

2023 Government Survey on UN operational activities for development

Welcome to this survey on UN development cooperation, requested by the UN General Assembly.

The aim of the survey is to give all countries an opportunity to provide feedback on the performance of the UN development system in support of their effort to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The survey addresses the follow-up to the provisions of the General Assembly resolutions on UN development system operational activities, notably the GA resolution on the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review (QCPR) and the GA resolution on the repositioning of the UN development system. The survey results will serve as an important input to the work of the UN Economic and Social Council which oversees the UN system implementation of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review and the continued effectiveness, efficiency and relevance of UN operational activities for development.

The survey is composed of two parts:

- The first part is directed at programme country Governments, which have a UN resident coordinator office in their country, or are served by one through a multi-country office arrangement;
- The second part is directed at Governments that provide voluntary financial resources to the UN development system.

Governments that are both programme country Governments and contribute financially to the operational activities for development of the UN are kindly asked to fill out both parts of the survey.

The survey is to be completed by senior government officials responsible for - or closely associated with - UN operational activities for development. We encourage you to consult with relevant colleagues across government who engage with UN entities. A Word copy of the online survey is attached to the email with the survey link and can be shared to support these consultations. Please note, however, that the Word version of the survey is for reference only.

The link to the survey is also included here for ease of access:

www.surveymonkey.com/r/qcpr2023gov

Please be sure to submit your country's official response online. The survey software may allow the questionnaire to be saved and reopened at a later stage, using the same device and web browser. Only one questionnaire may be completed per programme country.

If you have any questions about the survey, please contact the QCPR team at qcpr@un.org. If you are a programme country Government, you may also seek support from the Resident Coordinator Office. Thank you for your cooperation.

Country profile

1. * Please select your location [drop down menu]:
2. * Are you a programme country Government (is there a UN Resident Coordinator Office in your country, or is your country served by one through a multi-country office arrangement)?
 - Yes
 - No

[Skip logic: if **YES**, proceed to Part I; if **NO**, jump to Part II]

Part I: Questions for programme country Governments

This survey is administered by the UN Secretariat, through the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), which uses the data to report to the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, on the implementation of the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review of UN system operational activities for development (QCPR). The analysis of the data provides the evidence-base for decisions by Member States and helps to inform continued improvements in the work of the United Nations development system, including at the country level.

Responses and comments to Part 1 of this survey (directed at programme country Governments) are treated in strict confidence and remain anonymous. The reporting does not contain any data or statement from which a reader can identify the source. Responses are typically amalgamated by groups of countries (click [here](#) to see figure 1 of the 2023 Secretary-General's report on the implementation of the QCPR for an example of past reporting). As per this use of data confidentiality clause, the UN Secretariat shares, upon request, only aggregate data with UN Funds, Programmes and other subsidiary organs and other UN system entities. DESA will only share the survey responses with the UN Development Coordination Office (DCO), with a view towards making tailor-made improvements to the support provided by the UN country teams and Resident Coordinators. However, DCO will keep survey responses strictly confidential and will not share them with the Resident Coordinators' Offices.

Some of the questions are phrased as statements; in these cases, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each statement.

3. *Please specify the government institution or Ministry of the primary respondent:
 - Foreign Affairs
 - Economic Affairs
 - Finance
 - Trade
 - Development planning
 - Other, please specify:

A. Support of the UN development system to national needs and priorities

The UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework is the most important instrument for the planning and implementation of United Nations development activities in each country, in support of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in line with national needs and priorities, to be prepared and finalized in full consultation and agreement with national Governments. The Cooperation Framework is replacing the United Nations Development Assistance Frameworks (UNDAF). [Cooperation Frameworks and UNDAFs in each country are available here.](#)

4. Overall, the activities of the UN, as articulated in the Cooperation Framework/UNDAF, and your country's development needs and priorities are:

For countries and territories covered by a UN multi-country office, please respond in relation to the Cooperation Framework and any individual country plans that may be in place.

- Very closely aligned
- Closely aligned
- Slightly aligned
- Not aligned at all
- Don't know

[Skip logic – if answered 'very closely aligned' to previous question] Please explain briefly the key contributing factors that ensured very close alignment between the activities of the UN and your country's development needs and priorities:

[Skip logic – if answered 'closely aligned', 'slightly aligned' or 'not aligned at all' to previous question] Please mention briefly any measures the UN should take in order to achieve closer alignment between its activities and your country's development needs and priorities:

5. The Cooperation Framework/UNDAF has enabled the Government to ensure that the UN activities are effectively addressing/responding to national priorities, including on the delivery of the Sustainable Development Goals:

For countries and territories covered by a UN multi-country office, please respond in relation to the Cooperation Framework and any individual country plans that may be in place.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

6. Many UN agencies receive contributions from donors for specific programmes or projects in addition to their non-earmarked (core) funds. Please indicate how aligned each type of contribution is with your country's development needs and priorities:

	Very closely aligned	Closely aligned	Slightly aligned	Not aligned at all	Don't know
Non-earmarked/ core funds					
Earmarked/ non-core funds					

Optional comments: Regarding non-core funding, please use the comment box below to mention briefly the key factors that facilitated very close alignment or obstacles to achieving closer alignment, as applicable.

7. All things considered, please indicate whether/how the relevance of the UN to your country's development needs has changed since the reform of the UN development system in 2018:
- Much more relevant
 - More relevant
 - No change
 - Less relevant
 - Much less relevant
 - Don't know

Optional comments: Please provide comments on any measure that would make the UN more relevant in your country.

8. To what extent does your country agree or disagree that the UN adequately provides:
(*Note: Answers to this question are also used to report on the Funding Compact between Member States and the UN system.*)

"Integrated policy advice" in this context refers to policy advice that is offered by the UN country team acting in a collective way, rather than through each agency acting individually.)

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	Not applicable
Evidence-based policy advice that is tailored to national needs and priorities						
Joint integrated policy advice that is tailored to national needs and priorities						
Technical support in line with national needs and priorities						
Support to securing financing for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)						
Support in developing integrated national financing frameworks						
Support to leverage partnerships in support of national development priorities						
Support for building statistical capacities and in data collection, analysis and management						

Optional comments:

B. Alignment with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

In 2015, the UN General Assembly adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which noted that eradicating poverty is the greatest global challenge and an indispensable requirement for sustainable development. In support of eradicating poverty, Member States set out a commitment in the 2030 Agenda to leave no one behind and to reach the furthest behind first.

9. The UN has assisted your country to:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
i. Assess the situation of the poorest, most vulnerable, and those that are furthest behind					
ii. Address the development needs of the poorest, most vulnerable, and those furthest behind					

Optional comments: Please mention briefly in what ways the UN can improve this assistance, if any.

10. Regarding past and future assistance to your country, please select the five most important areas where (please select **NO MORE THAN FIVE** areas in each column):

	UN contribution over the past two years has been especially significant in (select the top five SDG areas):	UN assistance will be required in your country over the next two years in (select the top five SDG areas):
Poverty eradication (SDG1)		
Food security, nutrition and eradicating hunger (SDG2)		
Health and well-being (SDG3)		
Education (SDG4)		
Gender equality (SDG5)		
Water, sanitation and hygiene (SDG6)		
Affordable and clean energy (SDG7)		
Productive employment and sustainable economic growth (SDG8)		
Industry, innovation and infrastructure (SDG9)		
Reducing inequalities (SDG10)		
Sustainable cities and communities (SDG11)		
Responsible consumption and production (SDG12)		
Combatting climate change and its impacts (SDG13)		
Sustainable use of oceans, seas and marine resources (SDG14)		
Sustainable use of land, ecosystems and forests (SDG15)		
Peace, justice and strong institutions (SDG16)		
Convening and leveraging partnership for the goals (strengthening resource mobilization, knowledge and technology transfer, capacity building, etc) (SDG17)		

Optional comments:

11. The Resident Coordinator and UN country team have provided support for needed changes in national cross-sectoral policies and regulatory frameworks to advance the SDGs.

- Strongly agree
 Agree
 Disagree
 Strongly disagree
 Don't know

Optional comments:

12. The Resident Coordinator and UN country team contributed to identifying national opportunities for public and private investments at scale to advance the SDGs.

- Strongly agree
 Agree
 Disagree

- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

13. The Resident Coordinator and UN country team have convened a diverse group of stakeholders focused on the financing mix to advance the SDGs.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

14. The Resident Coordinator and UN country team have built the capacity of public institutions for SDG acceleration.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

15. Please rate the effectiveness of the UN country team in the following areas:

	Very effective	Some-what effective	Some-what ineffective	Very ineffective	Not applicable – we did not seek any support	Don't know
Climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution						
Food systems						
Energy access and affordability						
Jobs and social protection						
Education						
Digital connectivity						

16. Please rate the effectiveness of the UN country team support to your country in the following areas:

	Very effective	Some-what effective	Some-what ineffective	Very ineffective	Not applicable – we did not seek any support	Don't know
Implementing national social protection systems						
Mobilizing domestic resources for social protection						
Improving social protection policy, administration and delivery						

17. Please rate the effectiveness of UN development system support to your country in the past year in expanding **targeted measures** of social protection policies and programmes for:

	Very effective	Somewhat effective	Somewhat ineffective	Very ineffective	Not applicable – we did not seek any support	Don't know
Children and Youth						
Persons with disabilities						
People living with HIV/AIDS						
Older persons						
Indigenous peoples						
Refugees, migrants and internally displaced persons						
Workers in the informal and rural economy						
Other groups (Please specify below)						

Optional comments: Please specify which "other groups", if selected.

18. Has your country requested support on gender equality and women's empowerment from the UN development system, including to prevent and eliminate all forms of violence and discrimination?
- Yes
- No
- Don't know

[Skip logic – if answered "Yes" to the previous question] Please rate the effectiveness of support to your country from the UN development system in the past year.

	Very effective	Somewhat effective	Somewhat ineffective	Very ineffective	Not applicable – we did not seek any support	Don't know
Gender equality expertise						
Enhancing the collection, availability and use of sex-disaggregated data						
Strengthening institutional mechanisms and legal frameworks to prevent and eliminate violence and discrimination against women and girls						
Implementing specific measures to protect women and girls from gender-based violence						

Optional comments:

19. Has your country requested support from the UN country team towards universal health coverage by 2030?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

[Skip logic – if answered “Yes or Don't know” to the previous question] Please indicate whether the UN country team supported your country and if so, how effective the support was during the past year in any of the following respects:

	Not applicable – we did not seek any support	No	Don't know	Yes, very effective	Yes, somewhat effective	Yes, somewhat ineffective	Yes, very ineffective
To develop a Universal Health Care Strategy, Policy or Plan							
To increase public/domestic financing for health to ensure financial sustainability, efficiency and equity							
To improve coverage of essential, quality and affordable health services							
In setting measurable national targets towards the achievement of Universal Health Care by 2030							
In strengthening monitoring and evaluation platforms for regular tracking of the progress made towards the achievement of Universal Health Care							

Optional comments:

20. The UN development system and/or UN country team has supported your country in the following ways:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not applicable – we did not seek any support	Don't know
Expanding access to inclusive and equitable quality education						
Strengthening of cooperation in science, technology and innovation						

Optional comments:

21. Over the past year, how effective has the UN country team been in providing support in the following areas?

	Very effective	Somewhat effective	Somewhat ineffective	Very ineffective	Not applicable – we did not seek support	Don't Know
Improving children's access to digital learning						
Improving digital literacy						
Ensuring equal access to education for and vocational training for persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples and children in vulnerable situations						
Taking measures towards lifelong learning and reskilling						
Making curricula and pedagogies more relevant						
Equipping the teaching professions and						

education workforce						
Increasing investment and financing in education						

22. Has your country requested support from the UN country team in digital technology and cooperation?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

[Skip logic – if answered “Yes” to the previous question] Please rate the effectiveness of support to your country from the UN country team in the past year in the following areas.

	Very effective	Somewhat effective	Somewhat ineffective	Very ineffective	Not applicable – we did not seek any support	Don't know
Improving digital inclusion and closing the digital divide						
Safeguarding online spaces to be open and safe for everyone						
Governing the development and use of Artificial Intelligence						

23. Please rate the support from the UN country team to the Government towards meeting the country's obligations under international human rights treaties:

- Adequate
- Somewhat adequate
- Somewhat inadequate
- Poor/inadequate
- Not applicable – we did not seek any support
- Don't know

Optional comments:

24. With respect to your country's most recent Voluntary National Review (VNR) report/presentation at the UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development

(HLPF) on the implementation of the SDGs, and support of the UN in this regard the following applies:

- We requested support from entities of the UN development system in preparing the VNR and benefited from such support
- We requested support from entities of the UN development system in preparing the VNR but did not benefit from such support
- We did not request support from entities of the UN development system
- Don't know
- Not applicable - our country has never prepared/presented a VNR

Optional comments:

[Skip logic, if "Requested support and benefited from such support"]: Please select those areas where the UN provided support to the VNR process (preparation and presentation of report):

- Data collection/compilation
- Data analysis
- Data disseminations (e.g. national SDG data platforms)
- Consultations within the government
- Stakeholder engagement
- Resource mobilization
- Awareness raising for the SDGs
- Capacity building for the SDGs
- Institutional arrangements
- Report drafting
- General advice on the VNR process
- VNR review and validation process
- Other (specify in comments below):

Optional comments:

25. If your country presented a VNR in the last three years at a High-Level Political Forum (HLPF), has your country taken follow-up actions on the VNR?

- Yes, we did take follow-up actions and requested the assistance of the UN in their implementation
- Yes, we did take follow-up actions but did not request the assistance of the UN in their implementation
- No, our country did not take follow-up action to the VNR
- Not applicable - our country did not present a VNR in the last three years
- Don't know

Optional comments:

[Skip logic, If "Yes and UN assistance requested" to previous question] Please identify the area(s) where the UN assisted in VNR follow-up (after presentation of report):

- Data collection/compilation
- Data analysis
- Data disseminations (e.g. national SDG data platforms)
- Consultations within the government
- Stakeholder engagement
- Resource mobilization
- Awareness raising for the SDGs
- Capacity building for the SDGs
- General advice on the VNR follow-up process
- Integration of follow-up actions in the national plans and policies
- Monitoring and evaluation of VNR follow-up actions
- Other (specify in comments below):

Optional comments:

26. The VNR strengthened coordination within your country and increased cooperation among different sectors.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Not applicable - our country has never prepared/presented a VNR
- Don't know

Optional comments:

C. UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework/United Nations Development Assistance Framework

In June 2018, the UN General Assembly adopted resolution 72/279 on the repositioning of the United Nations development system in which it welcomed the use of the United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (Cooperation Framework) and defined it as “the most important instrument for planning and implementation of UN development system activities in each country”. The Cooperation Frameworks articulate the United Nations’ collective response to country needs in their pathway towards the 2030 Agenda and are prepared and finalized in full consultation and agreement with national Governments. The Cooperation Frameworks replace the UN Development Assistance Frameworks (UNDAF).

27. UN development system’s activities in the country adequately reflect the content of the Cooperation Framework/UNDAF:

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

28. With regard to the main processes involved in the life cycle of the Cooperation Framework/UNDAF, do you agree or disagree that the involvement of your Government was sufficient to ensure national ownership and alignment with development plans and strategies:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	Not applicable
Development of the Cooperation Framework/UNDAF						
Implementation of the Cooperation Framework/UNDAF						
Evaluation of the Cooperation Framework/UNDAF						

Optional comments:

29. In the past year, the focus on common results among entities of the UN development system at the country level has improved: *(Answers to this question are also used to report on the Funding Compact between Member States and the UN system.)*

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree

- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

30. Since the repositioning of the UN development system in 2018, the UN system entities work more collaboratively together:

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

31. UNCT configuration is adequately tailored for meeting the specific needs and challenges of the country:

(Note: UN configuration relates to the composition of a UN country team, including both UN entities physically present in the country and contributing remotely. The tailoring of UN country team configuration entails a look at capacities needed to deliver on the outcomes in the Cooperation Framework, be it by in-country UN agency presence and/or from a regional/global base, or other non-physical presence modality.)

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments: Please suggest how the UNCT configuration could be better suited to your country's needs:

32. The UN in your country:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Allows to respond quickly to needs (flexible)					
Is cost effective					
Operates collaboratively					

Optional comments:

33. Was a dialogue on needs-based, tailored UN country presence, facilitated by the Resident Coordinator, held between your Government and the UN development system in light of the new Cooperation Framework?

- Yes
- No, but we plan to do so next year
- Not applicable – we have not prepared a Cooperation Framework under the new procedures/still using an UNDAF
- Don't know

Optional comments:

[Skip logic: If Yes to the previous question] To what extent was your Government satisfied with that dialogue?

- Very satisfied
- Somewhat satisfied
- Somewhat dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied
- Don't know

Optional comments:

D. Resident Coordinators and UN country teams

General Assembly resolution 72/279 on the repositioning of the UN development system decided “to create a dedicated, independent, impartial, empowered and sustainable development-focused coordination function for the United Nations development system by separating the functions of the resident coordinator from those of the resident representative of the United Nations Development Programme, drawing on the expertise and assets of all United Nations development system entities, including non-resident agencies”.

On 1 January 2019 the transition to the reinvigorated Resident Coordinator system was implemented. The new system, led in countries by a strengthened Resident Coordinator, is at the centre of the repositioned United Nations development system. With strengthened authority and impartiality, full-time leadership and enhanced capacities, the Resident Coordinator leads the United Nations country teams’ contributions to countries’ implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

34. Is the role of the Resident Coordinator clear vis-à-vis the role of UN entities in your country?

- Yes, the role is clear and well understood
- Yes, the role is somewhat clear
- No, the role is not clear and responsibilities are often misunderstood
- Don’t know

35. The Resident Coordinator effectively leads the UN country team’s strategic support for national plans and priorities:

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don’t know

Optional comments:

36. The Resident Coordinator has sufficient prerogative (authority) to effectively fulfil her/his mandate: (Answers to this question are also used to report on the Funding Compact between Member States and the UN system)

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don’t know

Optional comments:

37. Compared to before 1 January 2019 that marks the start of the implementation of the reform, vis-à-vis UN entities, to what extent has the Resident Coordinator displayed strengthened/increased:

	To a great extent	To a moderate extent	No change	Too soon to tell
Authority				
Leadership				
Impartiality (provides equal, fair and objective treatment to all concerned)				

Management skills (technical, interpersonal and organizational skills needed to lead the UN country team)				
Capacity to coordinate UN activities in support to your country's development priorities				
Focus on common results of the UN system				
Coherence in UN activities, reducing duplication of efforts				
Ability to serve as an entry point for easy access to UN offer/ expertise across the UN System				

Optional comments:

38. The Resident Coordinator has the right profile and skillsets to support your country's development:

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

39. The UN staff in the country team have the right mix of capacities and skills to support the country's development:

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

40. The Resident Coordinator helps to minimize duplication of efforts among UN agencies, ensuring the efficient use of resources:

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

41. In general, is it easy or difficult for your country to access technical expertise from UN entities:

	Very easy / not a problem	Some what easy	Somew hat difficult	Very diffic ult	Don't know
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Physically represented in the country					
Not physically represented in the country					

Optional comments: If you answered “difficult” to either/both, please elaborate:

E. UN regional support

42. In general, how easy or difficult is it to access expertise from the regional offices of UN development system entities?

- Very easy
- Somewhat easy
- Somewhat difficult
- Very difficult
- Don't know

Optional comments:

43. The UN development system entities at regional level provide support that is:

- Very effective
- Somewhat effective
- Somewhat ineffective
- Ineffective
- Not applicable – no support received from entities at the regional level
- Don't know

Optional comments:

44. How aware is your Government of the UN's Regional Collaborative Platform (RCP) and its functions?

- Very aware
- Moderately aware
- Slightly aware
- Not at all aware

Optional comments:

F. Developing national capacities

45. All things considered, how effective has the UN been in developing national capacities to address development challenges?:

- Very effective
- Somewhat effective
- Somewhat ineffective
- Very ineffective
- Don't know

Comment box: Please identify in which areas the capacity development has been deemed effective, as applicable:

[Skip logic – if answered ‘very effective’ or ‘somewhat effective’ to previous question] Please mention briefly the key contributing factors that have enabled the UN to be effective in developing national capacities:

[Skip logic – if answered ‘somewhat ineffective’ or ‘very ineffective’ to previous question] Please mention briefly any measures you would recommend the UN to take to be more effective in developing national capacities:

46. The UN system uses national systems in carrying out its work wherever possible:
(Note: National systems refers to existing national structures, infrastructure, and services such as financial management systems, national statistics and monitoring systems, etc.)

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments: Please provide an example or best practice of a UN agency using national systems.

47. The UN has contributed to the strengthening of national institutional capacities in the following areas (if such support was requested from your Government):

	Strongly agree	Agree	Dis-agree	Strongly disagree	Not applicable – we did not request support in this area	Don't know
Planning						
Management						
Monitoring & Evaluation						
Data disaggregation						

Optional comments:

G. Strengthening complementarity among humanitarian, development and peacebuilding efforts

The QCPR specifies that a comprehensive whole of system response, including greater cooperation and complementarity among development, disaster risk reduction, humanitarian action and sustaining peace, is fundamental to most efficiently and effectively addressing needs and attaining the Sustainable Development Goals.

48. Please indicate which areas of activity apply in your location:

- Development action, including disaster risk reduction
- Humanitarian action
- Peacebuilding and sustaining peace

49. Among the areas selected in the previous question, please assess the level of collaboration among the UN agencies engaged in more than one of the following areas:

	Very close collaboration	Close collaboration	Not close collaboration	No collaboration at all	Not applicable	Don't know
Development-Humanitarian						
Development-Peacebuilding						
Humanitarian-Peacebuilding						
Development-Humanitarian-Peacebuilding						

Optional comments:

50. The Resident Coordinator has contributed to building stronger synergies across development, humanitarian and peacebuilding interventions:

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know
- Not applicable

Optional comments:

51. If your country has engaged in peacebuilding activities in recent years, how do you assess the UN's efforts to ensure a continued focus on longer-term development and sustaining peace?

- Not applicable – our country has not engaged in peacebuilding activities in recent years
- Very effective
- Somewhat effective
- Somewhat ineffective
- Very ineffective
- Don't know

Optional comments:

52. Does the country have national mechanisms to coordinate development and peacebuilding efforts?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

[Skip logic, if answered YES to question above] Are the mechanisms supported by the UN country team?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

H. Climate action

53. Has your Government requested policy advice from the UN development system on climate action?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

[Skip logic, if YES or DON'T KNOW to previous question] Has the UN provided your Government with policy advice on climate action?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

[Skip logic, if YES to previous question] Was the policy advice on climate action provided in an integrated manner? That is, advice that is offered by the UN country team acting in a collective way, rather than through each agency acting individually.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

54. Over the past year, the UNCT has provided effective support in:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Dis-agree	Strongly Disagree	Not applicable – not requested by the host country
Strengthening the capacity of the host country to build resilience to crisis, disasters and extreme climate events					
Implementing integrated policy approaches to mitigate and adapt to climate change					

Optional comments:

I. Reporting on results

Working closely with all relevant UN entities, the UN Resident Coordinator's Office annually prepares a report on the results achieved by the UN country team in the implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework. The report is expected to be produced in the first quarter of the year, and provide a clear, comprehensive and timely account on results achieved in country.

55. Did the UN Resident Coordinator provide your Government with a report on the results achieved by the UN country team in 2022 in your country? Reports are available online [here](#).

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

Optional comments:

56. To what extent do you agree with the following statements about the most recent annual report provided by the Resident Coordinator on your UN country team's results? *(Answers to this question are also used to report on the Funding Compact between Member States and the UN system.)*

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
We receive reports on UN results regularly enough to meet our needs					
The information in the reports is up to date					
The results of the whole UN system are included					
Sufficient financial data is included					
The reporting includes resources leveraged for financing the SDGs in the country					

The reporting includes information on resources mobilized and delivered by the UN development system					
The reporting is structured around the outcomes of the Cooperation Framework/UNDAF					
The reporting is linked to national development results					
The reporting includes relevant expertise of agencies without physical presence					

Optional comments: Please provide any additional comments, including any you would like to make on the reporting from individual UN agencies.

J. Efficiency and Resources Use/Mobilization

57. All things considered, how efficient is the UN in providing its support to your country?

- Very efficient
- Somewhat efficient
- Somewhat inefficient
- Very inefficient
- Don't know

Optional comments: Please suggest any measures that would improve the UN's efficiency in your country:

58. There is a clear division of labour (that is, no duplication or overlaps) among the activities of UN agencies, funds and programmes in the country:

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

59. As far as you know, to what extent do UN agencies in your country compete with each other for donor funding?

- To a large extent
- To a medium extent
- To a small extent
- Not at all
- Don't know

Optional comments:

[Skip logic, if answered 'to a small extent' or 'not at all' to previous question] Please explain briefly any key contributing factors that helped to prevent or minimise any competition among UN agencies in your country:

60. In your opinion, there has been an increased effort by UN entities in your country to adopt shared strategies for resource mobilization for the implementation of the Cooperation Framework.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

- Don't know
- Optional comments:*

K. Partnerships

61. The UN contributed to building the capacity of the country to engage in partnerships for the Sustainable Development Goals.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

62. The Resident Coordinator has contributed to leveraging partnerships in support of national efforts to advance the 2030 Agenda and achieve the SDGs.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

63. The United Nations country team engages meaningfully with:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	Not applicable
Parliamentarians						
Civil Society (including NGOs)						
International Financial Institutions						
Bilateral development partners						
The private sector						
National human rights institutions						
Media						
Trade unions						
Employers' organizations						
Women groups						
Youth						
Persons with disabilities and their representative organizations						
Indigenous peoples						
Other population groups (at risk of) being left behind						

Optional comments:

64. Does your country provide development cooperation to other countries (e.g. South-South, and/or triangular cooperation or other peer-to-peer exchange platforms)?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

Optional comments:

[Skip logic if 'Yes' to question above] Is there a dedicated entity in your country responsible for South-South and triangular cooperation, bilateral development cooperation with other countries of the Global South?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

65. Has your country requested support from the UN on South-South or triangular cooperation (for example, on specific projects or capacity building)?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

[Skip-logic, if 'Yes'] In the past year, has the UN responded to the request for support on South-South or triangular cooperation?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

Optional comments: Please mention briefly any challenges you have encountered in working with the United Nations system on South-South and triangular cooperation.

66. In the past year, the UN development system has supported your country to map, evaluate and document the following development solutions from countries of the Global South.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	Not applicable
Science, Technology and Innovation solutions						
Climate change						
Disaster risk reduction						
Social protection						
Health						
Food security						
Energy security						
Education						
Digital connectivity						
Other sustainable development solutions (Please specify in comments below)						

Optional comments:

67. Has your country received support from the UN development system to organize global, regional or national knowledge sharing initiatives on solutions from the South in the past year?

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable – we did not request such support
- Don't know

Optional comments: If yes, how many such initiatives were supported in the last year?

68. Has your country received support from the UN to establish or strengthen national development cooperation institutions engaged in South-South or triangular cooperation?

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable – we did not request such support
- Don't know

Optional comments: Please mention any other type of assistance you would welcome on South-South and triangular cooperation.

69. Has UN support for South-South and triangular cooperation resulted in transformational impact on any of the SDGs in your country? If so, please provide 1-2 examples.

L. National Development/SDGs Financing Strategy

An integrated national financing framework (INFF) helps countries strengthen financing and planning processes and overcome existing impediments to financing sustainable development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at the country level. INFFs lay out the full range of financing sources – domestic and international sources of both public and private finance – and allow countries to develop a strategy to mobilize and align financing for the SDGs, with a view to increase investment, manage risks and achieve sustainable development priorities; identified in a country’s national sustainable development strategy.

70. Has your country developed a mapping or framework that presents an overall view of the SDG financing requirements in your country?

- Yes
 No
 Don’t know

Optional comments:

[Skip logic, if ‘Yes’ to previous question] Is the financing strategy part of an Integrated National Financing Framework (INFF)?

- Yes
 No
 Don’t know

Optional comments:

[Skip logic, if ‘Yes’ to previous question] Has your country requested assistance from the UN to develop the Integrated National Financing Framework?

- Yes
 No
 Don’t know

Optional comments:

[Skip logic, if Yes or Don’t know to previous question] Did the UN support your country in developing this framework?

- Yes
 No
 Don’t know

Optional comments:

M. Development partners collaboration

The next questions seek feedback on the areas of UN support in comparison with other development partners.

71. The table below lists the UN system and five other categories of development partners in the top row, and various types of support that they might provide to your country in the left-hand column.

Please select **UP TO TWO** partners that you consider to be the preferred provider of each type of support. In case your country is not interested in a particular type of support, has

no preference among the partners, or has insufficient experience with one of suggested partners, please leave the row blank.

	UN development system entities	International financing institutions	Other multilateral & regional institutions	OECD/DAC partners (traditional bilateral donors)	Southern partners	Thematic or alliance-based partners (e.g. The Global Fund)	Not applicable
Peace & security							
Humanitarian assistance							
Global challenges requiring common action (e.g. climate change, water, migration)							
Assisting countries through support with norms and standards							
Supporting South-South and triangular cooperation							
Supporting regional or sub-regional cooperation							
Mobilizing external resources for development							
Providing evidence-based policy advice							
Providing integrated policy advice where appropriate							
Sectoral programming advice and technical assistance							
Strengthening national capacities							
Assisting Governments in leveraging partnerships							
Direct support and service delivery							

Optional comments:

72. Please select **UP TO TWO** partners that best satisfy your Government's needs in respect of each of the performance factors (rows) in the table below:

If your Government sees no difference among the partners, please leave the row blank. If your Government has insufficient experience with one or other category of partner, please check that partner in the row at the bottom of the table.

	UN development system entities	International financing institutions	Other multilateral and regional institutions	OECD/DAC partners (traditional bilateral donors)	Southern partners	Thematic or alliance-based partners (e.g. The Global Fund)	Not applicable
Is impartial							
Is accountable to recipients							
Is trusted by national partners							
Aligns assistance with national needs and priorities							

Responds quickly to new development needs and priorities							
Achieves planned results on time							
Makes decisions transparently							
Willingly collaborates with other external development partners at the country level							
The Government has insufficient experience with this category of partner							

Optional comments: In your opinion, what can be done to ensure that the UN development system is a neutral, objective, and trusted partner for your country?

73. To what extent has the collaboration between International Financial Institutions and the UN in your country improved since the launch of the repositioning of the UN development system in 2018?

- To a large extent
- To a medium extent
- To a small extent
- Not at all
- Don't know
- Not applicable (International Financial Institutions do not operate in this country)

Optional comments:

Part II: Questions for Voluntary Contributing Governments

Does your Government provide voluntary financial resources to the UN development system?

- Yes
 No

[Skip logic: if 'Yes', proceed to Part II of the survey; if 'No', go to final question in survey]

Questions in this part of the survey seek information about voluntary financial contributions made by your country to the UN development system.

Please note that responses and comments to this part of the survey are not subject to the confidentiality clause.

A. Profile of aid allocations

1. Regarding the voluntary financial contributions that your Government provides to the UN, is there a policy on the proportion or amount assigned (or to be assigned) to core/unrestricted contributions?

- Yes. Please specify this limit in comments below.
 No

Optional comments:

[Note:

- **Inter-agency pooled funds** are pooled contributions to multiple-UN entity funding mechanisms, not earmarked for a specific UN entity.
- **Thematic funds** are single-entity funding mechanisms consisting of co-mingled contributions to support high-level outcomes within the entity's strategic plan.
- **Joint programmes** are a set of activities contained in a joint work plan and related common budgetary framework, involving two or more UN organizations and (sub-)national governmental partners, intended to achieve results aligned with national priorities.]

2. Does your Government have any plans to increase, by 2024, the amount and/or share of its funding to the UN development system through unrestricted (voluntary, core) contributions to individual UN entities or to UN inter-agency pooled funds, joint programmes, thematic funds or to other loosely earmarked funding modalities?

	Yes	No	Too soon to say/ Don't Know
Unrestricted (voluntary, core) contributions to individual UN entities			
UN inter-agency pooled funds			
Joint programmes			
Thematic funds			
Other loosely earmarked funding modalities			

(Optional comment box) Where you responded "yes", please briefly describe these plans, including the scale and timeline:

3. Please indicate which of the following factors and constraints your Government faces in regard to increasing the degree of flexibility of funding provided to the UN development system - that is, in shifting funding that is earmarked to specific projects of individual UN entities to more loosely earmarked or unearmarked funding modalities: [Please select all that apply.]

- Restrictive national policies regarding geographical budget allocations
- Restrictive national policies regarding thematic budget allocations
- Need for systemic change that requires time
- Lack of sufficient visibility on the use of the funding
- Lack of sufficient accountability for results
- Lack of confidence in UN activity prioritization
- Lack of political will
- Other (please, specify)

Optional comment: Please briefly elaborate on selection(s) above.

4. Please choose the option below that *best describes* the position of your Government in regard to earmarked contributions to the UN development system. Please select all that apply.

- No earmarked contributions are made to the UNDS
- Earmarked contributions are avoided where possible but necessary sometimes to complement other development assistance our country carries out
- Earmarked contributions are an important complement to core non-earmarked contributions to support country's international development **geographical** priorities (please specify in optional comments)
- Earmarked contributions are an important complement to core non-earmarked contributions to support country's international development **thematic** priorities (please specify in optional comments)
- Earmarked contributions are our country's preferred contribution modality
- Other (Please specify in comments below):

(Optional comment box) Please provide other details about earmarked contributions and priorities for your country, including geographic or thematic where applicable in your response)

5. What barriers (if any) has your country encountered in the last four years to providing/increasing multi-year contributions to the UN development system (select all that apply)?

- Legislation requires annual budget approval for overseas development assistance including to the UN
- Ministry policy prohibits or limits multi-year funding agreements
- Fiscal constraints
- Reprioritization to bilateral funding
- Other (please specify in comments)

Optional comments: (Please specify any other barriers or restrictions on contributions in a multi-year format)

6. Since before the UN development system reform (2019), to what extent do you observe a change in cases of UN agencies competing for donor funding?

- There are a greater number of cases of competition for donor funding
- No change
- There are fewer cases of competition for donor funding
- Don't know

Optional comments:

7. Since before the UN development system reform (2019), to what extent do you observe a change in cases of overlap/duplication among the activities being carried out by individual UN entities?

- There are a greater number of cases of overlap/duplication among UN entity activities
- No change at all

- There are a fewer number of cases of overlap/duplication among UN entity activities
- Don't know

Optional comments:

[Skip-logic: If "greater number" or "no change" was selected in the previous question] Which of the following statements reflect your Government's experience (please select all that apply)?

- Entity mandates overlap
- Programme country/ies has requested the active participation of one or more entities that do not normally lead on the activity
- Multilateral development partner has funded the active participation of one or more entities that do not normally lead on the activity
- Entities in some countries are unwilling to work together
- The Resident Coordinator has had insufficient leadership or authority to prevent overlap or duplication
- Other (please specify below):

Optional comments:

8. In the last 12 months, has your Government advanced any efforts for harmonization of reporting and visibility requirements on development-related contributions at the country level?
- Yes
 - No
 - Don't know

Optional comments:

9. Please rate the importance of the following factors in deciding to contribute development assistance to a selected UN development system entity in a particular country:

Selected factor	Very important	Moderately important	Slightly important	Not at all important	Don't know
The strength of the entity's in-country presence					
The best fit in terms of the entities' mandates and comparative advantages					
The entity's policies regarding national implementation					
The quality of the entity's work, based on evidence such as DAC or MOPAN reviews, evaluations etc.					
The quality of the entity's reporting on results					
The overhead or administrative costs charged by the entity					
The level of transparency in the entity's financial reporting					
The commitment of the entity to a coherent, whole-of-system approach to the SDGs, in line with the UN development system reform					
Past history of partnership with the UN entity					

Optional comments: Please mention any other key factors in this regard:

B. Funding the Resident Coordinator System

“Also emphasizes that adequate, predictable and sustainable funding of the Resident Coordinator system remains a concern and is essential to delivering a coherent, effective, efficient and accountable response in accordance with results on the ground to meet national needs and priorities and stresses the need to fully operationalize the three funding sources set out in paragraph 10 of its resolution 72/279 (on repositioning).” GA Res 75/233, OP67.

“Re-emphasizes that adequate, predictable and sustainable funding of the resident coordinator system is essential to delivering a coherent, effective, efficient and accountable response in accordance with national needs and priorities and decides to provide sufficient funding for the resident coordinator system on an annual basis” OP 5, GA Res 76/4 on the review of the RC system.

Note: The current model for funding the resident coordinator system includes cost-sharing by UNSDG entities, Member States voluntary contributions, and a 1 percent coordination levy on tightly earmarked third-party non-core contributions to United Nations development-related activities.

10. Please rate the extent to which your Government is applying the 1% coordination levy on applicable contributions (tick the appropriate box).
- Applying the levy thoroughly and consistently
 - Applying the levy on most applicable contributions
 - Applying the levy on an ad hoc basis
 - Not applying the levy on most applicable contributions
 - Not applicable – we do not provide non-core contributions that are applicable to the levy.

Optional comments:

11. Please briefly describe any steps your Government has taken to ensure the 1% levy is consistently applied on applicable funding and well understood by relevant staff, especially at country level.
12. Please briefly describe any barriers your Government has with regards to paying the 1% coordination levy at source.
13. Please add any other comments you would like to share on the funding of the Resident Coordinator system, including with regard to the proposal by the Secretary-General of the “hybrid 2.0” funding model.

C. Funding Compact implementation

The [Funding Compact](#) aims at increasing quality of funding vis-à-vis increased transparency and accountability for results, setting ambitious commitments by Member States and the UN development system.

14. My Government has taken active measures to systematically implement the Funding Compact.
- Strongly agree
 - Agree
 - Disagree
 - Strongly disagree
 - Don't know

Optional comments: Please briefly describe how (maximum 100 words):

15. What are the major constraints within your Government to the advancement of the Funding Compact implementation? [Please select all that apply]:
- Lack of/low awareness/knowledge of the Funding Compact

- Systemic impediments to make changes in funding patterns
- Lack of political will to change funding patterns
- Funding Compact targets are overambitious
- Lack of incentives to change funding patterns
- Other – please specify

Optional comments: Please briefly elaborate on any impediments selected above.

D. UNDS repositioning

16. Since the repositioning of the UN development system in 2018, the UN system entities work more collaboratively together:

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

Optional comments:

17. Since 2019, the new Resident Coordinator system:

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Improved coherence in UN activities/reducing duplication of efforts					
Scaled-up collective action that supports the SDGs					
Leveraged the comparative advantages of individual UN entities					
Serves as the first entry point for easy access to UN /offer expertise across the UN system					

Optional comments:

18. UN Resident Coordinators convene multi-stakeholder dialogues with government and donors to support and enable policy coherence and policymaking aligned to the SDGs.

- Yes, regularly on key agreed priorities
- Yes, sometimes on key agreed priorities
- Infrequently and on an ad hoc basis
- Never
- Don't know

Optional comments:

19. Please rate the importance of the following functions provided by the UN development system for operational activities for development across programme countries:

	Important	Somewhat important	Not important
Normative support			
Policy advice & thought leadership			
Data collection & analysis			
Capacity development & technical assistance			
Convening stakeholders / leveraging partnerships & facilitating knowledge sharing			
Direct support & service delivery			
Support functions (such as operations or management)			

Other (please specify below)			
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Optional comments:

E. Reporting on results

20. In general, how would you rate the quality of the UN development system's reporting on results achieved with the financial resources your Government contributes?

	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know
Core / unrestricted resources				
Resources earmarked towards joint programmes				
Resources earmarked towards inter-agency pooled funds				
Resources earmarked to specific projects of individual UN entities				

Optional comments:

21. In general, how would you rate the transparency of the UN development system's reporting on results?

- Very good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Don't know

Optional comments:

F. Funding prioritization

22. Which of the following groups of countries does your Government prioritize the most when deciding on your contributions to the United Nations development system (select **UP TO TWO** groups)?

- LDCs (Least developed countries)
- LLDCs (Landlocked developing countries)
- SIDS (Small island developing States)
- African countries
- Countries in conflict and post-conflict situations
- MICs (Middle-income countries)
- Other (please specify in comments)
- None

Optional comments:

G. Final question

23. (Final question): Please provide comments on any aspect of the survey.