

Costed evaluation plan – Gambia – UNICEF country programme of cooperation, March 2024–December 2028

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 of UNICEF (2023) ([E/ICEF/2023/27](#)) and its corrigendum ([E/ICEF/2023/27/Corr.1](#)).

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Final evaluation of the Zero Out-of-School Children Project (2023–2025) to enrol all children 7–12 years old in school	Outcome 2.2: By 2028, marginalized and vulnerable people in the Gambia enjoy efficient social and economic inclusion, right-based human development for reduced poverty and inequality.	Goal Area 2: Every child, including adolescents, learns and acquires skills for the future.	The evaluation will identify key lessons learned and strategies that helped the project to increase education access for out-of-school children and contribute to the knowledge base.	The findings will contribute to learning and accountability by providing in-depth insight into the project’s operational and programmatic outcomes in enabling access to education for out-of-school children. The findings, including setbacks in achieving the intended results, will be used to help improve the project design for scaling up, and to document the approaches and methodologies used to achieve the results. The learning will be widely shared among relevant stakeholders to learn from as a model.	March 2026	25 000 (RR) 100 000 (OR) 125 000 (Total)
Evaluation of the Expanded Programme of Immunization Coverage (2023–2027)	Outcome 2.2 (<i>see above</i>)	Goal Area 1: Every child, including adolescents, survives and thrives with access to nutritious diets, quality primary health care, nurturing practices and essential supplies.	The evaluation will assess how well the programme has decreased the number of unvaccinated children, including the most vulnerable and hard to reach, and provide	The results will be used to inform the next country programme and national policy and strategy development to accelerate the programme’s ability to achieve impactful results and sustainable and equitable health outcomes for children. The findings will also be used for advocacy and resource	January 2027	30 000 (RR) 70 000 (OR) 100 000 (Total)

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			insights and advice to achieve better outcomes. The programme is a top priority in the national health policy and is in line with the objectives for health set out in the National Development Plan (2023–2027) and UNSDCF (2024–2028).	mobilization to improve the programme’s performance.		
Country Programme Evaluation	<p>Outcome 1.1: By 2028, women, children, displaced people, youth and people with disabilities, particularly in rural and urban disasters and conflict-prone areas, are resilient to climate-related and other shocks and have access to sustainable food, WASH and health systems, including education and social protection.</p> <p>Outcome 2.1: By 2028, marginalized and vulnerable people in the Gambia participate in functional, accountable and transparent institutions for the efficient delivery of public services and good governance.</p>	<p>Goal Area 1</p> <p>Goal Area 2</p> <p>Goal Area 3: Every child, including adolescents, is protected from violence, exploitation, abuse, neglect and harmful practices.</p> <p>Goal Area 4. Every child, including adolescents, has access to safe and equitable WASH services and lives in a safe and sustainable climate and environment.</p> <p>Goal Area 5. Every child, including adolescents, has access to inclusive</p>	In accordance with the guidelines of the evaluation policy of UNICEF (2023), the goal is to gather evaluative evidence at the end of the implementation of the country’s programme and assess the programme’s effectiveness.	<p>The evaluation will assess the effectiveness of the country programme theory of change to bring about the desired results for children and adolescents and identify how they may be updated. It will also highlight how well the principles of human rights, child rights, gender and equity, as well as results-based management, are being applied across the country programme. Progress towards the achievement of the desired results will also be identified, along with areas for improvement and corrective actions.</p> <p>The findings of the evaluation will inform the next country programme in terms of: - core strategies and innovations to be adopted</p>	April 2027	200 000 (RR)

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	Outcome 2.2 (<i>see above</i>)	social protection and lives free of poverty.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - organizational learning to inform decision-making - required capacities of staff and partners to achieve the desired results, with a focus on the most vulnerable children - identifying strategic areas for partnerships to enhance and accelerate results for children. 		
Total resources						255 000 (RR) 170 000 (OR) 425 000 (Total)