

**Programme of Action
for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010: goals and indicators**

Goal 1. Attain a GDP growth rate of at least 7 per cent per annum

Indicators:

1. Real GDP (WB)
2. GDP growth rate (%) (WB)

Goal 2. Increase the ratio of investment to GDP to 25 per cent per annum

Indicator:

3. Gross capital formation (% of GDP) (WB)

Goal 3. Make substantial progress toward halving the proportion of people living in extreme poverty by 2015 (MDG 1, T-1)

Indicator:

4. Proportion of population below \$1 (PPP) per day (WB)
5. Poverty gap ratio (WB)
6. Share of poorest quintile in national consumption (WB)

Goal 4: Make substantial progress towards halving the proportion of people from hunger by 2015 (MDG 1, T-2)

Indicator:

7. Proportion of population below minimum level of dietary energy consumption (FAO)

Goal 5: Making accessible, through the primary health system, reproductive health to all individuals of appropriate ages as soon as possible and no later than the year 2015

Indicators:

8. Percentage of births attended by skilled health personnel (UNICEF-WHO)
9. Percentage of women reporting 4 or more antenatal visits (UNPD)
10. Contraceptive use among currently married women aged 15-49, any method (UNPD)
11. Contraceptive prevalence rate (UNPD)

Goal 6. Making available the widest achievable range of safe, effective, affordable and acceptable family planning and contraceptive methods

Indicators:

See 10 and 11.

Goal 7. Ensuring that by 2015 all children, particularly girls, children in difficult circumstances and those belonging to ethnic minorities, have access to and complete, free and compulsory primary education of good quality (MDG 2, T-3)

Indicators:

12. Net enrolment ratio in primary education, both sexes (UNESCO)
13. Net enrolment ratio in primary education, girls (UNESCO)
14. Net enrolment ratio in primary education, boys (UNESCO)
15. Proportion of pupils starting grade 1 who reach grade 5, both sexes (UNESCO)
16. Proportion of pupils starting grade 1 who reach grade 5, girls (UNESCO)
17. Proportion of pupils starting grade 1 who reach grade 5, boys (UNESCO)

Goal 8. Achieving a 50 per cent improvement in levels of adult literacy by 2015, especially for women, and equitable access to basic and continuing education for all adults

Indicators:

18. Adult literacy rate, both sexes (UNESCO)
19. Adult literacy rate, women (UNESCO)
20. Adult literacy rate, men (UNESCO)
21. Literacy rate of 15-24 year-olds, both sexes (UNESCO)
22. Literacy rate of 15-24 year-olds, women (UNESCO)
23. Literacy rate of 15-24 year-olds, men (UNESCO)

Goal 9. Eliminating gender disparities in primary and secondary education by 2005, and achieving gender equality in education by 2015, with a focus on ensuring girls' full and equal access to and achievement in basic education of good quality (MDG 3, T-4)

Indicators:

24. Ratio of girls and boys in primary education (UNESCO)
25. Ratio of girls and boys in secondary education (UNESCO)
26. Ratio of literate women and men of 15-24 year-olds (UNESCO)
27. Proportion of seats occupied by women in national parliament (IPU)
28. Share of women in wage employment in the non-agricultural sector (ILO)

Goal 10. Reducing the infant mortality rate below 35 per 1,000 live births by 2015 (MDG 4, T-5)

Indicators:

29. Infant mortality rate (UNICEF- WHO)
 30. Proportion of 1-year-old children immunized against measles (UNICEF –WHO)
 31. Proportion of 1-year-old children immunized against tuberculosis (UNICEF –WHO)
 32. Proportion of 1-year-old children immunized against DPT (UNICEF –WHO)
- See also 8.

Goal 11. Reducing the under 5 mortality rate below 45 per 1,000 live births by 2015 (MDG 4, T-5)

Indicator:

33. Under-five mortality rate (UNICEF-WHO). See also 29, 30, 31, 32 and 8.

Goal 12. Reducing the maternal mortality rate by three-quarters of the current rate by 2015 (MDG 5, T-6)

Indicator:

34. Maternal mortality rate (UNICEF-WHO)

See also 8

Goal 13. Reducing the number of undernourished people by half, by the year 2015

Indicator:

See 7.

Goal 14. Reducing by half, by 2015, the proportion of people who are unable to reach or afford safe drinking water (MDG 7, T-10)

Indicator:

35. Proportion of population with sustainable access to improved water sources, both urban and rural (UNICEF / WHO)

Goal 15. Reducing HIV infection rates in persons 15-24 years of age by 2005 in all countries, and by 25 per cent in the most affected countries (MDG 6, T-7)

Indicators:

36. HIV prevalence among pregnant women, aged 15-24. (UNAIDS- WHO – UNICEF)

37. Condom use rate of the contraceptive prevalence rate (UNAIDS- WHO – UNICEF – UNPD)

38. Condom use at high risk sex (UNAIDS- WHO – UNICEF – UNPD)

39. Percentage of population aged 15-24 with comprehensive correct knowledge of HIV/AIDS (UNICEF-UNAIDS-WHO)

See also 11.

Goal 16. Increasing the percentage of women receiving maternal and prenatal care by 60 per cent

Indicators:

See 8 and 9.

Goal 17. Halving malnutrition among pregnant women and among pre-school children in LDCs by 2015

Indicators:

40. Prevalence of underweight children under five years of age (UNICEF – WHO)

41. Prevalence of under height children under five years of age (UNICEF – WHO)

Goal 18. Substantially reducing infection rates from malaria, tuberculosis and other killer diseases in LDCs by the end of the decade; reducing tuberculosis (TB) deaths and prevalence of the disease by 50 per cent by 2010; and reducing the burden of disease associated with malaria by 50 per cent by 2010 (MDG 6, T-8)

Indicators:

- 42. Prevalence and death rates associated with malaria (WHO)
- 43. Proportion of population in malaria/risk areas using effective malaria prevention and treatment measures (UNICEF-WHO)
- 44. Prevalence and death rates associated with tuberculosis (WHO)
- 45. Proportion of tuberculosis cases detected and cured under DOTS (internationally recommended TB control strategy) (WHO)

Goal 19. Promoting child health and survival and reducing disparities between and within developed and developing countries as quickly as possible, with particular attention to eliminating the pattern of excess and preventable mortality among girl infants and children

Indicators:

- See 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 35. See also 40 and 41.
- 46. Children orphaned by AIDS (UNICEF)
- 47. Proportion of population with access to improved sanitation (UNICEF-WHO).
(MDG 7, T-10)
- See also 45.

Goal 20. Improving the health and nutritional status of infants and children

- See 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34.
- See also 40 and 41.

Goal 21. Promoting breast feeding as a child survival strategy

Indicator:

- 48. Percent of children under 6 months who are exclusively breastfed (UNICEF)
- 49. Percent of children (6-9 months) breastfed with complementary food (UNICEF)
- 50. Percent of children (20-23 months) still breastfeeding (UNICEF)

Goal 22. Increasing road networks or connections in LDCs to the current level of other developing countries and urban road capacities, including sewerage and other related facilities, by 2010

Indicators:

- 51. Total road network (km) (WB/IRF)
- 52. Paved primary roads (WB-IRF)

Goal 23. Modernizing and expanding ports and airports and their ancillary facilities to enhance their capacities by 2010

Indicators:

- 53. Container traffic (TEU) thousands (WB)

- 54. Aircraft departures (thousands) (WB-ICAO)
- 55. Passengers carried (thousands) (WB-ICAO)
- 56. Air freight millions ton-km (WB-ICAO)

Goal 24. Modernizing and expanding railway connections and facilities, increasing their capacities to the level of those in other developing countries by the end of the decade

Indicators:

- 57. Total rail lines (km) (WB-IRU)
- 58. Electric rail lines (km) (WB-IRU)
- 59. Traffic density units per km (WB-IRU)

Goal 25. Increasing LDCs' communication networks, including telecommunication and postal services, and improving access of the poor to such services in urban and rural areas to reach the current levels in other developing countries

Indicators:

- 60. Post offices open to the public (WB-IPU)
- See also 61.

Goal 26. Increasing computer literacy among students in higher institutions and universities by 50 per cent and in junior and high schools by 25 per cent, by 2015

Indicator:

Goal 27. Increasing average telephone density to 5 main lines per 100 inhabitants and Internet connections to 10 users per 100 inhabitants by the year 2010 (MDG 8, T-18)

Indicators:

- 61. Telephone lines and cellular subscribers per 100 population (ITU)
- 62. Personal computers in use per 100 population and Internet users per 100 population (ITU)

Goal 28. Donor countries providing more than 0.20 per cent of their GNP as ODA to LDCs: continue to do so and increase their efforts (MDG 8, T-13)

Indicator:

- 63. Net ODA total to LDCs, as percentage of OECD/DAC donors' GNI (OECD)

Goal 29. Other donor countries which have met the 0.15 per cent target: undertake to reach 0.20 per cent expeditiously

Indicator: See 63.

Goal 30. All other donor countries which have committed themselves to the 0.15 per cent target: reaffirm their commitment and undertake either to achieve the target within the next five years or to make their best efforts to accelerate their endeavours to reach the target.

Indicator: See 63.