

**Submission in follow-up to HRC resolution 21/32 “The Right to Development”
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- The draft ‘Right to Development’ criteria and operational sub criteria is a well constructed and comprehensive framework to measure the essential features of the ‘Right to development’ concept, integration relevant and measurable human rights indicators with more classic socio-economic indicators
- However, quantitative indicators could be further enhanced by utilizing complementary methods associated with a qualitative approach to data collection
- Such methods if implemented correctly will be beneficial in terms of capturing social life which is essentially a dynamic process and add explanatory power to the static picture
- Additional focus should be placed on the development rights of indigenous people

In light of the above, the following additional propositions are made:

1. Under attribute 2: Participatory Human Rights Processes;
 - a criteria to promote a complete inclusion and participation of minorities and indigenous peoples
 - b. sub-criteria – User friendly mechanisms set up to document and act upon indigenous peoples and minorities’ grievances and concerns
 - c. indicators-Number of special cells set up in development areas where minorities and indigenous peoples are living and use language that are familiar to them and personnel able to communicate in their language.
2. Under Attribute 3. Social Justice in Development
 - a criteria-To prevent further victimization of indigenous people and minorities within the judicial system
 - b sub-criteria-education and training of lawyers dealing with cases that involves indigenous peoples and minorities.

- c indicators-number of cases involving indigenous people's and minorities and their attitude and trust about the judicial system.

Criteria

Sub-criteria

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| i) | To ensure increase in productivity through creation of job opportunities and training | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Diversify the economy; (b) Protection against discrimination; (c) Right to equal opportunity; (d) Right to job mobility; (e) Protection against exploitation;
and (f) Right to decent job and adequate remuneration |
| ii) | To ensure right to information and expression via media and other means of communication | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Promulgation of legislations; (b) Establish an independent body to safeguard the national interest and interest of the citizens; and (c) Setting up of a Code of Ethics for the media |
| iii) | To promote setting up of a proper and adequate infrastructure to support development | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Set up schools, hospitals and other essential public buildings; (b) Build and improve the road network; and (c) Invest in modern seaport and airport |