



UNDP Programmes supported by the Joint SDG Fund

SDG volunteers
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The Joint SDG Fund is the United Nations’ flagship catalytic financing mechanism, established to accelerate integrated policy reforms and strategic investments that advance implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Operating in line with the UN Secretary-General’s Funding Compact 2.0, the Fund supports countries in aligning national priorities, financing frameworks, and institutional systems with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

In the Kyrgyz Republic, the Joint SDG supports a Joint UN Programme, implemented under the One UN approach, to assist the Government in strengthening SDG-aligned governance, financing, and service delivery systems. Since 2020, the Joint SDG Fund has provided USD 1,525,191 to advance integrated national financing, SDG localization, and digital health transformation in line with national development priorities and sectoral reform agendas.

UNDP project supported by the Joint SDG Fund since 2020:

Project	Duration	Budget
Enhanced financing opportunities and alignment with national sustainable development goals through an Integrated National Financing Framework for Kyrgyzstan	2020 - 2023	USD 650,191
Empowering Bishkek Stakeholders for Sustainable Development: Awareness and Capacity Building for SDG Action	01/10/2024 - 30/09/2025	USD 75,000
Bringing the digital health divide	01/06/2024 - 30/06/2027	USD 800,000
Total		USD 1,525,191



Strengthening national financing systems to deliver the National Development Programme 2030

Achieving the SDGs in the Kyrgyz Republic requires coordinated planning, budgeting, and investment decisions across government institutions, combined with effective mobilization of public and private finance. Through Joint SDG Fund support, UNDP assisted the Government in operationalizing the Integrated National Financing Framework (INFF) as a country-led mechanism to align financing flows with national development priorities and SDG targets.

The INFF process strengthened the linkage between development planning, fiscal policy, and investment frameworks, directly supporting implementation of the National Development Programme 2030 and related public finance reforms.



Peter Middlebrook, Development Finance Assessment expert
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▼ Key Results

- Strengthened national capacity to link development planning, budgeting, and financing policies with SDG targets through the operationalization of the INFF framework.
- Enhanced institutional coordination among key government stakeholders responsible for economic policy, public finance, and investment planning, supporting more coherent and results-oriented decision-making.
- Improved analytical foundations for SDG-aligned financing, including identification of financing gaps, prioritization of investment needs, and exploration of innovative and blended finance solutions.
- Established a strategic platform for public-private dialogue on SDG-aligned investments, contributing to a more enabling environment for private sector participation in sustainable development.



SDG localization and Urban Governance

Local governments play a central role in delivering SDG outcomes, particularly in urban development, service delivery, climate resilience, and social inclusion. With Joint SDG Fund support, UNDP partnered with UNECE, UN-Habitat, and the Bishkek Mayor's Office to strengthen SDG localization through the operationalization of the city's first Voluntary Local Review (VLR).

The initiative moved beyond reporting to embed SDG monitoring and evidence-based planning into municipal governance systems, supporting the Government's decentralization and territorial development agenda.

With support from the Joint SDG Fund, UNDP assisted the Bishkek Mayor's Office in moving beyond reporting toward practical implementation of the VLR, positioning it as a living policy tool to guide urban planning, regulatory reforms, and service delivery improvements. This work also supported Kyrgyzstan's broader decentralization and territorial development agenda, ensuring stronger vertical alignment between national strategies and municipal action.



At the Steering Committee's Meeting
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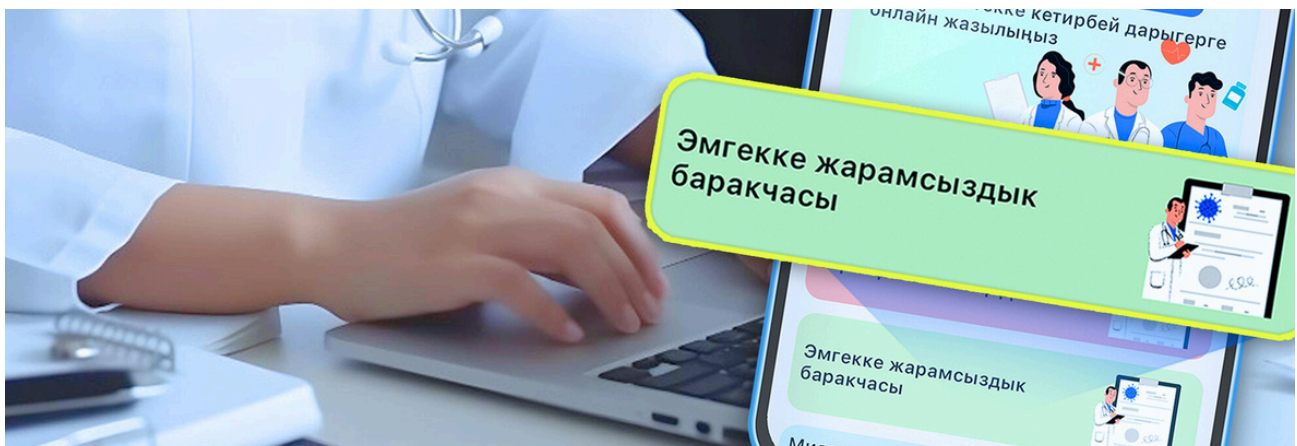
- Supported the operationalization of Bishkek's first Voluntary Local Review (VLR), strengthening the city's capacity to monitor, plan, and report on SDG implementation at the local level.
- Developed a VLR Roadmap and best-practice compendium linking Bishkek's development challenges with tested policy solutions from global cities.
- Introduced risk-informed and climate-sensitive territorial analysis to guide urban expansion, infrastructure planning, emissions management, and fiscal decision-making.
- Strengthened vertical coordination between municipal and national institutions, improving alignment with national SDG commitments and the 2030 Agenda.



Digital Health Transformation and Inclusive Service Delivery

Digital transformation is a national priority for improving access, efficiency, and quality of public services in the Kyrgyz Republic. Through the Joint Programme “Bridging the Digital Health Divide,” implemented by UNDP, UNFPA, and WHO. UNDP is supporting the Government to strengthen digital health ecosystems, with a focus on interoperability, institutional capacity, and accessibility for vulnerable groups.

Rather than developing standalone platforms, UNDP supports system-wide digital integration across health, social protection, and related sectors to reduce administrative barriers and improve service delivery outcomes.



Digital sick leave is introduced in Kyrgyzstan
| Photo: Ministry of Health

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- Supported the Government Accelerator initiative on disability certification, enabling the transition toward a fully digital process and improving interoperability between the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Labour, Social Protection and Migration.
- Improved processing efficiency, transparency, and service quality for over 50,000 annual disability certification applicants, reducing administrative burden for citizens.
- Conducted a comprehensive digital maturity assessment of the Ministry of Health, reviewing more than 15 information systems and identifying interoperability gaps and modernization priorities.
- Developed a digital health roadmap to guide system integration, connectivity improvements, and future resource mobilization.

All joint programmes of the Joint SDG Fund are led by UN Resident Coordinators and implemented by the agencies, funds and programmes of the United Nations development system. With sincere appreciation for the contributions from the European Union and Governments of Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Monaco, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland for a transformative movement towards achieving the SDGs by 2030.

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