

Questionnaire of the Special Rapporteur on minority issues to Member States

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. Please, provide specific information about the Roma communities living in your country. What is the estimated size of the Roma population? Are Roma communities concentrated in certain parts of the country? Please attach any relevant data.
2. Does your State collect socio-economic data such as poverty and unemployment rates, healthcare data, living conditions, educational levels, income levels or rates of economic participation disaggregated by different population groups, including Roma? What does such data reveal in regard to the situation of Roma? Please, attach relevant data if available. In the absence of such data what is the source of information your State relies upon to develop various measures and programmes for Roma inclusion?
3. Is there any ongoing national policy/strategy/action plan to ensure Roma inclusion in the political, social, economic and cultural life of your country? If so, please explain how these measures are developed, designed, implemented, monitored and evaluated in consultation with, and with the effective participation of Roma, including Roma women. If your State has already reported on similar issues to other international or regional organisations, please share existing relevant reports and/or documentation.
4. How strategies or policy measures for inclusion take into systematic consideration the specific conditions, situations and needs of Roma women, including in the areas of access to adequate education, healthcare and reproductive rights? Please attach the most relevant information including, if applicable, specific measures taken to combat segregation and/or multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination faced by Roma women, as well as the main measurable achievements in these areas.
5. Is there any available information and data about violence against Roma population, especially women and children? If yes, what are the different forms of violence they experience and what measures have been taken to assist, protect, and compensate the victims?

6. Has your Government identified the main priority areas for Roma inclusion? If yes, what are the main goals? Please provide relevant details in this respect, as well as an estimate of funds allocated on measures relating to national strategies and policies for Roma inclusion.
7. Does your Government monitor progress made in the area of Roma inclusion in the political, social, economic and culture life of the State? If so, what are the visible and measurable achievements of various efforts undertaken for Roma inclusion? Please provide details.
8. In the Government's view, if there are still persistent disparities among Roma and other population groups, what were the failures and what are the ongoing challenges to close the gap and achieve full inclusion of Roma? In which areas is there the biggest need to step up efforts?
9. Is Roma history and culture part of the national curriculum? Is the International Roma Day celebrated and if yes, how?
10. What channels for articulating, aggregating, and representing the interests of Roma, including through body/institution/unit or other establishments do exist in your country? If applicable, please indicate how such initiatives include staff or representatives from Roma communities.

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.