



# **COUNTRY STATEMENT**

**MINISTER FOR MARINE  
AFFAIRS AND FISHERIES OF  
THE REPUBLIC OF  
INDONESIA**

**AT**

**THE THIRD  
UNITED NATIONS OCEAN  
CONFERENCE**

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**Mr. President,  
Excellencies,  
Distinguished Delegates,**

1. On behalf of the Indonesian Government...

➔ I would like to thank France and Costa Rica...for convening this Conference at a critical time.

2. Our ocean... is calling for our collective actions....

3. Warming seas... rising acidification... collapsing fisheries... and marine pollution...

➔ threaten our life.

4. Therefore, as the world's largest archipelagic State...

we reaffirm our **commitment** because...

→ ocean is part of our history...

→ our identity...

→ and our future.

5. Under the leadership of President Prabowo...

→ we manage our ocean through blue economy as an important part of the *Asta Cita* vision...

→ that is our Eight National Aspirations.

**Excellencies,  
Distinguished Delegates,**

6. Allow me to convey *three key messages* from Indonesia.
7. **FIRST**, we reaffirm our commitment...
  - ➔ to the multilateral system...
  - ➔ and to upholding international law.
8. The UNCLOS as the Constitution of the Ocean...
  - ➔ must serve as the guiding principle for all activities in the ocean.
9. We are also committed to the effective implementation

of relevant international agreements...

→ including the Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction Agreement...

→ and to contribute to global efforts to combat IUU fishing, marine pollution, and plastic waste.

10. On this note, I am pleased to announce that...

→ Indonesia has ratified the Agreement on Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction

→ and has formally deposited its Instrument of Ratification today..

11. **SECOND**, Indonesia continues to lead by example...

→ delivering tangible actions.

12. Our Blue Economy Policy is...

→ aligned with the vision to advance the SDGs...

→ as it is based on the principles of **ecological integrity, social equity, and inclusive economic growth**.

13. We are implementing five priority programs of Blue Economy:

→ Expanding marine conservation areas to

cover 30% (*thirty percent*) of our waters by 2045 (*two thousand forty-five*)...

- ➔ Implementing quota-based, responsible fisheries...
- ➔ Promoting sustainable aquaculture...
- ➔ Strengthening ecosystem surveillance on coastal and small islands... and
- ➔ Engaging fishermen... and coastal communities in reducing marine plastic pollution.

14. Currently, Indonesia has protected over 29 (*twenty-*

*nine*) million hectares of marine areas...

15. Since 2020 (*two thousand twenty*)...

→ we have rehabilitated mangroves...

→ and reduced marine plastic debris.

16. With 3.44 (*three point forty-four*) million hectares of mangroves and 1.8 (*one point eight*) million hectares of seagrass...

→ we host as one of the largest blue carbon reserves in the world...

→ storing an estimated 17% (*seventeen percent*) of global blue carbon.



17. These coastal ecosystems serve as critical carbon sinks...

→ and contribute to regulate the global climate...

→ and ocean health.

18. Indonesia has also made significant strides in developing multi-hazard early warning systems....

→ aligned with the UN's Early Warnings for All initiative.

19. Additionally, we are committed to develop more than 20,000 (*twenty thousand*) hectares of new aquaculture...

→ using modern and sustainable technology...

→ to boost productivity and ensure environmental sustainability...

20. Through our *Blue Food* initiative...

→ we aim to increase domestic fish production...

→ to enhance food self-sufficiency...

→ and create quality job opportunities for coastal communities.

21. Global cooperation and partnerships should also cover ...

→ Blue Food, such as seaweed farming.

➔ In this regard, we support the idea to establish global seaweed task force...

➔ that will create coordination between countries, markets, technologies and academics.

22. **THIRD**, Indonesia calls for stronger global cooperation...

➔ on capacity building, open science, marine research, marine spatial planning and technology transfer...

➔ to accelerate progress towards SDG-14 (*fourteen*).

23. We must also **strengthen access** to innovative and

inclusive source of financing...

→ and Indonesia continues to develop innovative financing.

24. Together with the World Bank... we are finalizing the Indonesia Coral Reef Bond.

→ This is an innovative funding instrument as...

→ the world's first non-sovereign bond...

→ and non-debt instrument for coral reef conservation.

25. During our G20 (*Ji-twenty*) Presidency...

→ the Leaders Declaration acknowledged the Global Blended Finance Alliance, which we are implementing

➔ and also, launched the Ocean 20 (*Twenty*) initiative with its Blue Halo S...

26. These efforts aim to close the financing gap for ocean, and coastal resilience...

➔ with support from multiple countries and global institutions.

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**Distinguished Delegates,**

27. As part of our efforts to celebrate 2026 (*two thousand twenty-six*), World Ocean Day...

➔ Indonesia will host **the “Ocean Impact Summit”**.

28. The Summit will bring global leaders, experts, policy makers, private sector, philanthropists...

→ to strengthen partnership and focus on tangible impacts in areas of...

→ Blue Food...

→ Blue Diplomacy...

→ Blue Economy...

→ and Blue Energy.

**Mr. President,**

**Distinguished Delegates,**

29. This Conference must serve as a catalyst for unified science-based, inclusive,

and more importantly...  
concrete ocean actions.

**I thank you.**