Costed evaluation plan - Uzbekistan - UNICEF country programme of cooperation, 2021-2025

The table draws from the Integrated Monitoring and Evaluation Plan to cover present evaluations planned for the duration of the programme cycle. Additional guidance on financial resources for evaluation is outlined in the revised Evaluation Policy (E/ICEF/2018/14).

Evaluation title	United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (or equivalent) outcome	UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2018–2021 Goal Area	Criteria used for selection	Intended use of evaluation findings	Expected start date (month and year, or year only)	Anticipated cost and provisional source of funding (regular resources (RR) or other resources (OR)), in United States dollars
Evaluation of the child protection programme	Outcome 1: By 2025, all people and groups in Uzbekistan, especially the most vulnerable, demand and benefit from enhanced accountable, transparent, inclusive and gender responsive governance systems and rule of law institutions for a life free from discrimination and violence.	Goal Area 3: Every child is protected from violence and exploitation	Country office- level thematic evaluations, including cross- cutting themes	Inform decision-making on policies, assess effectiveness of development and organizational components of the programme and enhance the programme design	June 2022	80 000 (RR)
	Outcome 4: By 2025, the most vulnerable benefit from enhanced access to gender-sensitive quality health, education and social services.					
Evaluation of the UN Joint Programme on Strengthening Social Protection in Uzbekistan	Outcome 4: By 2025, the most vulnerable benefit from enhanced access to gender-sensitive quality health, education and social services.	Goal Area 5: Every child has an equitable chance in life	Country office- level thematic evaluations, including cross- cutting themes	Inform decision-making on policies, assess effectiveness of development and organizational components of the programme and enhance the programme design	January 2022	93 555 (OR)
Evaluation of the alternative and innovative early childhood education (ECE) models	Outcome 4: By 2025, the most vulnerable benefit from enhanced access to gendersensitive quality health, education and social services.	Goal Area 2: Every child learns	Country office- level thematic evaluations: project evaluation	Assess effectiveness of the ECE models, document lessons learned and inform decision-making on scalability of projects.	2023	70 000 (RR)
Total						150 000 (RR) 93 555 (OR) 243 555

Short narrative about each item in the costed evaluation plan

- 1. **Evaluation of the child protection programme:** Over the programme cycle (2015–2020), the child protection programme worked on strengthening the child protection system. Areas for improvement included: strengthening the social service workforce, establishing a single social protection agency and enhancing childcare reform and justice for children in legislation and in the Government's policy development agenda. Findings and recommendations of this evaluation will inform evidence-based planning and strengthened implementation of the child protection programme.
- 2. Evaluation of the UN Joint Programme on Strengthening Social Protection in Uzbekistan: The main objective of the UN Joint Programme on Strengthening Social Protection in Uzbekistan is to support the Government in building and delivering a high-quality social protection system that offers all citizens of Uzbekistan in particular, those at risk of being left behind income security and social support throughout their lives. UNICEF will implement this programme as a co-leading agency with the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). The results of the Joint Programme will determine strategic directions for reforming the social protection system in Uzbekistan and will contribute to the social policy programme outcome for the 2021–2025 cycle. At the project's completion, UNICEF, ILO and UNDP are committed to undertaking a final, independent and gender-responsive joint evaluation under the leadership of the Government. The evaluation results will be disseminated to the Government, development partners, civil society and other stakeholders.
- 3. Evaluation of the alternative and innovative early childhood education (ECE) models: The effects of alternative and innovative ECE programmes on enhancing access to and quality of preschool education in Uzbekistan will be examined in year three of the country programme so that results can assist the Ministry of Preschool Education to further scale up preschool access and quality.