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Sudan UPR Briefing for Nepal

Sudan Task Force

Advocacy and engagement with States coordinated by the Committee for Justice (CFJ).

The Sudan Task Force invites Nepal to renew and strengthen its recommendations to Sudan in light of continuing violations, with concrete protection and accountability measures for the 2027 Universal Periodic Review.

Previous recommendations and implementation

Women's rights and treaty implementation

2022 recommendation 137.14: "Consider ratifying the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women."

Implementation assessment: *Sudan supported this recommendation.* Sudan has not acceded to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. The accession objective remains outstanding. The Sudan Task Force documents rape and other sexual violence during raids, flight, detention and displacement. Survivors face fear of retaliation, stigma and limited access to medical, psychosocial and legal assistance.

National human rights institutions

2022 recommendation 137.103: "Step up efforts for to strengthen the national human rights mechanism and operationalize it in line with the Paris Principles."

Implementation assessment: *Sudan supported this recommendation.* The establishment, legal status, accreditation, resourcing or practical independence required by this recommendation has not been verified in full. Continuing detention abuses and accountability failures show the need for effective national oversight and transparent implementation of human rights commitments, with participation by civil society.

Sexual and gender based violence

2022 recommendation 137.247: "Continue measures to combat gender-based violence and harmful traditional practices."

Implementation assessment: *Sudan supported this recommendation.* Effective prevention and protection have not been achieved. The Sudan Task Force documents rape and other sexual violence during raids, flight, detention and displacement. Survivors face fear of retaliation, stigma and limited access to medical, psychosocial and legal assistance. Progress on the separate harmful-practice or female-genital-mutilation clauses has not been comprehensively verified.

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New recommendations from the Sudan Task Force

The Sudan Task Force proposes that Nepal put forward the following recommendations during Sudan's 2027 Universal Periodic Review.

Sexual and gender based violence

1. Within six months, establish formal coordination between the unit combating violence against women, prosecutors and health authorities to investigate and refer conflict-related sexual violence cases, maintain a unified confidential case system, and publish annual anonymized data on investigations and judicial referrals.

2. Within six months, establish free and confidential referral services for survivors in conflict-affected States and displacement sites, providing medical care, psychosocial support and legal assistance, including accessible mobile services for children and women with disabilities, without conditioning care on filing a complaint.

Accountability and implementation

3. Within six months, adopt a national plan to implement all outstanding supported UPR recommendations, including those from the 2022 cycle, identifying responsible bodies, timelines and indicators, and publish a progress report every six months in consultation with civil society.

Suggested note on timing: *Unless otherwise specified, the proposed implementation deadlines would run from the adoption of Sudan's 2027 UPR outcome. Existing legal obligations and urgent protection measures require immediate action.*

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