

ANNEX.B: FULLY COSTED EVALUATION PLAN

The UNDP Bhutan CPD 2024-2028 Evaluation Plan outlines evaluations to be conducted during the country programme period 2024 to 2028, including associated costs. The purpose is to enhance accountability, learning, and knowledge management within UNDP and amongst stakeholders, and is designed as a strategic tool for informed decision-making at both project and programme levels, while contributing to the desired development outcomes in Bhutan. The Evaluation Plan covers evaluations, mandatory as per the UNDP's Evaluation Guidelines (2021), of 1) all projects with a budget of over 3 million USD and 2) those with a duration of more than five years, and 3) those entering the second phase. It also includes evaluations of all GEF/GCF-funded projects following donors' evaluation policy. The terminal evaluation of one country programme outcome has been included in the penultimate year of the country programme, findings of which will feed into the successor programme's design. Two thematic evaluations are planned early in the cycle so that learnings from these evaluations can guide future project design in these areas of work.

The distribution of the 11 evaluations to be undertaken during the years covered by the CPD is as follows: 2024: 3; 2025: 2; 2026: 3; 2027: 2 and 2028: 1. Amongst them, 1 evaluation is under CPD outcome 1, 8 evaluations under CPD Outcome 2; and 2 under CPD Outcome 3.

This Plan remains a dynamic document. An annual review of the Evaluation Plan will be conducted to verify the feasibility of scheduled project evaluations, and necessary adjustments will be communicated to the relevant focal point at the Regional Bureau. For future/new projects approved within the new programme cycle, evaluations will be included/updated in the Evaluation Plan in accordance with the UNDP Evaluation Policy.

UNSDCF Outcome	UNDP Strategic Plan Outcome	Evaluation Title	Partners (joint evaluation)	Evaluation commissioned by (if not UNDP)	Type of evaluation	Planned Evaluation Completion Date	Estimated Cost (USD)	Provisional Source of Funding
Evaluations under CF Outcome 1 / CPD Outcome 1 (Total 1: 1 outcome evaluation)								
Outcome-1: By 2028, Bhutan has sustainable and diversified economic growth, decent employment and livelihoods and shared prosperity	SP Outcome 1: Structural transformation accelerated, particularly green, inclusive and digital transitions	Terminal evaluation of Outcome 1 of CPD	RGoB	UNDP	Outcome Evaluation	November 2027	30,000	Regular Resources
Evaluations under CF Outcome 3 / CPD Outcome 2 (Total 8: 7 project and 1 thematic evaluation)								
Outcome-3: By 2028, Bhutan's environment remains sustainably	SP Outcome 3: Resilience built to respond to systemic	Mid-Term Evaluation of Advancing Climate Resilience of the	UNDP, GEF, MoIT, MoF	UNDP	Project evaluation	December 2025	44,000	Project budget

managed, and its people are more resilient to disaster risks and climate change.	uncertainty and risk.	Water Sector in Bhutan (ACREWAS)						
		Terminal Evaluation of ACREWAS	UNDP, MoIT, MoF	UNDP	Project evaluation	May 2028	46,000	Project budget
		Mid-Term Evaluation of Urban Resilience	UNDP, MoIT	UNDP	Project evaluation	June 2027	40,000	Project budget
		Terminal Evaluation of Supporting Climate Resilience and Transformational Change in the Agriculture Sector (GCF-CRA)	UNDP, MoF	UNDP	Project evaluation	May 2026	75,000	Project budget
		Mid-Term Evaluation of Mainstreaming Biodiversity Conservation into the Tourism Sector in Bhutan	UNDP, DoT/MoICE	UNDP	Project Evaluation	Feb 2024	24500	Project budget
		Terminal Evaluation of Mainstreaming Biodiversity Conservation into the Tourism Sector in Bhutan	UNDP, DoT/MoICE	UNDP	Project Evaluation	April 2026	49500	Project budget
		Terminal Evaluation NAP Readiness	UNDP	UNDP	Project evaluation	March 2024	35,000	Project budget
		Meta evaluation on climate action	RGoB	UNDP	Thematic Evaluation	April 2025	25,000	Project budget

Evaluations under CF Outcome 4 / CPD Outcome 3 (Total 2: 1 thematic evaluation and 1 Outcome evaluation)								
Outcome-4 By 2028, Bhutan has more inclusive, transparent and accountable governance and rule of law	SP Outcome 2: No one left behind centering on equitable access to opportunities and a rights-based approach to human agency and human development.	Multi-year framework of governance	N/A	UNDP	Outcome Evaluation	August 2024	20,000	Regular resources
		Gender equality	RGoB	UNDP	Thematic Evaluation	August 2026	20,000	Regular resources