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List of themes in relation to the combined twenty-second to twenty-fourth reports of Denmark

Note by the Country Rapporteur

1. The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination decided at its seventy-sixth session (see A/65/18, para. 85) that the Country Rapporteur would send to the State party concerned a short list of themes with a view to guiding and focusing the dialogue between the State party’s delegation and the Committee during the consideration of the State party’s report. The present document contains a list of such themes. It is not an exhaustive list; other issues may also be raised in the course of the dialogue. No written replies are required.

Statistics (arts. 1 and 5)

2. Measures taken to revise data collection processes to include ethnicity; Further information on country of origin and citizenship data which has been collected on immigrants and descendants, foreign nationals and newly arrived refugees and immigrants (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 7; CERD/C/DNK/22-24, paras. 9-13).

The Convention in domestic law and the institutional and policy framework for its implementation (arts. 2, 4, 6 and 7)

3. Details on the implementation of the Convention in the domestic legal order; Examples of the application of the Convention by the Danish courts; Measures taken to amend the Criminal Code to bring it in line with the Convention (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 8; CERD/C/DNK/22-24, paras. 14-16).

4. Detailed information on racial discrimination complaints received and investigated by the Danish National Police, including under sections 266 b and section 81, paragraph 6 of the Criminal Code and the outcome of such cases including the reasons for discontinuing any investigations or withdrawing any charges (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 9; CERD/C/DNK/22-24, para. 43).

5. Information on progress towards developing a National Action Plan on Racism (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 10).

6. Measures taken to strengthen the procedure for lodging complaints with the Board of Equal Treatment, including through allowing oral testimonies; Measures taken to raise public awareness about the Board and their impact; Information on types of compensation awarded...
by the Board to victims of racial discrimination (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 17, CERD/C/DNK/22-24, paras. 255-257).

Racist hate speech, incitement to racial hatred and hate crimes (arts. 2, 4 and 6)
7. Measures taken to address and prevent racist and xenophobic discourse by politicians and racist messages on the internet (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21/Add.1, para. 2; CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 10).
9. Updated number of hate crimes and crimes with racist motivation registered by the Danish National Police and information on the nature of such crimes; Updated number of court cases regarding hate crimes and their outcomes (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 9, CERD/C/DNK/22-24, paras. 41 and 67).

Situation of migrants, asylum-seekers, refugees and stateless persons (arts 2 and 5)
10. Information on the implementation of the new political agreement of June 2018 and its impact on the ability of applicants to obtain Danish nationality (CERD/C/DNK/22-24, para. 120).
11. Information on the implementation of the amendment to the Alien Act, which postpones access to family reunification for refugees with temporary protection status from one year to three years, and its impact on the ability of refugees to reunite with their families (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 11, CERD/C/DNK/22-24, paras. 129-136).
12. Measures taken to ensure that receipt of social benefits does not influence the decision to grant residence permits to a spouse or child victim of domestic violence (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 16; CERD/C/DNK/22-24, paras. 102-103).
13. Updated information on measures taken to facilitate access to the labour market by immigrants, refugees, family reunified persons, ethnic minorities and in particular the Roma, and the impact of such measures (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para.15, CERD/C/DNK/22-24, paras. 32-36 and 139-147).
14. Statistical data and information on the nature and outcomes of cases of employment discrimination based on race, colour, descent or ethnic or national origin (CERD/C/DNK/22-24, para. 147).
15. Updated information on measures taken to improve access to quality education of asylum seeking children, ethnic minority children, and particularly Roma children, including efforts to increase bilingual education, and the impact of these measures (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 14; CERD/C/DNK/22-24, paras. 196-201 and 212-219).
16. Measures taken to combat structural discrimination against ethnic minorities, non-citizens in particular non-nationals of the European Union in access to employment, housing, health services, quality education, and access to justice (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 20).
17. Information on measures taken to repeal the law allowing for confiscation of cash and jewellery from asylum seekers; Measures taken to reform or replace facilities used for the administrative detention of migrants such as Ellebaek Centre for foreigners.

Situation of indigenous people of Greenland and the Faroe Islands (arts. 2 and 5)
18. Measures taken to establish a competent body in Greenland to handle complaints of discrimination based on race, colour, ethnic or national origin; Updated information on efforts to establish Greenland’s Human Rights Council and its mandate (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para. 19; CERD/C/DNK22-24 paras. 286-287).
20. Information on efforts to engage in consultations with the Thule Tribe regarding matters of importance to them (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21 para, 21; CERD/C/DNK/22-24, paras. 281-283).


22. Implementation and impact of the strategy for vulnerable Greenlanders and their children in Denmark.

**Situation of ethnic and ethno-religious minorities**

23. Steps taken to remove the term “ghetto” from laws and policies describing collective housing areas of ethnic minorities; Measures taken to ensure access to adequate housing and related benefits, without discrimination, to ethnic minorities and their impact.

24. Statistics on the representation of minorities in political and public affairs, including at the highest levels; Measures taken to increase the recruitment of persons belonging to minority groups in the administration, including in the police and their impact; (CERD/C/DNK/CO/20-21, para 18, CERD/C/DNK/22-24, paras. 97-98).

25. Measures taken to improve the situation of non-western ethnic minority children living in high rates of poverty and their impact.

26. Measures taken to prevent multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination, in particular against Muslims and women of African descent.


**Human rights education to combat prejudice and intolerance (art. 7)**


29. Detailed information on measures taken to promote human rights education, including on racial discrimination, in schools and their impact towards promoting understanding and tolerance among the various ethnic groups, including Roma, refugees and asylum seekers (CERD/C/DNK/22-24, paras. 310-315).