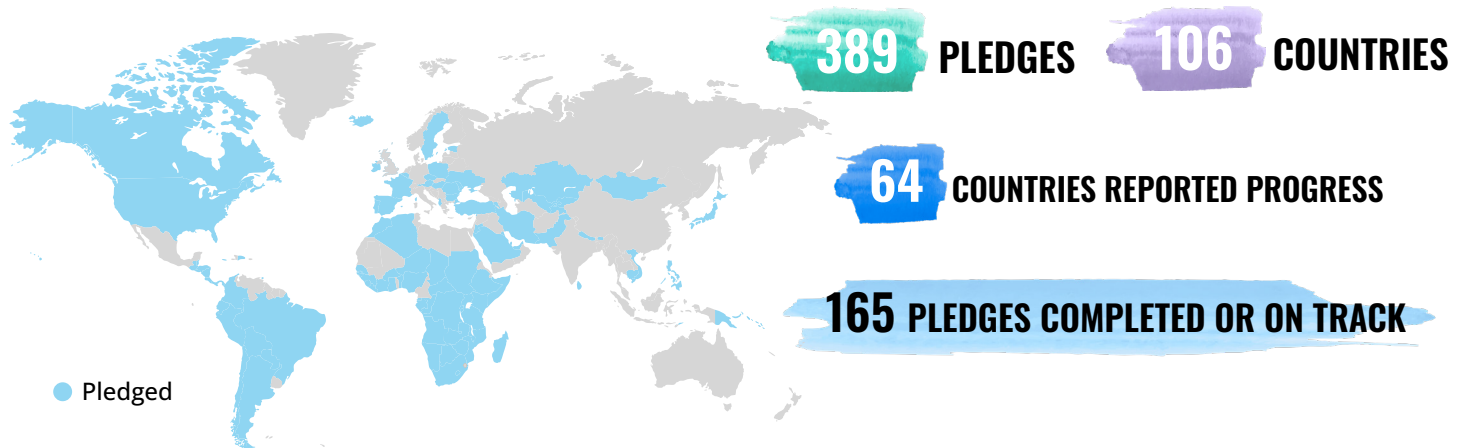


MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON ENDING VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN PLEDGE PROGRESS REPORT 2025

The 1st Global Ministerial Conference on Ending Violence Against Children (Colombia, November 2024) was a milestone moment.

Over 100 countries made concrete commitments to accelerate progress towards a world free from violence by 2030. As we celebrate the anniversary of the Ministerial Conference, drive delivery and maintain momentum to the Second Ministerial Conference on Ending Violence Against Children (November 2026), this note highlights progress headlines of the past 12 months.

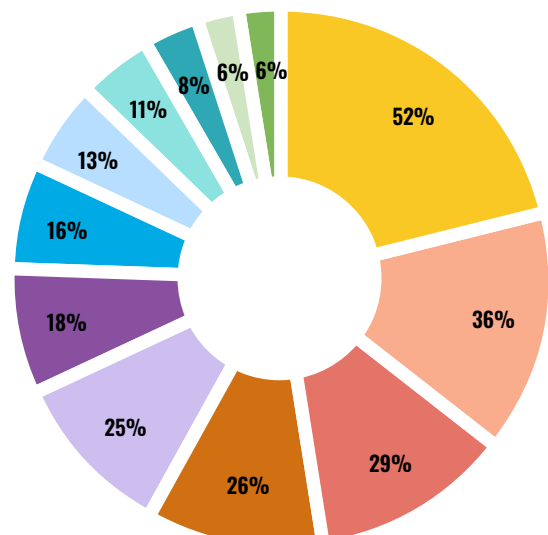
GLOBAL PLEDGE PROGRESS OVERVIEW



Reporting countries: **Africa:** Angola, Benin, Congo, Democratic Republic of the, Cote D'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Morocco, Kingdom of, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Sudan, Tanzania, United Republic of, Uganda, Zimbabwe. **Asia:** Bhutan, Iran, Islamic Republic of, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, Timor-Leste, Türkiye. **Europe:** Andorra, Austria, Estonia, France, Iceland, Moldova, Republic of, Romania. **North America:** Belize, Canada, Costa Rica, Cuba, Guatemala, Honduras. **Oceania:** Solomon Islands. **South America:** Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Paraguay, Peru. As of November 2025

PLEDGE REPORTS BY TOPIC

- Response and support services
- Legal and Policy Frameworks
- Parent and caregiver support
- Safe and enabling school environments
- Governance and Coordination Structure





EXAMPLES OF PROGRESS IN 2025

- **Belize** Introduces the landmark 2025 Families Bill and a gender-responsive student welfare framework, embedding child protection across its education system.
- **Benin** Scales up the National Plan on Child Marriage, certifying 328 villages and reaching 250,000 girls.
- **Brazil** Celebrates strides in child protection, training over 30,000 health professionals, expanding the Family Solidarity Foster Program to 13 states, and launching the Digital Child and Adolescent Statute.
- **Nepal** The expansion of the Child Protection Information Management System (CPIMS) has improved data management capacity.
- **Cuba** Enacts the transformative 2025 Childhood Code, engaging 250,000 families to strengthen rights awareness, ban violence, and enhance family-guidance policies.
- **Jordan** Launches the Family Violence Tracking System and finalizes its National Action Plan 2026–2030.
- **Moldova** Establishes two new Barnahus centers for children victim and witness of crime.
- **Mongolia** Scales child protection nationwide with 754 teams, 38 Justice for Children committees, 773 social workers, and comprehensive new digital safety regulations.
- **Romania** Adopts Law 295/2024 on child participation, placing obligations of response and support services to engage meaningfully with children.
- **Rwanda** Champions parenting support nationwide—training 28,884 caregivers, engaging 689 leaders, digitizing eight guides, and launching national positive parenting initiatives.
- **Saudi Arabia** Advances child protection in cyberspace through national frameworks, awareness campaigns, and a new cybersecurity curriculum.



NOTABLE FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS IN 2025

Austria

commits **€1.65 million** in 2025–2026 to support non-profit parental education providers.

Nigeria

invests in a universal child grant to strengthen households and expand social protection by 2027.

Canada

contributes CAD **6.7 million** to community, global, and UN initiatives ending child marriage.

ADDITIONAL PROGRESS HIGHLIGHTS

- **Thailand, Switzerland, and Czechia** have passed legislation banning corporal punishment, bringing the global total to **70 governments** that prohibit violent punishment in all settings.
- **The Pathfinding Global Alliance on Ending Violence Against Children** grows rapidly, now counting 44 member governments.
- Regional convenings unite **governments and partners across all regions**, advancing coordinated plans to prevent and respond to violence against children worldwide.

LOOKING AHEAD...

With the deadline for delivery of SDG 16.2 ‘ending all forms of violence against children’ rapidly approaching, the coming year will be critical. From local to global, government, funder, child, youth, survivor, faith and academic leaders are encouraged to focus on:

- **Community** – Strengthening coherent and coordinated efforts to end violence against children.
- **Accountability** – Staying cognizant of commitments made and progress underway.
- **Delivery** – Translating pledge announcements into action to demonstrate real change for children.

Together we can maximise impact – and generate momentum – towards a 2nd Global Ministerial Conference in the Philippines in November 2026.

