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GENERAL NOTE

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The number of people living in poverty (less than 2 dollars a day) has fallen from 2.1 billion in 1990 to 1.2 billion in 2010, a 43 per cent reduction. This is a significant achievement, but it is not enough. We need to continue to work hard to reduce the number of people living in poverty to 700 million by 2015.

The number of people living in poverty (less than 2.5 dollars a day) has fallen from 2.5 billion in 1990 to 1.5 billion in 2010, a 40 per cent reduction. This is a significant achievement, but it is not enough. We need to continue to work hard to reduce the number of people living in poverty to 1 billion by 2015.

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