



# THE PROGRESSIVE REALIZATION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS TO WATER AND SANITATION

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### DISCUSSION POINTS

1. How can the concepts of 'progressive realization', 'maximum available resources' and 'minimum core obligations' be translated in the context of the human rights to water and sanitation?
2. What elements and specificities of the human rights to water and sanitation should be considered in the application of the three concepts mentioned above?
3. To which extent do human rights monitoring bodies (and others, such as the Joint Monitoring Programme) assess the implementation of States' obligations relating to the three concepts mentioned above? How can those bodies further address those concepts?
4. How can we assess compliance with the obligation of progressive realization? Is the standard of reasonableness (and related standards such as adequacy, appropriateness, and proportionality) sufficient to determine whether the steps taken by a State comply with its obligations? How to translate those standards in the water sector?
5. Is there any other perspective that you would like to bring to the discussion that is related to the three concepts mentioned above in the context of the human rights to water and sanitation?



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**Register before  
15 October**



**10 A.M. - 12 P.M.**

**Read the  
Concept Note**



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