The One UN Programme III 2018-2022 (OP III) articulates the shared purpose of the UN family in Pakistan: delivering as one to achieve the SDGs.

Together, we work with the Government and partners in Pakistan to improve people’s lives, reduce inequalities, protect the planet and leave no one behind.

**EXPERIMENT IN 2019**

**TOTAL UN BUDGETARY EXPENDITURE IN 2019**

**U.S.$ 513.86 MILLION**
SNAPSHOT: MESSAGE BY THE UN RESIDENT COORDINATOR

“In words, images, facts and figures, the One UN Annual Report 2019 chronicles the high-impact results that the UN in Pakistan achieved, together with our partners, to make the ambition of the Sustainable Development Goals a reality for all the people of Pakistan.

In 2019, millions of lives in Pakistan changed for the better as the UN worked ‘as one’ to deliver the greatest impact for people in the greatest need. The UN’s mission in the country has never been clearer. We are here to help Pakistan achieve its sustainable development priorities so that no one is left behind. Together, I believe we will achieve the future we want: a more inclusive, equitable and prosperous Pakistan.”

SNAPSHOT: FOREWORD BY THE EAD SECRETARY

“Throughout 2019, the Government of Pakistan and the UN continued a highly-valued partnership to accelerate sustainable development across the country.

We look forward to strengthening our collaboration to achieve our vision of Pakistan: a country free from poverty, unshackled by inequalities and exclusion, and oriented around the common benefits of sustainable human development for all.”

Abdul Majeed’s story:

“Clean energy, clean water

“This plant has not only benefitted us but has also benefited people from other villages in the area,” Abdul Majeed says. The UN-supported solar Reverse Osmosis (RO) plant in his village, in Balochistan’s drought-stricken Nushki district, has transformed lives. Abdul’s story is a testament to the power of renewable energy to solve water crises, revive barren land, and help to achieve the SDGs. Read more in our Annual Report.”
**DECENT WORK**

**IMPACT IN 2019**

- **Support for upholding labour standards**
  - 15,900 workers' occupational safety and health improved

- **Livelihood opportunities for marginalized groups**
  - 2,043 host community members and refugees received vocational training

- **Advances on craft-based sustainable livelihoods**
  - 9,060 artisans trained on sustainable craft development

- **Empowering entrepreneurs, MSMEs and startups**
  - 2,200 entrepreneurs accessed microfinance

- **Support for youth employment and entrepreneurship**
  - 16,213 young people benefitted from entrepreneurship education

- **Promoting decent work for women**
  - 15,900 women home-based workers received life skills training

“**Farhad’s story:** New livelihoods, new horizons

“I decided to give [business] a chance, and that chance changed my entire life,” explains Farhad. The retired truck driver’s small shop has gone from strength to strength, thanks to the UN-backed FATA Economic Revitalization Programme, which supports the Islamic Microfinance Organization to provide microloans and training to entrepreneurs in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa’s Merged Districts. Read more in our Annual Report.

*Farhad’s story: New livelihoods, new horizons*

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**HEALTH AND WASH**

**IMPACT IN 2019**

- **Moves towards universal health coverage**
  - Support for the implementation of the National Health Vision 2025

- **Localization of SDG 3**
  - SDG 3 targets and indicators integrated into the National Health Plan

- **Progress on immunization**
  - 40 million children reached by polio vaccination campaigns

- **Better maternal and child health**
  - 700 MNCH providers trained

- **Support for the HIV/AIDS response**
  - 8,000 people screened for HIV in Balochistan

- **Greater access to water, sanitation and hygiene**
  - 1.7 million people gained access to safe drinking water

“**Farzana’s and Arshad’s story: Vaccinators saving lives**

“On some days we have less energy,” Arshad admits. “But we remind ourselves of all the lives we are saving, and the energy comes back.” Each day, Arshad and Farzana brave community resistance in their quest to end vaccine-preventable diseases. Vaccinators like them are the backbone of the Expanded Programme on Immunization and its UN-supported drive to reach every child in Pakistan. Read more in our Annual Report.

*Farzana’s and Arshad’s story: Vaccinators saving lives*
**IMPACT IN 2019**

**NUTRITION**

- **Policy progress on nutrition and food fortification**
  - Adolescent Nutrition Strategy developed

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- **Foundation for evidence-based nutrition interventions**
  - Pakistan Dietary Guidelines for Better Nutrition developed

- **Stronger capacities for improving nutrition**
  - 35 officials trained to monitor breast milk substitutes legislation

- **Treatment and prevention of malnutrition**
  - 266,780 children treated for severe acute malnutrition

- **Progress on food safety frameworks**
  - Islamabad Capital Territory Food Safety Policy finalized

- **Moves to stop stunting in its tracks**
  - 15% reduction in stunting in intervention areas in Rahim Yar Khan, Punjab

- **“Having learned about the ill effects of unsafe water, poor hygiene, lack of nutritious food and improper childcare practices, we are changing our lifestyle and can already feel the difference,” reports Liaquat. In his village and others like it, the UN-backed Stunting Reduction Programme is raising awareness of nutrition and expanding access to sanitation to stop stunting in its tracks. Read more in our Annual Report.**

- **IMPACT IN 2019**

**FOOD SECURITY & AGRICULTURE**

- **Evidence-based food security mechanisms**
  - Food Security and Nutrition Information System (FMIS) rolled out

- **Advances on improved land governance**
  - 55 tenancy agreements signed in Sindh

- **Support for climate-smart agriculture**
  - Farmers trained to adopt climate-smart practices

- **Relief assistance meets immediate food needs**
  - 19,812 households received monthly food assistance

- **Sustained efforts to mitigate drought**
  - 9,193 drought-affected people helped to revive infrastructure

- **Livelihood support cements long-term food security**
  - 713,600 people aided by the Food Assistance for Assets initiative

- **Gul Bano’s story:**
  - A new lease on life

  Gul Bano is rewriting the narrative on what rural women can achieve. After training with the UN-supported Improving Land Tenancy in Sindh (ILT5) project, she is applying sustainable farming techniques to make the most of kitchen gardening – growing her own crops, protecting the land she holds dear, and inspiring other women to get involved and safeguard their families’ food security. Read more in our Annual Report.
RESILIENCE

IMPACT IN 2019

- Stronger capacities for disaster risk management
government and humanitarian partners trained on preparedness

- Frameworks for disaster and climate risk management
District-level Disaster Risk Management Plans developed

- Early warning systems minimized risks
automatic weather stations up and running

- Support for formerly displaced persons
people’s access to basic services improved

- Community preparedness, recovery and resilience
people benefited from preparedness, response and recovery interventions

- Moves to safeguard cultural heritage
28 Kalasha women handicraft artisans engaged

- Support for formerly displaced persons
1.57 million people’s access to basic services improved

- Stronger capacities for disaster risk management
1,100 government and humanitarian partners trained on preparedness

- Community preparedness, recovery and resilience
3.6 million people benefited from preparedness, response and recovery interventions

- Early warning systems minimized risks
35 automatic weather stations up and running

- Support for formerly displaced persons
1.57 million people’s access to basic services improved

Yar Muhammad’s story:
Fields of gold nurturing resilience

“I was very happy to cultivate my land again,” Yar Muhammad declares. After nearly a decade of displacement from Bara, in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa’s Merged Districts, the UN-supported Restoring Subsistence and Commercial Agriculture in FATA is cementing agricultural resilience by providing farmers like Yar Muhammad with quality inputs, introducing innovative practices and reclaiming land. Read more in our Annual Report.

EDUCATION AND LEARNING

IMPACT IN 2019

- Progress on education sector planning
2 provisional Education Sector Plans endorsed

- School feeding bolsters nutrition and education
3,500 children will benefit from school feeding in ICT

- Promotion of tolerance and inclusive education
27,539 refugees supported to study the Pakistani curriculum

- Advances in non-formal education and ECE
302,192 children supported to access formal and non-formal education

- Focus on media and information literacy
1,000 people engaged on media and information literacy

- Efforts to advance girls’ education
6,898 children trained on menstrual hygiene management

- Community preparedness, recovery and resilience

- Support for formerly displaced persons

Aamir’s story:
From the fields to the classroom

“All of a sudden, I was waking up to go to school – not the fields,” recalls Aamir. “It was like a dream come true.” With the help of a local organization that provided his parents a small loan and taught them about financial literacy, Aamir’s family could finally afford to send him to school. He now has what every child deserves: a chance to learn and thrive in a safe, secure environment. Read more in our Annual Report.
**I know I’m going to make these beautiful marble mosaic art pieces and sell them for a living,” Naseem Bibi says.** With the skills training she accessed through the UN-led project, Moving from a Charity Model to Rights-based Work: Delivering as ONE for the Empowerment of Women with Disabilities, Naseem Bibi is beating the odds to secure an independent livelihood. Read more in our Annual Report.

**Rubina’s story:** Registering every child

“Together with the help of Nikkah Registrars,” explains Rubina, “we are now informing the communities about why [birth registration] is so important, while ensuring that every child is registered in the system.” As the only woman Union Council Secretary in Punjab’s district of Bahawalpur, she is making the most of a UN-assisted birth registration drive to provide children with a passport to protection. Read more in our Annual Report.
Impact in 2019

Progress on provincial social protection systems

- 300 households linked with social assistance via a One Window system

Momentum on social protection for informal workers

- Mazdoor ka Ehsaas (‘Compassion for Workers’) programme formalized

Support for Ehsaas poverty alleviation

- UN assistance prioritized universal social protection

Advances on reducing health inequities

- Healthy City Programme rolled out in Islamabad

Precedent for workplace safety and compensation

- 224 dependents of the Baldia factory fire accessed compensation

Protection for refugees and other vulnerable groups

- 6,035 refugees accessed cash assistance to support repatriation

Azeem’s and Safit’s story: Banking on a brighter future

“There is a threat to you when you have that kind of cash at home. Having a bank account is really important,” says Mohammad Azeem. Refugees like Azeem and Sifat Ullah are reaping the benefits a new Pakistani law – passed in 2019 after sustained advocacy, backed by the UN – that allows refugees to open bank accounts, providing them with safer and more secure forms of managing their finances. Read more in our Annual Report.