



**SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

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# WHAT IS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT?



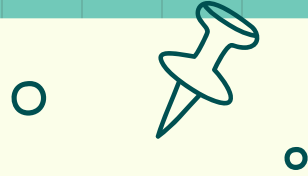
Sustainable Development is a holistic approach to economic, social, and environmental progress that aims to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

It encompasses three key pillars:

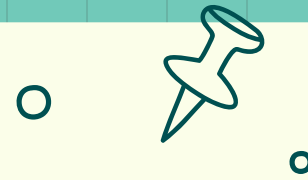
1. Economic Sustainability
2. Social Sustainability
3. Environmental Sustainability



1. **Economic Sustainability:** This involves promoting economic growth, productivity, and prosperity while ensuring that resources are used efficiently and that benefits are equitably distributed.
2. **Social Sustainability:** It focuses on improving the quality of life for all people, including access to education, healthcare, and social justice. It aims to reduce inequality and ensure that basic human rights are met.
3. **Environmental Sustainability:** This pillar emphasizes the responsible management of natural resources, the protection of ecosystems, and the reduction of negative environmental impacts. It seeks to minimize pollution, conserve biodiversity, and combat climate change.



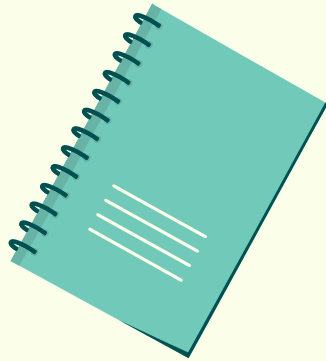
- Sustainable Development recognizes the **interconnectedness** of these three pillars and seeks to strike a balance that enables progress while preserving the planet and promoting social equity.
- It's often visualized as a **Venn diagram**, with sustainable development occurring at the intersection of these three dimensions.
- The **United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** provide a framework for countries and organizations to work towards a more sustainable future by addressing various global challenges.



- The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), also known as the **Global Goals**, are a **set of 17 interlinked and ambitious goals** established by the United Nations in **2015** as part of the **2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**.
- They provide a shared **blueprint for peace and prosperity** for people and the planet by addressing a wide range of global challenges.
- Here are the SDGs in detail:

# Do you know all 17 SDGs?


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1. **No Poverty:** End poverty in all its forms and everywhere.
2. **Zero Hunger:** End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture.
3. **Good Health and Well-being:** Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.
4. **Quality Education:** Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.





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5. **Gender Equality:** Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.
  6. **Clean Water and Sanitation:** Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.
  7. **Affordable and Clean Energy:** Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all.
  8. **Decent Work and Economic Growth:** Promote sustained, inclusive, and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for all.





9. **Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure:** Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization, and foster innovation.
  
10. **Reduced Inequality:** Reduce inequality within and among countries.
  
11. **Sustainable Cities and Communities:** Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable.
  
12. **Responsible Consumption and Production:** Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns.



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13. **Climate Action:** Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.
  14. **Life Below Water:** Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas, and marine resources for sustainable development.
  15. **Life on Land:** Protect, restore, and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, halt and reverse land degradation, and halt biodiversity loss.
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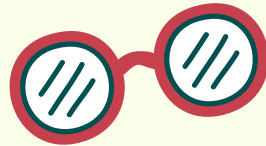
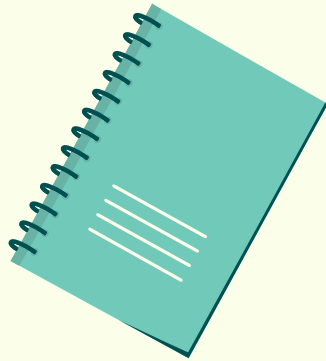
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16. **Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions:** Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all, and build effective, accountable, and inclusive institutions at all levels.
17. **Partnerships for the Goals:** Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development.
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- Each goal has **specific targets and indicators** that are **interconnected**, recognizing that **progress in one area often depends on progress in others**.
- Achieving the SDGs requires **collaboration** among **governments, businesses, civil society, and individuals**, and a commitment to leaving no one behind.
- The **2030 Agenda aims** to address global challenges like **poverty, inequality, climate change, environmental degradation, and promote peace and justice** on a global scale.

# Overview Video: The Sustainable Development Report 2023

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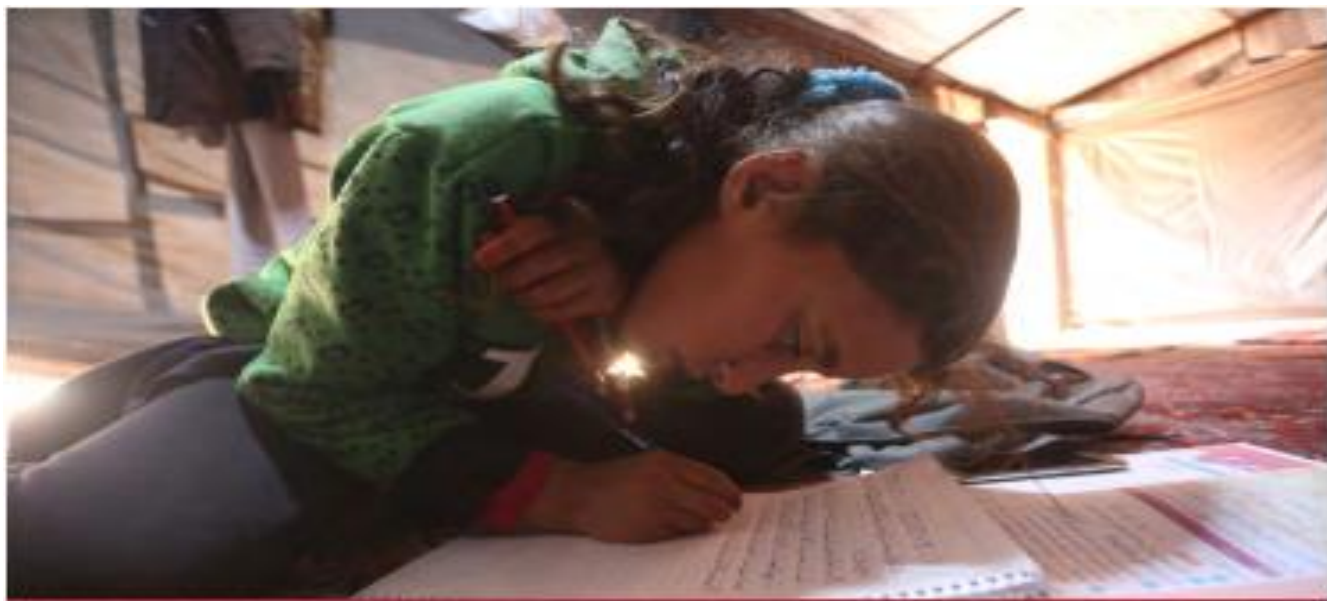
**Daily life of residents living in the Sujat Nagar slum in Dhaka, Bangladesh.**



Children in the Santeng community of Tongo District, Ghana, enjoy porridge made from *fonio*, an ancient indigenous drought-resistant crop cultivated by rural women.



**Nine-month-old Sofia receives routine vaccinations and a medical check-up with her mother at a clinic in Bolivia.**



**Maria, 9, learns from pre-recorded lessons on her father's phone at the Kili internally displaced persons camp in Syria. A distance-learning platform was designed to ensure education for displaced and refugee children.**



**Women from different social organizations participate in a march against gender violence in Quito, Ecuador.**



**Fatuma pours water, obtained from a recently installed solar-powered borehole, for her family's baby goats in drought-stricken Somalia.**



**In Lebanon, women install solar panels as part of efforts to empower women in the renewable energy sector, improving their skills for economic empowerment during crises and the pandemic.**



**Anisa, who turned to the profession of electronic device repairs to help women customers, mends a laptop at her phone and computer maintenance shop in Yemen.**



**Workers in Bhutan address Phangyul's water scarcity with the installation of a pressurized piped irrigation scheme, retrofitted with new and climate-resilient technology. The new irrigation will benefit 24 villages and more than 1,300 acres of agricultural land.**



**Migrants cross the dangerous Darien jungle between Colombia and Panama, which saw a seven-fold increase in the number of children going through the jungle in the first two months of 2023 compared with 2022.**



**A metro line tunnel and station providing a safer and more sustainable transport system is under construction in Lima, Peru.**



**Workers sort plastics at a recycling plant in Côte d'Ivoire. Plastic pollution threatens the country's coast, lagoons, fishing and tourism. Overhauling the economic model governing plastics is essential to address this crisis.**



**Two men wade through flood water in Pakistan after torrential monsoon rains dumped up to five times the 30-year average rainfall. Such events are now more likely and more severe due to climate change.**



**An elderly woman plants mangroves in Timor-Leste. Mangroves build shoreline resilience, providing natural protection against erosion and absorbing storm surges, protecting local communities and their livelihoods.**



**Villagers in China's eastern Yunhe County revive hillside farms with eco-friendly practices, attracting global visitors and earning recognition as a top ecotourism destination for the restoration of its ecosystem.**



**Shukri, the youngest member of Somalia's first all-women media team, Bilan Media, films in Mogadishu amid the daily threat of targeted violence against journalists.**



**An Eduardo Kobra mural at United Nations Headquarters in New York, donated by Brazil's Permanent Mission, portrays sustainable development: balancing present needs without compromising the Earth's ability to meet future generations' needs.**