

**Questionnaire of the Special Rapporteur on minority issues to  
National Human Rights Institutions**

\*\*

*In answering the questions below, please consider that the term “Roma” “refers to Roma, Sinti, Kale and Travellers, and aims at covering the wide diversity of groups concerned, including groups that identify themselves as “Gypsies”, in line with the definition provided by Human Rights Council resolution 26/4 (attached).*

1. Does your National Institution undertake work specifically relating to the promotion and protection of the rights of Roma? What particular activities relating to Roma is your National Institution involved in? Does your Institution have any strategic or action plan to address Roma issues?
2. Does your National Institution have a unit that deals with minority rights with sufficient dedicated expertise on Roma issues, or a focal point for Roma issues? Does your National Institution include staff members from Roma communities? Please provide details.
3. Does your National Institution monitor violations of the human rights of Roma and provide advice to the Government on compliance with national, regional and international human rights instruments? If so, please give concrete examples.
4. Do your staff receive training on how to counter racism and intolerance, discrimination, social exclusion and/or marginalization of Roma? Please share all relevant details and documentation.
5. Does your National Institution consider complaints and petitions concerning individual situations and, if so, does it assist Roma in gaining access to effective redress for human rights violation? Please provide details and examples.
6. In what ways are the views and opinions of the Roma communities taken into account in your work, and how are Roma able to participate in relevant aspects of your work, including through public consultations or seminars?
7. Does your National Institution apply a gender perspective throughout its activities? In the affirmative, how does it ensure the effective participation of Roma women to its work? Please give concrete examples.
8. Have your National Institution conducted surveys or collected disaggregated data relating to national or ethnic, religious or linguistic minorities, or otherwise produced reports concerning the Roma population? If so, please attach relevant documents.

*Please provide any additional information relevant to Roma population that may be informative to the work of the Special Rapporteur on minority issues and the OHCHR.*