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2024 UN DAY

CELEBRATING 79 YEARS OF GLOBAL UNITY AND DEVELOPMENT



LET US REAFFIRM OUR DEDICATION TO THE PRINCIPLES OF COOPERATION, SOLIDARITY, AND SHARED RESPONSIBILITY. TOGETHER, WE CAN CREATE A WORLD WHERE EVERY CHILD HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO THRIVE AND CONTRIBUTE TO A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE FOR ALL.

The United Nation plays an essential role in addressing some of the most pressing challenges facing our planet, including poverty, inequality, environmental sustainability, and humanitarian crises. In recognition of United Nation's Day, the Seychelles Institute of Early Childhood Development (IECD) has released an informative card aimed at increasing awareness among our staff about the UN's mission and the fundamental principles established in 1945, in the aftermath of World War II.

Moreover, the UN implements a myriad of programs and initiatives designed to tackle critical issues such as education, disaster relief, and public health. Its role in coordinating international responses to crises is indispensable. As the Seychelles Institute of Early Childhood Development—a UNESCO Category 2 Institute—we take immense pride in participating in this celebration.

Central to our agenda is the well-being of young children across the globe. Aligned with Sustainable Development Goal 4.2, we pledge to guarantee that all girls and boys have access to quality early childhood development, care, and pre-primary education by 2030. This commitment is vital for preparing them for primary education and, ultimately, fostering a brighter future.

We are resolute advocate for an inclusive agenda that emphasizes the political commitment and the importance of effective multisectoral coordination, quality service provision for the holistic development of children and the promotion of lifelong learning. This commitment is vital for preparing them for primary education and, ultimately, fostering a brighter future.

OCTOBER 24TH MARKS A SIGNIFICANT

occasion as we celebrate United Nation's Day, commemorating the 79th anniversary of this vital global institution. This day is a tribute to the UN's enduring commitment to fostering peace, security, cooperation, and development among nations. As a proud Small Island Developing State, Seychelles is honored to stand among the 193 member states, deeply committed to the UN's core objectives of conflict prevention, diplomatic resolution, and the protection of human rights.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION (ECCE) AND UNITED NATION'S DAY



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United Nation's Day, is an opportune moment to reflect on how Early Childhood Care and Education contributes to achieving the UN's broader objectives. Investing in early childhood care and education is not merely a national concern but a global imperative that influences economic stability, social equity, and sustainable development.



The Role of ECCE in Sustainable Development

ECCE encompasses the holistic development of children from birth to eight years old, focusing on their physical, emotional, cognitive, and social growth. This stage of development is critical as it lays the foundation for lifelong learning and well-being. The UN recognizes the significance of this early period, emphasizing it in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly Goal 4; the quality of education.



WHAT ARE THE FOUR MAIN PRINCIPLES OF THE UNITED NATION?

- Peace and Security
- Human Rights
- The Rule of Law
- Development



GLOBAL COOPERATION IN EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION (ECCE)

The UN's emphasis on global cooperation is mirrored in the international efforts to improve ECCE standards worldwide. Organizations such as UNICEF and UNESCO work towards enhancing ECCE policies, sharing best practices, and providing support to countries in need.

These collaborative efforts underscore the importance of knowledge sharing, pooling resources, and expertise, countries can learn from each other and implement effective ECCE strategies that are culturally relevant and impactful.

SDG 4.2

Goal 4.2: By 2030, To ensure that all girls and all boys have access to quality early childhood development, care and pre-primary education so that they are ready for primary education.

- Reducing Inequality: Quality ECCE programs help level the playing field for children from disadvantaged backgrounds, ensuring that every child has the opportunity to thrive regardless of socio-economic status. This is a direct contribution to Goal 10: Reduced Inequality.
- Promoting Health and Well-being: Early childhood education programs often include health components that promote better nutrition, vaccination, and overall well-being, aligning with Goal 3: Good Health and Well-being.
- Fostering Economic Growth: ECCE is not just a social investment but an economic one. High-quality early education equips children with the skills needed for future employment, thus contributing to Goal 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth...

WHY DO WE CELEBRATE UNITED NATION'S DAY?

It serves as an occasion to promote the organisation's goal and principles, such as peace, human rights, social progress, and international cooperation. The day raises awareness about global issues and the work of the UN in addressing them.

WHERE DID THE NAME 'UNITED NATION' COMES FROM?

It was first used in the Declaration by the United Nation on 1st January 1942, during the second World War, when representatives of 26 nations pledged their governments' commitment to continue fighting together against the Axis Powers.

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ROLE OF THE UNITED NATION IN THE WORLD TODAY?

To maintain international peace and security.



QUIZ CORNER



Support Team questions

1. Who is the current Secretary-General of the United Nations, Assembly ?
2. Which year was United Nation Organization established?
3. The United Nation comprise of how many Member States?

Technical Team Questions

1. What are the key objectives of the United Nation Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework 2024-2028 signed by the Government of Seychelles and the UN Country Team?
2. How do organizations like UNICEF, UNESCO, and IECD as a Category 2 Institute, contribute to the enhancement of Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) standards worldwide?
3. Which SDG, relates to early childhood education and state it?
4. Why is investment in early childhood education important for achieving UN objectives?