Structure of the HLPF Ministerial Declaration 2020

I. Introduction

- 75th anniversary of the UN, commitment to multilateralism, international cooperation and partnerships, the role of UN in realizing the vision of the 2030 Agenda and supporting the response to COVID-19 for a sustainable recovery and accelerating the pace of progress.
- COVID-19 and its impact, need for a coordinated global response to the crisis and international solidarity. 2030 Agenda as our first line of defense.
- Reaffirmation of the commitment to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs and the realization of the decade of action and delivery with accelerated actions and transformative pathways, reaffirmation of the 2030 Agenda and its principals.
- Reference to the SDG Summit 2019, reaffirm the commitment and stand ready for action and delivery.

II. Assessment of the situation regarding the 2030 Agenda

- Impact of COVID-19 to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, SDGs and the decade of action and delivery.
- Reference to assessment of SDG summit, longer term progress and challenges in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs.

III. Actions to be taken on the way forward

- SDG-sensitive response to COVID-19 and rebuilding better so as to deliver on the decade of action and achieve sustainable development for current and future generations.
- Call for new commitments and initiatives for the decade of action to respond to the Political Declaration of the SDG Summit (SDG Moment).
- Poverty as the overarching objective.
- Leaving no one behind, human rights, addressing inequality and the needs of the most vulnerable, gender equality, social inclusion and the impact of COVID-19.
- Countries at various levels of development, countries in special situations, and special emphasis on their recovery from COVID-19 and addressing their long-term needs.
- Actions for advancing human well-being, ending poverty, hunger, malnutrition, food security, access to clean drinking water, energy, infrastructure – noting such actions will have ripple effects across the SDGs.
- Actions for increasing resilience in economic, social and environmental areas including by establishing more resilient health systems, universal health coverage, social protection, resuming inclusive growth, restoring employment and decent work, access to quality education.
- Protecting the planet, climate action, disaster risk reduction, biodiversity, clean environment, circular economy.
- SDG 2020 targets.
- Means of implementation, financing (including debt relief, combatting illicit financial flows, multilateral trading system), scaling up health spending, technologies, digitalization, capacity building, technical assistance, data, science-policy interface, innovation, impact on society.
- Coordinated global response on supporting recovery from COVID-19 and accelerated actions for the decade of action.
- Enhanced UN role in light of the World’s new realities post COVID-19, including digital UN, feedback on UN system response.
- Public engagement, regional and local mobilization and actions, involvement of communities, people, stakeholders, private sector, youth – Partnerships.
- Use the key findings and evidence extracted from the VNRs in supporting the implementation and accelerated actions for the decade of action and delivery.
- Recovering better, transformative pathway with strong institutions, decoupling growth from environmental degradation, integrated approach and leveraging interlinkages and synergies of SDGs, and minimize tradeoffs among the SDGs.