

What are the Millennium Development Goals?

The Millennium Development Goals, MDGs, are eight goals to be achieved by 2015. These goals are designed to respond to the world's biggest development challenges. The eight Millennium Development Goals were agreed at the United Nations Millennium Summit in September 2000. Nearly 190 countries have subsequently signed-up to them.

THE GOALS ARE:

- Goal 1: Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger
- Goal 2: Achieve universal primary education
- Goal 3: Promote gender equality and empower women
- Goal 4: Reduce child mortality
- Goal 5: Improve maternal health
- Goal 6: Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases
- Goal 7: Ensure environmental sustainability
- Goal 8: Develop a Global Partnership for Development

