within its mandated areas, some of which are addressed to Member States.

### **Question 1**

Briefly state what recommendations from the Twelfth Session of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII)<sup>1</sup> or recommendations from previous sessions (not addressed in previous reports) were addressed by your Government.

### **Question 2**

At its thirteenth session in 2014, UNPFII will address the follow theme “Principles of good governance consistent with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: articles 3 to 6 and 46”. The provisional agenda for the thirteenth session also includes Half-day discussion on the Asian region; Discussion on the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples; and Discussions on a number of ongoing priorities and themes, such as indigenous children, indigenous youth, the Second International Decade of the World’s Indigenous People and the Post-2015 Development Agenda.

Briefly state how your Government deals with these issues in regards to indigenous peoples.

**Q2 (a).** The theme on Good governance

**Q2 (a).**

**Q2 (b).** Ongoing priorities for indigenous children and youth

**Q2 (b).**

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<sup>1</sup> The following paragraphs of the Report on the Twelfth Session of the Permanent Forum (E/2013/43) contain recommendations addressed to Member States: 7 (b), 7 (c), 7 (e), 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 34, 37, 38, 41, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 89, 91, 95, 96, 97, 98, 100, 102, 103, 112, 115, 118, 120, 122.

