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**Agenda item 5.b:**

**Update on the Monitoring Framework for Strategic Plan 2026-2029 (Baselines and targets)**

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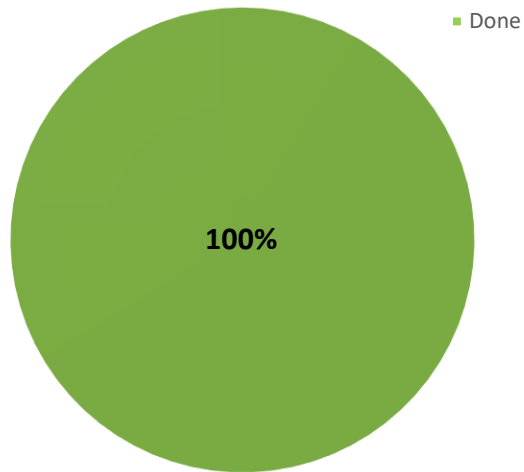
Approval of the **Monitoring Framework of the Strategic Plan 2026–2029** (*III EB 2025*)

Subsequent presentation of **indicator methodologies, baselines and targets** (*I EB2026*)

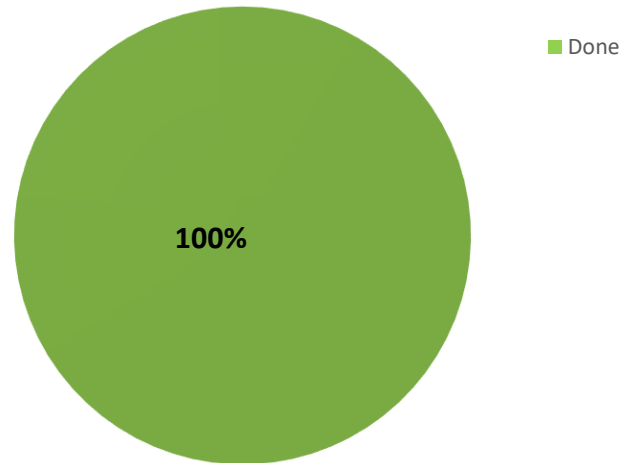
- **24 indicators** covering impact and outcome levels.
- A key distinction between **contribution** (impact/strategic focus indicators) and **attribution** (outcome indicators).
- **Impact-level indicators** rely primarily on global-secondary datasets, including SDG sources.
- **Outcome-level indicators** draw on programmatic data from UN-Habitat’s activity.
- **Baselines and targets** have been developed through a progressive, iterative process.



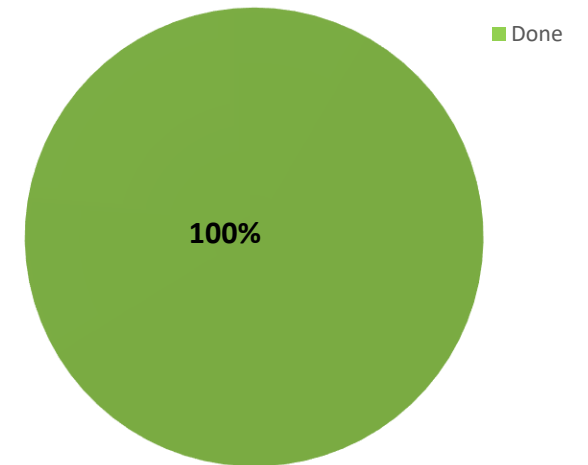
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**Methodological Information**



**Baselines**



**Targets**

[Methodological Guide on indicators of the Monitoring Framework – available online](#)



# Where we stand

Impact	Indicator	Subset	Baseline	Targets				
			2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	
Equitable and inclusive prosperity for poverty eradication	Indicator 1: Proportion and number of urban population living in slums, informal settlements and inadequate housing.	Proportion of population (%)	(2022 estimates) 24.76	24	23.5	23	22.5	
		Number (Billion)	(2022 estimates) 1.12	1.11	1.1	1.09	1.08	
Preparedness, response, recovery and reconstruction	Indicator 2: Population living in crisis-affected cities that benefits from sustainable urban recovery approaches that foster social integration, in particular of displaced communities, put land, housing and basic services at the center and facilitate transition from the humanitarian response to sustainable development.	Population (Mill)	83	87	91	95	100	
		Number of qualifying cities	90	95	100	105	110	
Environment and climate action	Indicator 3: Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) with strong urban content and Urban NDC implementation strategies and plans A. Number of NDCs with strong Urban Content. B. Proportion of global population covered by NDCs with strong urban content. C. Number of Urban NDC implementation strategies and plans.							
		Number	53	65	70	75	75	
		Proportion (%)	54	56	57	58	59	
		Number	0	5	10	15	20	

Strategic Focus	Indicator	Subset	Baseline	Targets				
			2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	
Adequate Housing	Indicator 4: Number of countries that reduced: a) the proportion of urban population living in slums and b) the number of people living in slums.	Number	(2024) 73	75	77	79	81	
		Number	(2024) 11	13	15	17	19	
Land	Indicator 5: Proportion of total adult population with secure tenure rights to land, (a) with legally recognized documentation, and (b) who perceive their rights to land as secure, by sex and type of tenure	Proportion (Legally recognized documentation) (%)	(2022) 34.30 - 43.14	34.5 - 44.3	36.6 - 45.4	38.9	40% - 45%	
		Proportion (Perception of tenure security) (%)	(2022) 81.74 - 89.13	85.96-89.13	87.02 - 89.13	88.07-89.13	89.13	
	Indicator 6: Proportion of countries where the legal framework (including customary law) guarantees women's equal rights to land ownership and/ or control	Proportion of countries (%)	2.4	3.5	5	7	9	
Basic Services	Indicator 7: Proportion of urban population with access to basic services (a) basic drinking water services, (b) basic sanitation and basic hand-washing facilities, (c) basic waste collection services, (d) clean, affordable, and sustainable energy, and (e) sustainable mobility	Proportion (Basic drinking water services)	73.75%	+ 2.5m which is + 0.03%	+ 2.5m which is + 0.03%	+ 2.5m which is + 0.03%	+ 2.5m which is + 0.03%	
		Proportion (Basic sanitation & handwashing facilities)	57.5% basic sanitation 78.75% basic hygiene	+ 1.1m which is + 0.01%	+ 1.1m which is + 0.01%	+ 1.1m which is + 0.01%	+ 1.1m which is + 0.01%	
		Proportion (Waste collection services) %	75	+2	+1	+1	+1	
		Proportion (Clean, affordable and sustainable Energy)	91% electricity 73.7% clean cooking fuels	+1.1	+1.1	+1.1	+1.1	
		Proportion (Sustainable Mobility) %	60.9	+1	+1	+1	+1	

<b>Dimension-wide indicators</b>	<b>Indicator 8:</b> Number of people benefiting from housing, and/or land, and/or basic services policies that aligned with the NUA	Number ( <i>Housing</i> ) ( <i>Billion</i> )	3.7		4.05		4.13
		Number ( <i>Land</i> ) ( <i>Mill</i> )	670	694	702	710	717
		<i>Basic Services</i> ( <i>Billion</i> )	3.05		3.2		3.26
	<b>Indicator 9:</b> Proportion of global population under the international poverty line that are covered by pro-poor and inclusive national housing, land, and/or basic services policies supported by UN-Habitat	<i>Proportion of population</i> (%)	10.20	9.5	9.2	8.9	8.6

**Means of Implementation: Integrated urban and territorial planning, management, investment and finance**

<b>Outcome</b>	Spatial development plans, policies and legislation, planning systems and finance frameworks foster the social and ecological functions of land and catalyze public and private investments for access to adequate housing, land and basic services for all						
	<b>Indicators</b>	<b>Subset</b>	<b>Baseline</b>	<b>Targets</b>			
			<b>2025</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>2027</b>	<b>2028</b>	<b>2029</b>
<b>Planning and Policy</b>	<b>Indicator 10:</b> Number of partner countries that have national urban policies or laws or regional/spatial development plans that (a) respond to population dynamics; (b) ensure balanced territorial development; and (c) increase local fiscal space.	Number (Urban policies)	64	66	68	70	72
		Number (Urban legislation)	44	46	48	50	52
		Number (Regional/spatial development plans)	19	21	23	25	27
<b>Finance</b>	<b>Indicator 11:</b> Number of partner subnational authorities that have improved Own Source Revenue (OSR) per capita and Property Tax per capita and average % increase in OSR and property tax per capita	Number (OSR per capita)	3	10	15	20	25
		Number (property tax per capita)	3	10	15	20	25
		Average increase in OSR p/c(%)	14	10	10	10	10
		Average increase in property tax p/c %)	34	10	10	10	10
<b>Dimension-wide</b>	<b>Indicator 12:</b> Number of partner cities implementing land, housing, basic services or slum transformation strategies or interventions aimed at improving housing for all, in alignment with SDG 11.1 and the right to adequate housing	Number (Land)	42	44	46	48	50
		Number (Housing)	35	38	40	42	44
		Number (Basic Services)	47	49	51	53	55
		Number (Slum transformation)	52	54	56	58	60

## Means of Implementation: Participatory multi-level governance and localization of the Sustainable Development Goals

Outcome	<i>Participatory multi-level governance mechanisms support adequate housing, land, and basic services for all, mainstreaming gender equality and women's empowerment, and accelerate SDG localization</i>						
		Subset	Baseline	Targets			
			2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
<b>Multilevel-governance</b>	<b>Indicator 13:</b> Number of partner countries with institutionalized, functional and inclusive multilevel governance mechanisms ensuring participation of local and regional governments and community/civil society representatives, fostering SDG localization for adequate housing, land, basic services	<i>Number</i>	39	41	45	48	50
<b>SDG Localization</b>	<b>Indicator 14:</b> Number of innovative, contextualized solutions supported, and volume of finance (USD) channeled towards SDG catalytic initiatives at the local level, fostering adequate housing, land, basic services, through SDG Localization process including approaches and tools promoted by the Local2030 Coalition	<i>Number (Solutions supported)</i>	20	40	60	80	100
		<i>Volume of finance channelled (Mill \$)</i>	10	25	50	100	200+
		<i>Percentage solutions benefitting women/youth (%)</i>	30	35	40	45	50
<b>Gender</b>	<b>Indicator 15:</b> Number of partner cities that have institutionalized inclusive and equal participation for women in local-level decision-making on adequate housing, land and basic services	<i>Number</i>	37	47	57	67	77
<b>Dimension-wide</b>	<b>Indicator 16:</b> Number of partner countries that disaggregate their statistics on access to adequate housing, basic services and land, by sex.	<i>Number (land rights)</i>	40	55	60	65	70
		<i>Number (adequate housing)</i>	0	23	26	29	31
		<i>Number (basic services)</i>	15	30	40	50	60

**Means of implementation: Knowledge, data, digitalization and capacity development**

Outcome	<i>Improved knowledge and capacities inform evidence-based, innovative policies on adequate housing, land, and basic services for all</i>						
	Indicators	Subset	Baseline	Targets			
			2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Knowledge	Indicator 17: Number of local, regional and national governments and other stakeholders that a) formally reference and b) use UN-Habitat’s knowledge products for policy formulation and practice relating to adequate housing, land and basic services, as evidenced by official documentation	<i>Number (Formal referencing of knowledge products)</i>	71	81	94	107	124
		<i>Number (Use of knowledge products)</i>	74	85	98	112	129
Data	Indicator 18: Number of countries with more than 50% data reporting coverage for SDG indicators under UN-Habitat custodianship.	<i>Number</i>	67	75	83	90	100
Capacity	Indicator 19: Number of individuals and stakeholders benefitting from UN-Habitat's capacity development initiatives, resources, and tools, as reflected in: (a) number of individuals participating in capacity development activities led or supported by UN-Habitat; and (b) number of stakeholders using UN-Habitat’s capacity development tools in their institutions or trainings.	<i>Number (Individuals participating)</i>	18233	26622	32585	39213	45689
		<i>Number (Stakeholders utilising tools)</i>	141	273	379	475	571
Innovation	Indicator 20: Number of national, regional and local governments that used UN-Habitat’s guidance on people-centred smart cities approach and innovation tools in relevant policies, strategies, initiatives and technology solutions aimed at enhancing access to adequate housing, land and basic services	<i>Number of national, regional or local governments</i>	35	35	38	40	45

**Means of implementation: Partnerships, coalitions, advocacy and communication**

<b>Outcome</b>	<i>Increased awareness and transparency and strengthened collaboration among relevant stakeholders promote access to adequate housing, land and basic services for all</i>						
	<b>Indicators</b>	<b>Subset</b>	<b>Baseline</b>	<b>Targets</b>			
			<b>2025</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>2027</b>	<b>2028</b>	<b>2029</b>
<b>Increased awareness</b>	<b>Indicator 21:</b> Number of cities, countries, stakeholders and individuals engaging in UN-Habitat-led events and campaigns such as World Urban Forum, Urban October on housing, land, basic services and sustainable urban development	<i>Number (countries)</i>	182	183	58	184	60
		<i>Number (cities)</i>	435	438	242	440	244
		<i>Number (stakeholders)</i>	1,038	1,040	115	1,042	118
		<i>Number (Individuals)</i>	26,200	26,500	1,300	26,800	1,350
	<b>Indicator 22:</b> Number of people reached and exposed to messages on housing, land and basic services through communication channels	<i>Web visits (Mill)</i>	6.5	7	8	9	10
		<i>Number of followers (Social media footprint) (Mill)</i>	0.8	0.95	1	1.5	2.5
<i>Media outreach (number of articles)</i>		100	150	200	300	400	
<b>Stakeholders</b>	<b>Indicator 23:</b> Number of national, subnational, and local governments, multistakeholder platforms, and coalitions actively collaborating through UN-Habitat-supported initiatives, to scale up solutions on housing, land, and basic services.	<i>Number (National)</i>	N/A	30	35	40	45
		<i>Number (Subnational)</i>	N/A	100	130	160	200
		<i>Number (Multistakeholder platforms and coalitions)</i>	N/A	5	10	15	20

**Means of implementation: Effective resources mobilization**

<b>Outcome</b>	<i>Increased and predictable resources for UN-Habitat and its partners advance access to adequate housing, land and basic services for all</i>						
<b>Resources</b>	<b>Indicator 24:</b> Total value of financial contribution mobilized per year disaggregated by (a) earmarked vs non-earmarked and (b) single-year vs multi-year.	<i>Foundation non-earmarked (USD Mill)</i>	3.8	5.25	5.94	6.0	6.0
		<i>Foundation earmarked (USD Mill)</i>	50.5	48.1	48.5	50.9	50.9
		<i>Technical cooperation (USD Mill)</i>	112.3	109.9	115.1	120.9	120.9



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# Addressing feedback

- **Baselines, targets and timelines:**
  - All baselines and targets have been finalized
  - The Monitoring Framework will function as a living instrument
  - Targets have been defined based on realistic assessments of available capacity, resources and programme pipelines
- **Attribution and contribution:**
  - Outcome level indicators are focused, where possible, on partner cities and countries directly supported by UN-Habitat
  - Narrative reporting (e.g. through Annual Reports) will build on and complement quantitative data to explain context, contribution pathways and external influencing factors
- **Outcome-indicator alignment:**
  - Indicators have been designed to capture observable intermediate results that are methodologically robust and measurable
  - Further refinement will continue to strengthen alignment, including through improved articulation of contribution pathways
  - Several key elements of indicators have been included/excluded in order to maintain consistency with SDG definitions and methodologies
- **Outputs vs. Outcomes:**
  - In certain areas, methodological constraints limit the ability to measure higher-level outcomes directly
  - Output-oriented indicators have been retained where they provide reliable and verifiable data
  - The Secretariat remains open to further guidance from Member States on strengthening outcome-level measurement

**Thank you**