

Bhutan Intervention

We believe the philosophy and practice of Gross National Happiness can contribute to build back better in balance in Bhutan but also beyond

For every SDG 1- 17, Gross National Happiness adds another dimension of solidarity and dignity to sustainable development.

Starting with SDG 1, ending poverty, GNH assists by suggesting well-rounded well-being for world.

For SDG 4, it is the heart of the 2030 agenda offering help and hope to all youth. Therefore we must prioritize its role in our national policy and through adequate resources to realize rights of all in Bhutan. Education provides purpose to youth deciding ability to contribute to our common future.

In regards to SDG 11, Bhutan will build from community to city to country encouraging greater engagement in local affairs and government. Bhutan should support human rights cities and build model Voluntary Local Reviews for our next Voluntary National Review.

In regard to SDG 16, Bhutan has made significant improvements in its national institutions embracing equality and equity with reforms rooted in human rights and ever engaging its people toward greater and genuine democratic governance. Another improvement will be to create a an independent National Human Rights Institution

We believe GNH is essence of SDG 17. We desire to contribute as civil society and state. We are supportive of Aotearoa measurement of well-being and believe it adds to our chorus of GNH. We call on all countries of the UN to contribute cultural models to measure the SDG movement and partner with purpose to achieve the 2030 agenda.

Will Bhutan reach out and partner with fellow member states on initiatives building on GNH for greater well-being around the world?