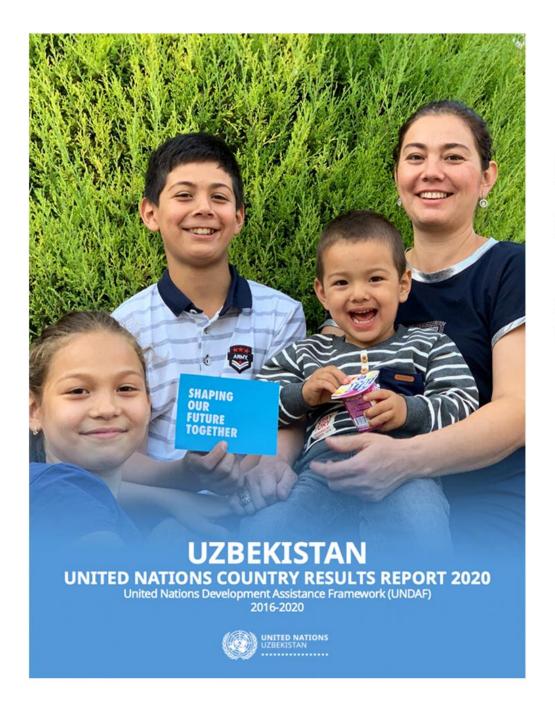




Joint UN-Government Steering Committee and Partners' Meeting

DATE: 13 July, 2021



Uzbekistan United Nations Country Results Report 2020

Review of the progress of the United Nations Development Assistance Framework 2016-2020 implementation for the year of 2020.















Key developments and trends in 2020

- Socio-economic and health impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, especially for the most vulnerable populations;
- National Anti-Crisis Programme adopted and the Anti-Crisis Fund established;
- Key strategies under development, including: a Poverty Reduction Strategy, Social Protection strategy, and Gender Strategy;
- National Strategy on Human Rights adopted and a Law on Protecting the Rights of People with Disabilities enacted;
- Programme of measures on state Youth Policy adopted and a Youth Parliament established;
- Uzbekistan presented its first Voluntary National Review of the SDGs: more than 1,500 people from civil society, youth, women, PWD, academia and others were consulted;
- A bicameral Parliamentary commission on SDG was established



Focus on COVID-19 response and recovery

Guided by the UN Secretary-General's "Shared Responsibility, Global Solidarity" report, and the associated "UN framework for the immediate socio-economic response to COVID-19".

March

Strategic Preparedness and Response Plan, built around a ten-pillar health response and led by the Ministry of Health and WHO

May

Consolidated Multilateral COVID-19
Socio- Economic Response and
Recovery Offer package launched by 16
UN agencies and 6 IFIs and mobilized
USD 3.4 billion to cover most pressing
needs



Macroeconomic Response & Recovery

in partnership with the WB, IFC, IMF, ADB, IsDB

More than **USD 1.5** billion (3 per cent of GDP) (mostly IFI loans) was injected into the state budget and the Anti-Crisis Fund to help ensure the functioning of the infrastructure, energy, transport and food sectors, prevent major economic disruption and maintain adequate spending in critical social sectors (health, education, and social protection)

Up to **USD 3.373 billion** was mobilised to cover the most pressing needs resulting from the pandemic





16,914 health workers were supplied with personal protective equipment; more than 1,300 frontline health workers trained on infection prevention and control

5,390 people, including 3,564 children, supplied with critical WASH material and services

Nationwide risk communication and community engagement campaign reached out 6 million school children, 1.4 million pre-school children and 2 million parents, more than 4,800 people

reached through #WearAMask social media campaign

A cold chain system was built nationwide to ensure vaccination of more than 750,000 children; more than 30,000 health workers and 1.6 million pregnant women and parents covered by immunization and vaccination counselling

15,658 newborns and their mothers benefited from maternal, neonatal and child health improvement plans

31,088 people living with HIV accessed ARV treatment

More than **24,000** children were covered by peer education activities on healthy lifestyles

National Adolescent Health and Wellbeing strategy to benefit 5.5 million adolescents

Adoption of a national nutrition strategy and action plan for 2020-2025 to benefit **7 million children** under 10 years old and **5.7 million of women** 15-34 years

2020 Key results: mitigating negative impact of COVID-19 on people's livelihoods



Skills development and job creation programmes benefited 10,235 people, including women and youth:

- More than 700 vulnerable women received support with employability and job creation
- 1,000 young people supported through start-up acceleration programme
- Business clinics supported 2,570 small businesses and seed funding provided for 34 SME
- 318 start-up projects and business acceleration initiatives supported

Digital solutions for employment: 9,400 users of job search platform

10,253 rural people enhanced resilience and benefited from improved access to clean drinking water, electricity and healthcare services in the Aral Sea Region



2020 Key results: **Social Protection** to accelerate the SDG achievement and comprehensive support for child and women in need for protection



1.2 million vulnerable people benefited from a new electronic Single Registry for applying for social benefits

An additional 500,000 families were covered by social assistance benefits

The living standards of **2,500**Persons with Disabilities, including 700 females, were enhanced

14,702 vulnerable people benefited from psycho-social, legal and direct support services, including 5,623 women received support via the re-launched national GBV hotline

356 children from closed correctional institutions and 73 women and 245 children repatriated from armed conflict zones were reintegrated into their families and communities

5,640 returning migrants, including 2,831 women received integration support

6,036 children and adolescents, living with HIV benefited from continuous psycho-social services

129,309 children, parents and caregivers reached with community-based psychosocial support during the COVID-19 pandemic



2020 Key results: continuous quality **Education and Lifelong learning**opportunity



Education continuity was ensured through distant learning for 5.85 million students in secondary schools, 728,000 students in secondary specialized and professional institutions, 360,000 students in higher education institutions

800,000 pre-school children benefited from remote learning programmes

Innovative service delivery models in distance learning, blended learning, and "catch up" programmes during COVID-19 pandemic and "build back better" efforts for safe return of preschools

500,000 specialists and parents received recommendations on maintaining child mental well-being, and 300 000 people- on childcaring and parenting during COVID-19

38,400 teachers skilled up for enhanced implementation of Early Learning Development Standards; 680 education specialists and experts trained to promote a competency-based approach; and 1,000 policy makers trained on anti-corruption measures in education

Safe learning environment and Education4Justice Initiatives:

- 20,000 young people engaged in Line up Live up sport-based life skills
- 2 million children aged 6-12 nationwide learnt about justice, cybercrime, human rights, gender and integrity through Zorbs multimedia app
- 440 secondary schools benefited from youth skills programme



2020 Key results: Sustainable use of **natural resources** and resilience to disasters and **climate change**



Climate change

About **12,000** people benefited from using agriculture conservation and water saving technologies and an early warning system in Aral Sea region and drought prone regions

Water governance capacity building led to **30 per cent** reduction of water losses and water use from 12,000 to 10,000 m³/ha in pilot Water User Associations

Sustainable Forest Management introduced in four pilot sites of **6,062** hectares to bring sequestration of 303,100 tons of CO2 annually

New Building Code adopted to bring **30** per cent reduction in energy consumption through the use of solar energy

Green mortgage scheme provided **528 low-carbon** mortgages which have reached 1,329 rural houses







Digitalization agenda:

- Digital Uzbekistan 2030 Strategy, the Digital Tashkent Concept Note, Open Data Development Concept for 2021-2025
- Digitalization of the Civil Services Registry and database on vulnerable families in makhallas
- Monitoring of public service deliver in real time

Integration of anticorruption compliance management in 26 public agencies; digital solutions anticorruption introduced; and 1,663 public service employees trained on effective service delivery and anticorruption measures

Suppression of **223 drug-related crimes** and over 328 kg of narcotic drugs seized due to Interagency Mobile Teams set up in all regions

Data generation: Preparation for Census and MICS evolving

2020 Key results: Rule of Law, Access to Justice and Human Rights



Rule of Law, Access to Justice and Human Rights

Focus on compliance of the national COVID-19 response with international human rights standards

Alignment of the National Human Rights Strategy with international norms

courts

E-Justice system (e-sud) implemented in all 75 civil

Access to legal aid for young people through three legal clinics established in Fergana valley

Restorative justice programme piloted in Tashkent city

More than 750 community specialists, inspectors of minors, and youth leaders capacitated to reintegrate 500 children from correctional facilities into communities



2020: Partnership & Financing the 2030 Agenda













































































Partnership & Financing the 2030 Agenda

- Leveraged partnerships with IFIs to deliver a USD 3.4 billion Socio-economic Response and Recover Offer
- Multi-Partner Human Security Trust Fund for the Aral Sea Region (MPHSTF)
 mobilised three new donors, which contributed USD 9.1 million and funded three new
 JPs in amount of USD 6.0 million for Youth, Innovations and Health Security
- New UN Joint Programmes launched to establish an Integrated National Financing Framework (INFF) and provide holistic pandemic response to vulnerable people
- 7 new joint UN programmes in 2020 (totaling to 10)
- Introduced innovative sustainable financing tools: «green sukuk» (green Islamic bonds), crowdfunding, etc
- Development Finance Assessment to review SDG financing architecture and propose a way forward towards accelerating SDG financing
- Launched a private sector engagement platform guided by the UN Global Compact



2020 Key results: Communicating as ONE



Top priorities voiced by people of Uzbekistan during the UN75 dialogues:

- Addressing climate consequences;
- Ensuring protection of human rights and rule of law;
- More employment opportunities;
- Better access to healthcare;
- Combatting corruption

Top five priorities the international community should highlight to recover better from pandemic:



Prioritize universal access to healthcare



Strengthen solidarity between people and nations



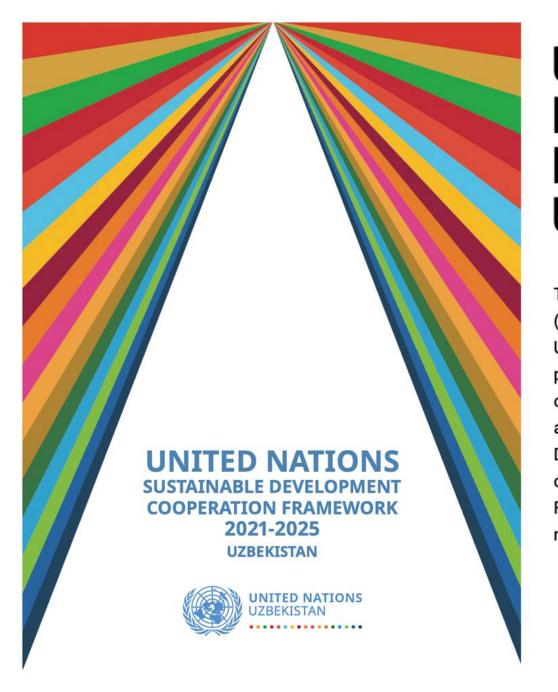
Invest more in education and youth programmes



Increase support to the hardest hit countries and communities



Achieve universal and affordable access to digital technologies



United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework 2021-2025 for Uzbekistan

The United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (Cooperation Framework) will guide the work of the UN system in Uzbekistan until 2025. This framework builds on the successes of our past cooperation and represents a joint commitment by the Government of Uzbekistan and the UN system to work in close partnership for the achievement of the national priorities framed by the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and international human and labour rights commitments. The collective results expected from this Cooperation Framework will help the people of Uzbekistan to live longer, healthier, and more prosperous and secure lives.

















We know that achieving the 2030 Agenda for everyone, everywhere is humanity's best chance of ensuring the progressive realization of human rights and a future of peace and prosperity for all. The new UN Cooperation Frameworks offer a tremendous opportunity to scale up implementation of the 2030 Agenda and demonstrate concrete results on the ground.

Together, as a UN family, let us harness the full capabilities and assets of the UN development system to make it happen.

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AMINA J. MOHAMMED

United Nations Deputy Secretary-General
Chair of the United Nations Sustainable Development Group





Cooperation Framework Key Objectives

Clear articulation of the **UN's collective response** to help countries address national priorities and gaps in their pathway towards meeting the SDGs.

Embody the **spirit of partnerships** that are at the core of the 2030 Agenda.

That means partnerships with host governments - but also partnerships with all stakeholders – civil society, academia, parliaments, the private sector, bilateral partners - to leverage strengths and drive transformative change.

Turn our collective promise to **leave no one behind** into tangible action for people on the ground, especially those furthest behind.

Provide UN country teams with the tools to tailor responses to a Member State's **specific needs and realities**, ensuring that all entities, whether present on the ground or not, can effectively support national implementation of the 2030 Agenda.



Multi-Stakeholder Consultations to validate priorities



How?

1,400 people consulted in 32 workshops



Where?

92% in regions

8% in Tashkent



Who?

566 youth,

496 local government officials,

179 civil society/

human rights defenders,

86 people with disabilities,

55 bloggers/media,

48 ministry/state agency officials,

19 deputies/senators

10 academics

40% youth

40% women



Three Development Partners Consultations

6 IFIs

30 Embassies, Bilaterals

& INGOs

2 Intergovernmental

Organizations:

EU & OSCE



Two Surveys

28 Development Partner Representatives on UN comparative advantage

5524 Young People on SDG Priorities



UN Strategic Vision 2030 in Uzbekistan

By 2030, significant progress towards a **more just, equal and resilient society** is made and the national SDGs are achieved, **because** efficient and accountable gender-responsive governance and justice systems will have created conditions for progressive economic growth, social inclusion and political stability which reduce inequalities and discrimination and guarantee rights for all, especially those left behind, reinforce social cohesion and induce green, sustainable growth, underpinned by evidence-based policies, effective financing and regional partnerships.

































UN Strategic Priorities and Outcomes for 2021-2025



Effective governance and justice for all that fulfill their obligations as duty bearers of human rights

If all people and groups, especially the most vulnerable, demand and benefit from enhanced accountable, transparent, inclusive governance systems and rule of law institutions

If the population of Uzbekistan benefits from more harmonized and integrated implementation of the reform agenda due to strengthened policy coherence, evidence-based and inclusive decision-making and financing for development in line with the national SDGs

PEACE

2

Inclusive human capital development leading to well-being and resilient prosperity

If youth, women and vulnerable groups benefit from improved access to livelihoods, decent work and enabling opportunities generated by sustainable, inclusive and equitable economic growth

If the most vulnerable benefit from enhanced access to gender-sensitive quality health, education and social services

PEOPLE & PROSPERITY

3

Sustainable, climate-responsible and resilient development

If most at risk regions, and communities of Uzbekistan, especially the most vulnerable people, are more resilient to climate change and disasters, and benefit from increasingly sustainable and efficient management of natural resources and infrastructure, enhanced climate action, inclusive environmental governance and protection

PLANET



Key principles and cross-cutting issues

Key principles

- Leaving no one behind
- Human rights-based approach
- Gender equality and women's empowerment
- Accountability, sustainability and resilience

Cross-cutting issues

- Gender Mainstreaming
- Youth Inclusion
- 3 Disability Inclusion
- Data and Innovation



New Generation of UN Country Team in Uzbekistan



























Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Tashkent Office

























Joint Work Plans 2021-22



Why Joint Workplans (JWP)?

- JWPs operationalize the Cooperation Framework at output level
- Present all related UN development contributions to the Cooperation Framework delivered jointly or by individual entities; and resources available and required
- Aim to maximize synergies and avoid duplication within the UN
- Structured around five outcomes within three thematic priorities
- Endorsed by the Joint Steering Committee and reviewed and adjusted annually through the Annual Performance Review



Peace. Outcome 1: Accountable, transparent, inclusive and gender responsive governance systems and rule of law institutions

























Strengthened institutional capacity to support public administration reform

Equipping with anti-corruption solutions, policies and tools

Enhancing access to streamlined public services for vulnerable population

Strengthened national capacity to implement improved legislation, policy and practice in line with international norms

Strengthening competence of judiciary system for better access of vulnerable groups to Justice

Engagement with constitutional and legislative bodies on implementation of international obligations

Supporting law-enforcement for drug control and prevention of illegal trafficking and extremism

Empowered civil society, media and public oversight institutions with knowledge and skills to promote human rights and prevent gender-based violations

Media engagement and development for human rights promotion

Capacitating CSOs for human rights protection and GBV prevention

Empowered population groups at risk of being left behind (youth and women) to effectively participate in decision making processes

> Youth engagement and empowerment

Empowerment of organizations of people with disabilities

Promoting women participation and empowerment

TOTAL: 73 sub-outputs



Peace. Outcome 1. Key targets by 2022

Strengthening institutional capacities to support public administration reform

- OECD anticorruption network's recommendations are implemented (at least 50%)
- · Mechanism for Government-Civil Society collaboration on corruption prevention is established
- 11.0 million people receive public services through my.gov.uz and 28.0 million through Public Service Centres
- Uzbekistan's value in the UN E-Government Development Index reaches 0.7

Strengthening national capacity to implement improved legislation, policy and practice in line with international norms

- Majority of parliamentarians have enhanced capacity in law-making, oversight and policy analysis on the issues of SDG integration, child rights, gender equality and ILO conventions
- Two ILO Conventions ratified, Programme on implementation of National Gender Equality Strategy launched and National Action Plan on CRC CO' follow-up recommendations developed
- Increased share of applicants using e-justice services (from 20% to 24%)
- · 70% boys and girls released from closed institutions receive rehabilitation and reintegration support
- Increased % of justice professionals certified in dealing with child offenders and child victims (from 0% to 20%)
- More than 500 law enforcement officers capacitated to effectively counter organized crime, illicit trafficking, terrorism and extremism

Empowering civil society, media and public oversight institutions with knowledge and skills to promote human rights and prevent gender-based violations

- · 28 UN media partners promote access to justice, protection of human rights and GBV prevention
- · At least 18 NGOs capacitated to prevent and remedy human rights abuses in 2021

Empowering population groups at risk of being left behind (youth and women) to effectively participate in decision making processes

- About 40 000 young people covered by awareness raising and capacity building in 2021-2022
- · At least 10 OPDs empowered to promote CRPD
- More than 2000 women capacitated and empowered through UN-led initiatives for effective participation in decision-making



Peace. Outcome 2: Strengthened policy coherence, evidence-based and inclusive decision-making and financing for development mainstreamed in line with national SDGs













Developed and promoted effective SDG financing framework

Establishing Integrated National Financing Framework

Impact Assessment framework for SDG bonds; innovative financing through green sukuk Enhanced national capacities to generate robust evidence for SDG progress measurement

Support in Population and Housing census, data visualization on maps, consolidation of demographic information

Child sensitive data collection, analyses

Crime victimization survey

Strengthened national capacity to measure monetary and multidimensional poverty, and formulate evidence-based and gender-sensitive poverty reduction strategies

Development of Poverty reduction strategy

Development of monetary and multidimensional poverty measurement

Development of monetary and multidimensional child poverty monitoring

TOTAL: 20 sub-outputs

Peace. Outcome 2. Key targets by 2022

Developed and promoted effective SDG financing framework

- · Financing framework for health and social protection is built
- 7 SDGs have completed costing and integrated in national development strategies
- · 5 innovative financing solutions and practices introduced
- 5 Key line ministers and more than 150 policymakers capacitated in SDG-aligned finance budgeting and management

Enhanced national capacities to generate robust evidence for SDG progress measurement

- · 22 child-related SDG indicators have disaggregated data
- · 3 line ministries adopted evidence-based programmes/budgeting
- · 23 national SDG indicators have metadata and 8 SDG indicators have data generated

Strengthened national capacity to measure monetary and multidimensional poverty, and formulate evidence-based poverty reduction strategy

- Poverty reduction strategy developed and adopted in line with national SDGs
- · Monetary and multidimensional poverty measurement including child measurement are developed



People and Prosperity. Outcome 3: Improved access to livelihoods, decent work and expanded opportunities for youth, women and vulnerable groups



























Strengthened national institutions and social partners to design and implement effective and innovative Active Labour Market Policies, decent work and skills development programmes

Supporting Job Creation and Employment Policies and practices, focused on youth and women

Promoting and implementing skills development programmes

Enhancing Policy framework and Institutional capacity building Empowered local communities to implement and sustain innovative business practices and development initiatives for youth, women and vulnerable groups

Community empowerment initiatives at local level

Institutional capacity building for community empowerment

Enabling conditions are promoted for equal and inclusive access to sustainable livelihoods and basic resources, decent work conditions

Building capacities on innovative agribusiness practices and better access to markets, land, agricultural inputs, technologies and investment

Promoting decent work and collective bargaining

Trade facilitation, supporting WTO accession

TOTAL: 75 sub-outputs



People and Prosperity. Outcome 3. Key targets by 2022

Strengthened national institutions and social partners on Active Labour Market Policies, decent work and skills development programmes

- · National employment strategy, incorporating youth employment adopted
- · 5000 decent jobs for youth and women created
- · 13 000 young people benefitted from skills development programmes
- 14 institutions capacitated to design and implement innovative policies on active labour market, skills development, inclusive economic growth

Empowered local communities to implement and sustain innovative business practices and development initiatives

- · 2 640 MSMEs and 800 private sector companies supported
- 170 local communities have improved capacities, knowledge and skills on alternative income-generation opportunities
- Gender-responsive policy, regulatory and institutional measures adopted to improve enabling environment for MSMEs

Promoted enabling conditions for equal and inclusive access to sustainable livelihoods and basic resources, decent work conditions

- 500 smallholder farmers improved capacities on innovative agribusiness practices and access to markets, technologies and investment
- 10 education facilities supported to ensure enhanced accessibility for vulnerable groups to quality agriculture and irrigation vocational training
- 150 civil servants with improved capacity to promote WTO accession, including trade policy formulation and implementation



People and Prosperity. Outcome 4: Enhanced access to gender-sensitive quality health, education and social services for most vulnerable

























Strengthened capacities of health system to implement Universal Health Coverage-focused policies and programmes, comprehensive responses to health emergencies and to promote a healthy lifestyle and health literacy

> Addressing Communicable and Non-communicable disease, Immunization, and Nutrition

Strengthening Emergency Preparedness and Response/SPRP, Health System Strengthening

Promoting Reproductive and Maternal and Child Health, Health Life Style

Increased capacity of educational stakeholders to provide access to equitable, inclusive and quality education at all levels and promote lifelong learning

Enhancing EMIS, Quality Assurance systems Competency-based Curricula

Promoting Inclusive Education, GenU Strengthened social protection system to deliver progressively universal social security and social protection benefits, community-based family services, and inclusive multi-sector response to vulnerabilities and gender-based violence

Institutional capacity development for enhanced Social protection

Promoting De-I and Strengthening Child protection

Fostering GBV response
Disability Inclusion and Support in
CRPD implementation

TOTAL: 94 sub-outputs



People and Prosperity. Outcome 4. Key targets by 2022

Strengthened capacities of health system

- 11 000 health sector workers have up-to-date knowledge and skills for UHC and healthy lifestyles and Preparedness and response to health emergencies, including COVID-19
- 8500 people annually equipped with knowledge and skills for health promotion and disease prevention
- 41 500 people with access to medical products and/or services through UN support (incl. antiretroviral treatment for PLHIV, TB treatment, etc.)
- 66 educational establishments implementing healthy nutrition practices
- National Health Management Information System is fully operational

Increased capacity of educational stakeholders to provide access to equitable, inclusive and quality education

- · Competency-based curricula is developed for primary or secondary education.
- System-wide institutional capacity is built to ensure the education quality and learning assessment practices
- EMIS is functional to collect data

Strengthened social protection system

- · National Social Protection Strategy adopted with costed three-year action plan
- · National Action Plan and SOPs for multi-sectoral prevention and response to GBV for 4 sectors adopted
- 100 000 people receive low-income family benefits, 200 000 people maternity benefit, 750,000 people disability support, 55 000 get unemployment support, and 1,2 million people benefit from child allowance thanks to social protection programmes
- · 20% of girls and boys, victims of violence, received health, social or legal support
- 16 400 people from vulnerable groups receive psychosocial support services



Planet. Outcome 5: Sustainable and gender-sensitive efficient management of natural resources and infrastructure, robust climate action, inclusive environmental governance and protection

























Designed and implemented innovative and sustainable climate change adaptation and mitigation initiatives

Promoting climate change adaptation and mitigation policy making

Supporting climate change adaptation and mitigation data and analysis

Implementing climate change adaptation and mitigation solutions at risk regions

Enhanced national and local capacities to implement green sustainable policies

Facilitating accession and capacity building to implement International agreements on environment

Preserving biodiversity and Terrestrial ecosystem

Supporting conservation and efficient use of water ecosystems

Enhancing environmentally sound management of chemicals Strengthened capacity and regulatory framework on Disaster Risk Reduction and natural/cultural heritage preservation

Generating Data and Knowledge for Policy Making on DRR

Implementing Community resilience building initiatives

Institutional capacity building on DRR and cultural heritage

TOTAL: 64 sub-outputs

Planet. Outcome 5. Key targets by 2022

Innovative and sustainable climate change adaptation and mitigation initiatives

- · Sector-driven National Adaptation Plan, sectorial and regional adaptation plans is developed
- 8 632 people benefitted from climate adaptation and mitigations initiatives in agriculture, health, water, housing, transport, etc.
- 13 124 householders/smallholders/MSMEs (agri-food producers) adopted new inputs, technologies and practices, including on sustainable dairy production, access to markets, security of land

Enhanced national and local capacities to implement green sustainable policies

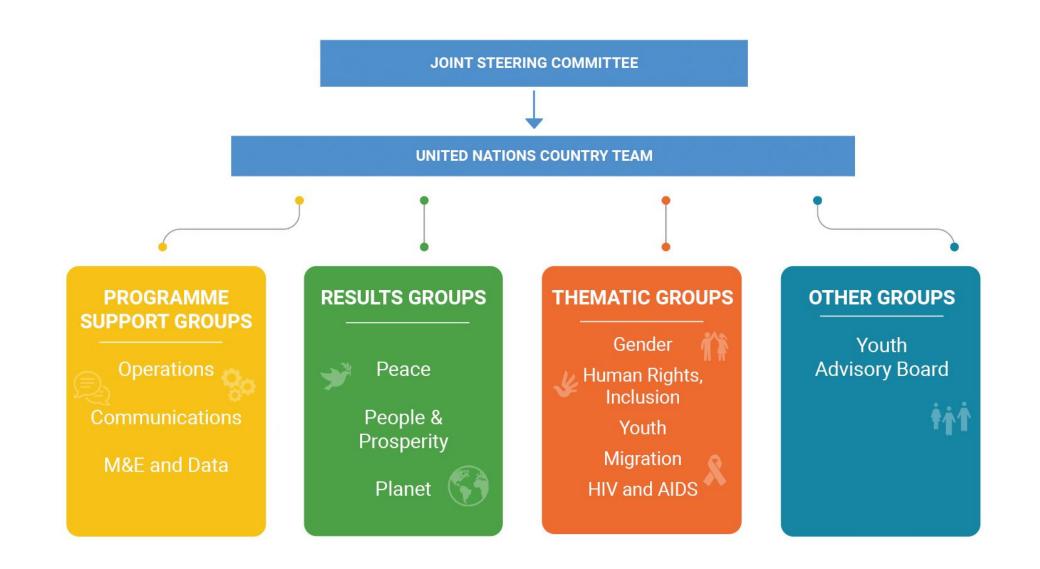
- Montreal Protocol on HCFCs/Kigali amendment on HFCs ratified
- · 5 innovative and scalable solutions are introduced to promote biodiversity
- 5 protected areas is under improved management for conservation and sustainable use
- · New National CBRN (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear) Action Plan adopted by Government

Strengthened capacity and regulatory framework on Disaster Risk Reduction and natural/cultural heritage preservation

- · Disaster loss data accounting system is established
- 12 communities; and 31,500 population benefit from DRR initiatives
- 2,265,617 people with increased access to information on Multi-hazard Early Warning System and risks and solutions associated with Uranium Legacy



Governance Structure





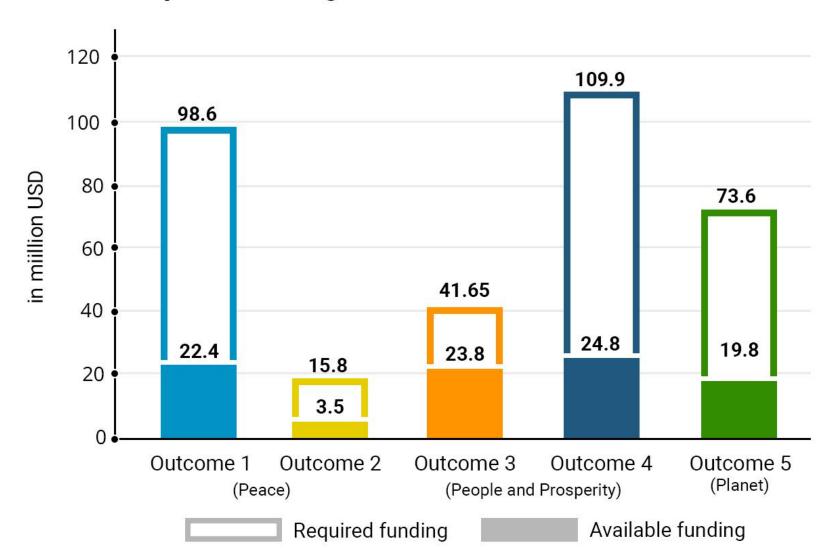
Joint Steering Committee

- Includes Key National Counterparts and UN Country Team.
- Provides strategic oversight and direction to the Cooperation Framework process and ensures its alignment to evolving country contexts and priorities.
- Approves Results Report, assess implementation of the JWPs and makes formal decision on amendments and/or revision.
- **Results Groups** are established for three strategic priority: "Peace", "People and Prosperity" and "Planet" to improve coordination and ensure a coherent UN system-wide approach to analysis, planning, implementation and monitoring of the UNSDCF.
- Develop UN joint work plans, identify opportunities for closer inter-agency collaboration collectively monitor and report on progress towards joint outputs.
- Thematic Groups ensure mainstreaming of the Key Guiding Principles and cross-cutting priorities across the joint work in implementing the UNSDCF and integrating them into all stages of the implementation.
- Youth Advisory Board is established to advise on integration of youth voices and issues in the UN's strategies and programmes in Uzbekistan and provides input and feedback from young people on UN work.



Multi-Year Funding Framework 2021-2025

Total required funding ~340 million USD*



Funding gap ~245.3 million USD*

*excluding IFAD