

## **NIRAMUN'22 United Nations General Assembly Plenary**

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Topic: General Assembly- Reducing inequality within and among countries in food insecurities, water access, and sanitation sectors to combat the growing gap targeted by SDG goals 2, 6, and 10.

### Letter from The Chair

Esteemed delegates,

Thank you for participating in the 10<sup>th</sup> annual NIRAMUN conference. Your goal in the General Assembly should be based on the world's current situations and the way the SDG goals of the UN have been derailed due to recent events in the past few years. The topic has been made broad for a good reason, with the idea being that it allows for all states and regions to be included in discussion and debate. Keep in mind that NIRAMUN is a conference used to train and develop students in the world of MUN.

What to consider and keep in mind:

Considering recent events, from the monsoon floods in Pakistan, the conflict in Ukraine, the Cuban Oil fire crisis, the treatment of Palestinians in Gaza, the state of Yemen and Syria due to competition, and many more global events, we see the focus of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals targeted for the year 2030 have been derailed. To meet this deadline, the UN must make up ground to target areas of the SDG goals to create a lasting and fulfilling solution to the sectors significantly impacted by these recent events.

Delegates should take the initiative to press the importance and correlation of the topic to their member state and region. For some member states the focus will be on development, while for others there may be more pressing issues.

According to the United Nations Department of Operational Support, a supply chain is a “system of organizations, people, activities, information, and resources involved in moving a good or service from the initial supplier to the final customer.” Global Food Supply Chains are integral to progress and development because they help compensate for domestic shortcomings in crop production and allow nations to access larger markets. Because of how interconnected the world’s food sources are, the COVID-19 pandemic was incredibly detrimental, and the situation was made even worse with the escalation of the Russia-Ukraine conflict. The General Assembly Aims to provide a framework for member states on how to respond to the food insecurity they may be experiencing due to these problems.

#### Advice from the chair:

Delegates should be dressed in the appropriate attire. Your clothing should be clean and proper. Representatives should be cognizant that they are being judged on being in character (i.e. following the policies and politics of their respective member states). The topic has remained broad on purpose to allow member states the opportunity to advocate for their needs. It would help if you used your speeches to move the room and set the appropriate tone that supports your country. Your diplomacy, discussion, and debate are vital to your leverage as a delegate. As mentioned, speeches are essential – but only one part of the Model UN process. The construction of working papers and diplomatic maneuvering are also key. Representatives should address the room, not the paper you are reading from. Although this is difficult for many, your journey in the world of MUN will be meaningful if you work hard.