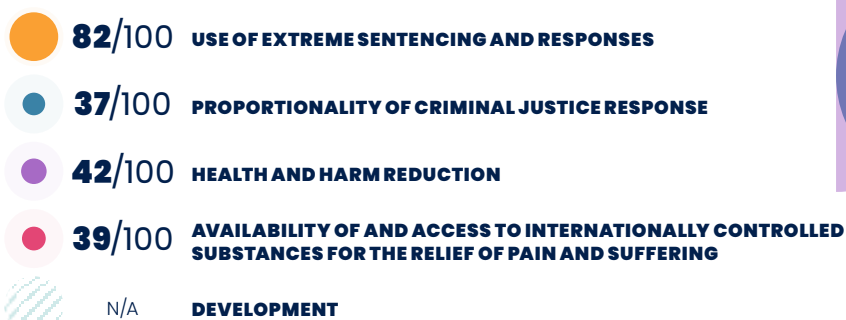
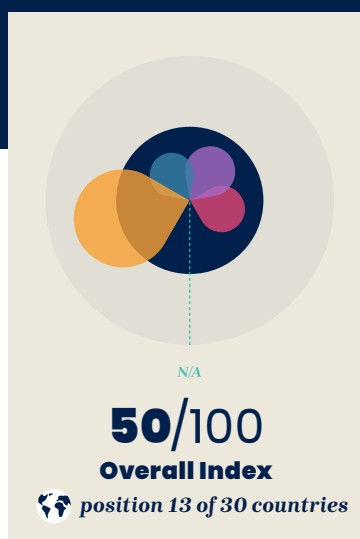


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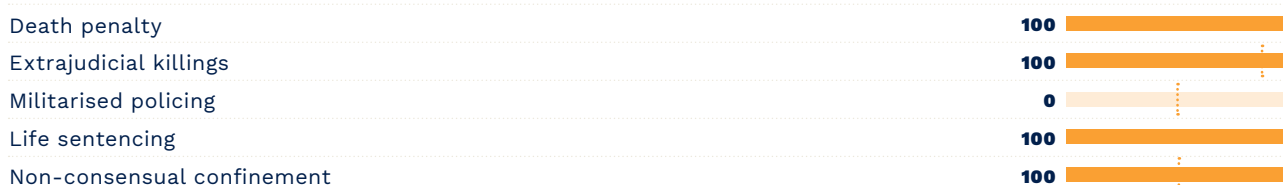


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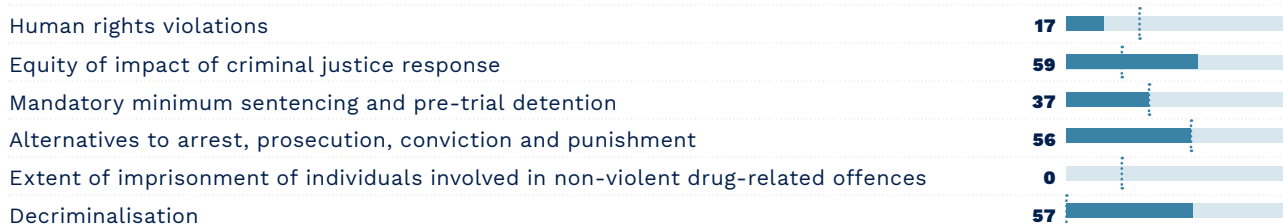


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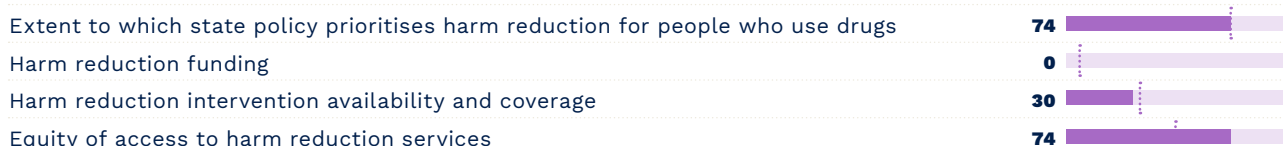
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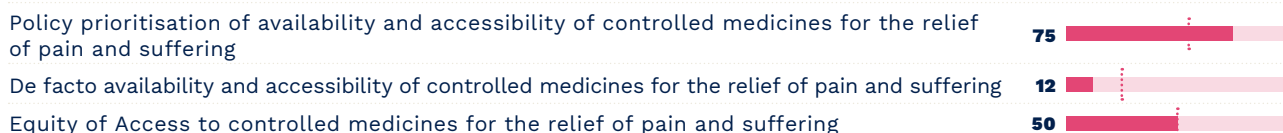
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HEALTH AND HARM REDUCTION



AVAILABILITY OF AND ACCESS TO INTERNATIONALLY CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES FOR PAIN RELIEF



DEVELOPMENT



'After I was released [from the penal colony], I decided that I would stop using heroin and opium. I switched to cannabis to facilitate the transition. One day, I was walking with a friend and my child. The police stopped us and took us to the police station. I spent half a year in pre-trial detention. My friend was sentenced to 4 years in prison'

-Olga now works as an outreach worker and street lawyer, sharing her knowledge of the law with women who use drugs