

Costed Evaluation Plan Belarus Country Office

Programme cycle	United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) Belarus 4th Country Programme (2026-2030)
Indicative budget	US\$ 5.4 million
Country programme priority areas (outputs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Output 1.1: Improved Quality and Accessibility of Demographic Data to Support Round 2030 Census and National and Regional Socio-Economic Strategies. • Output 2.1: Expanded opportunities for women and men of all ages to participate in socio-economic development and family duties, maintaining good health. • Output 3.1: Strengthened structures and policies for inclusive social support and sustainable demographic resilience. • Output 3.2: Strengthened implementation of the national plans and strategies for the increased quality of life and wellbeing in the environment of demographic shifts.
Previous country programme evaluation	<p>Period covered: 2nd Country Programme(2016-2020)</p> <p>Year of completion: 2020</p> <p>Evaluation quality assessment rating: Very good</p>
Gap mapping/analysis of relevant evaluative evidence and knowledge gaps that are strategically important to inform the design and implementation of the upcoming country programme	<p>A country programme evaluation (CPE) was not conducted in the 3rd programme cycle. To inform the design and implementation of the 4th country programme (CP), a mapping of existing evaluative evidence was conducted, grounded in a comprehensive analysis of country-level, regional and centralized evaluation reports on strategically important areas, including sexual and reproductive health (SRH), gender-based violence (GBV), and demographic resilience. The costed evaluation plan (CEPlan) has been developed based on the mapping document, which highlights data gaps related to the outputs of the new CP and informs the country office's strategy to address these gaps through diverse evaluation processes during the 4th programme cycle</p> <p>For Output 1.1 of the CP, the CPE will assess UNFPA's contribution to improving the accessibility and use of demographic data from the 2030 census round, usage of the National Transfer Accounts (NTAs) and the Results Based Budgeting (RBB) by national and local stakeholders, addressing the evidence gap on UNFPA's technical support to register-based population and housing censuses that leverage digital technologies for enumeration (internet-based self-enumeration) and census data processing (AI use for data processing), applying demographic data for socio-economic planning.</p> <p>For Output 2.1 of the CP, the CPE will provide further evidence on the impact of men's low life expectancy on the quality of the lives of women and families, the influence of gender stereotypes and social norms on the life expectancy gap between men and women, and the effectiveness of communication strategies designed to target male health as the key determinant of families' and individuals' well-being.</p>

	<p>For Output 3.1 of the CP, the CPE will address evidence gaps related to the effectiveness of the national GBV response mechanism, including the performance of multi-sectoral response services, with focus on the most vulnerable groups, the functioning of referral pathways, as well as the availability and quality of GBV prevalence data and reporting barriers.</p> <p>For Output 3.2 of the CP, the CPE will assess the effectiveness of the introduction and promotion of family-friendly policies and programmes at workplaces, the effects of the expansion of the family planning concept on advancing gender equality and supporting the reproductive choices of families and individuals, and the effectiveness of the intergenerational (“silver” and youth) bridging initiative.</p> <p>Given the cross-cutting nature of humanitarian aspects across all outputs of the country programme and focusing on emergency preparedness interventions, the CPE of the 4th programme cycle (2026-2030) will assess the integration of emergency preparedness and response within the health and social protection systems in the areas of SRH, GBV, disaggregated data systems to inform humanitarian decision-making. It will also evaluate how UNFPA’s humanitarian interventions complement developing programming, ensuring the continuity of essential services, particularly for women and adolescents and youth, while strengthening national resilience and emergency response capacities.</p>
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Evaluations

Evaluation title	Intended use of evaluation findings	Type of evaluation	Humanitarian evaluation (yes; partially; no)	Joint evaluation (yes; no), including partners where applicable	Programme/ project budget in US\$	Evaluation estimated budget and source of funding (regular resources (RR); other resources (OR)) in US\$	Timeframe (month and year)	Evaluation manager
Country Programme Evaluation (4th cycle, 2026-2030)	Inform the design of the new country programme; refine the targeting of strategies and interventions under the new country programme, ensuring they reach and benefit the furthest left-behind groups; determine the scale up or discontinuation of strategies and	Country programme evaluation (CPE)	No	No	5.4 million	75,000 (RR)	Preparation phase: October-December 2028 Implementation phase: January - August 2029	Programme Analyst, Gender / CO M&E focal point

	interventions under the new country programme; inform decision-making and the strategic positioning of UNFPA in the country; enhance accountability towards the national government, donors, and rights holders							
United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) evaluation (2026-2030)	Inform the development of the next UNSDCF and its alignment with national needs and priorities; strengthen UNFPA's strategic positioning and added value within the UN Country Team; refine UNFPA's contributions within joint UN initiatives to maximize impact; enhance accountability to the national government, donors, and right holders.	United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) evaluation	No	Yes Resident Coordinator Office (RCO), all UN Country Team members	Tbd by RCO	Tbd by RCO	January - December 2029	RCO with support of UN entities

Evaluation Capacity Development						
Evaluation capacity development activity	Objectives of evaluation capacity development activity	Category of evaluation capacity development (internal; national)	Type of evaluation capacity development (individual; institutional; enabling environment)	Estimated budget and source of funding (regular resources (RR); other resources (OR)) in US\$	Timeframe (month and year)	Targeted stakeholders
Participation in the Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) -led cross-regional evaluation capacity building workshop	Develop the knowledge and skills of CO staff to plan, manage, conduct, disseminate and use a country programme evaluation	Internal	Individual	3,400 (RR)	June 2028	Programme Analyst, Gender / CO M&E focal point