

LDC GRADUATION



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The graduation from the status of Least Developed Country (LDC) is based on three criteria: income per capita, human assets and economic vulnerability. At least two of the three criteria must be met for a country to be eligible for graduation. However, the graduation from LDC may also apply if the Gross National Income (GNI) per capita of a country is above the income-only graduation threshold, which is double of the graduation threshold.

Criteria:



INCOME PER CAPITA

Gross National Income (GNI) per capita (2015 graduation threshold = USD 1,242; 2015 income-only graduation threshold = USD 2,484)



HUMAN ASSETS INDEX (HAI)

composite index of the following indicators

- Under-five mortality rate
- Percentage of population undernourished
- Maternal mortality ratio
- Gross secondary enrollment ratio
- Adult literacy rate



ECONOMIC VULNERABILITY INDEX (EVI)

composite index of the following indicators

- Population
- Remoteness from world markets
- Merchandise export concentration
- Share of agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishing in GDP
- Share of population in low elevated coastal zones
- Instability of exports of goods and services
- Victims of natural disasters
- Instability of agricultural production

Angola complied with the income-only graduation criterion. However, the country did not meet the Human Assets and the Economic Vulnerability criteria.

The graduation of Angola from LDC is expected by



The LDC graduation should be aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The National Development Plan 2018-2022 and the long-term development strategy "Angola Vision 2025/2050" should ensure a comprehensive strategy that includes the milestones of the LDC graduation process, the SDGs, and the African Union's Development Agenda 2063.

