

Joint informal consultation on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279 on repositioning of the United Nations development system



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UNDP, UNFPA, UNOPS

**CONTINUED STRONG
COMMITMENT TO THE
REPOSITIONED UN
DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM**



- Implementing GA mandates
- Consolidating UNDS Reform gains
- Strengthening accountabilities
- Advancing on ongoing streams

Policy and Programming



UNDP's Contributions

Technical leadership of the UN Socio-Economic Response Framework

Integrated policy advice and services for SDG acceleration

Financing for sustainable development

Strengthening programme alignment

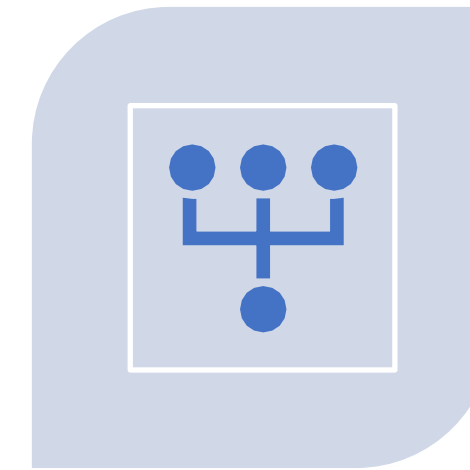
Funding and Partnerships



CORE AND FLEXIBLE
RESOURCES - ABILITY
TO RESPOND
EFFECTIVELY



COMMITMENTS UNDER
THE FUNDING
COMPACT BEING MET



INTER-AGENCY
PARTNERSHIPS
EXPANDED AND
DEEPENED

Business Operations

59
countries

Business Operations Strategies – 59 countries

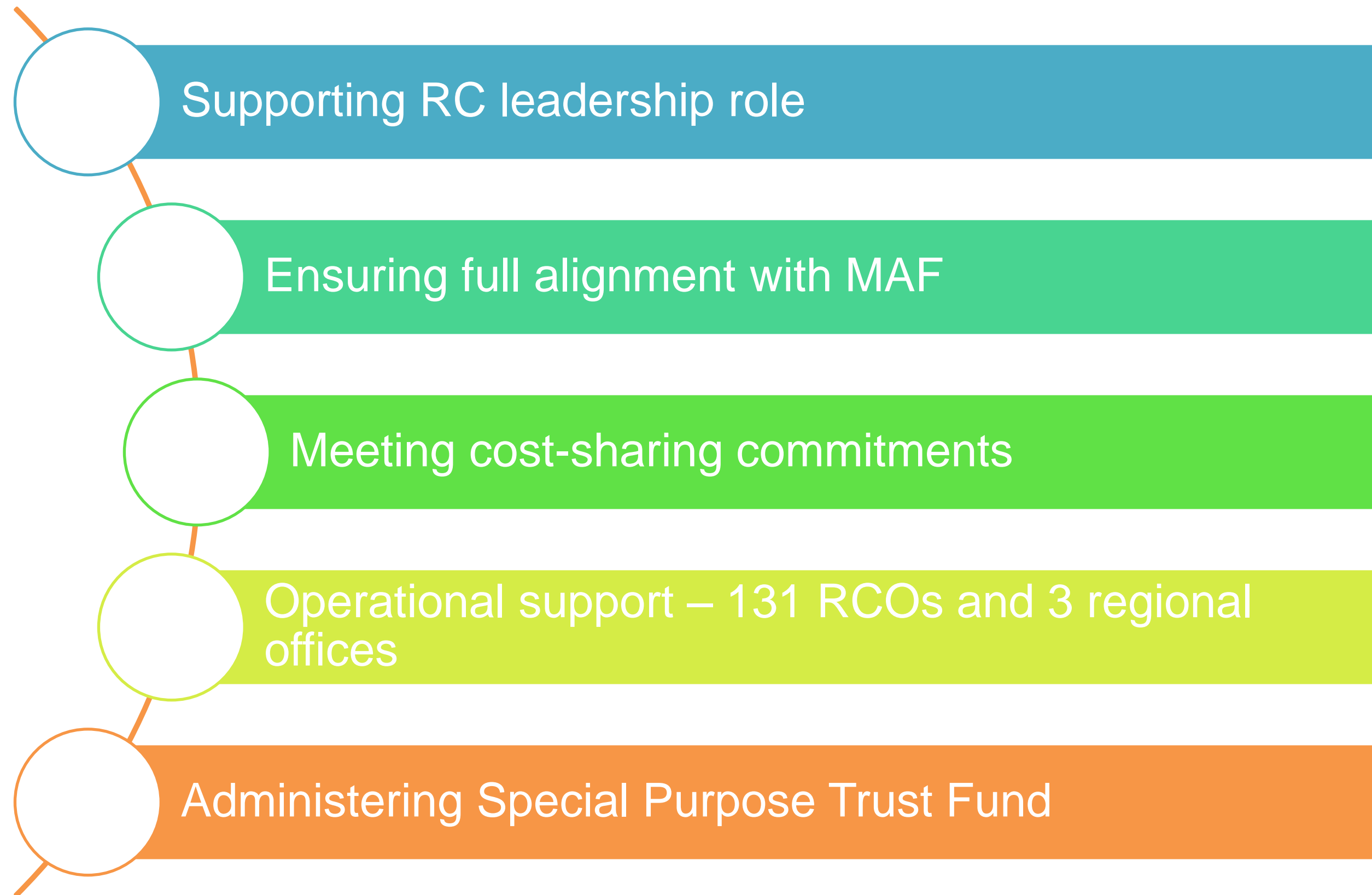
12 pilot
countries

Common Back Offices – 12 pilot countries

\$350
million

Repurposed to programmatic investments in 2018-2020, benefiting from efficiency gains

Reinvigorated RC System



Reform Mandates under Implementation



Regional Review

- Five Regional Collaborative Platforms fully functional
- Issue Based Coalitions in each region
- Regional results reporting

Multi Country Office Review

- 'Rising for SIDS' offer and Accelerator Labs
- Conceptualization of a finance facility for SIDS
- Deployment of additional capacities

Implementing UNDS Reforms



Global-level



- Co-Chair of Business Innovation Group
- Co-Chair of UNSDG Task Teams on Gender Equality and continued engagement in UNSDG Networks on Gender Equality, Human Rights and LNOB
- Coordinator of MCO Policy and Technical Support workstream

Regional-level



- Increased coordination with all Regional Economic Commissions
- Active engagement in Regional Collaborative Platforms
- Increased support to UNCTs

Country-level

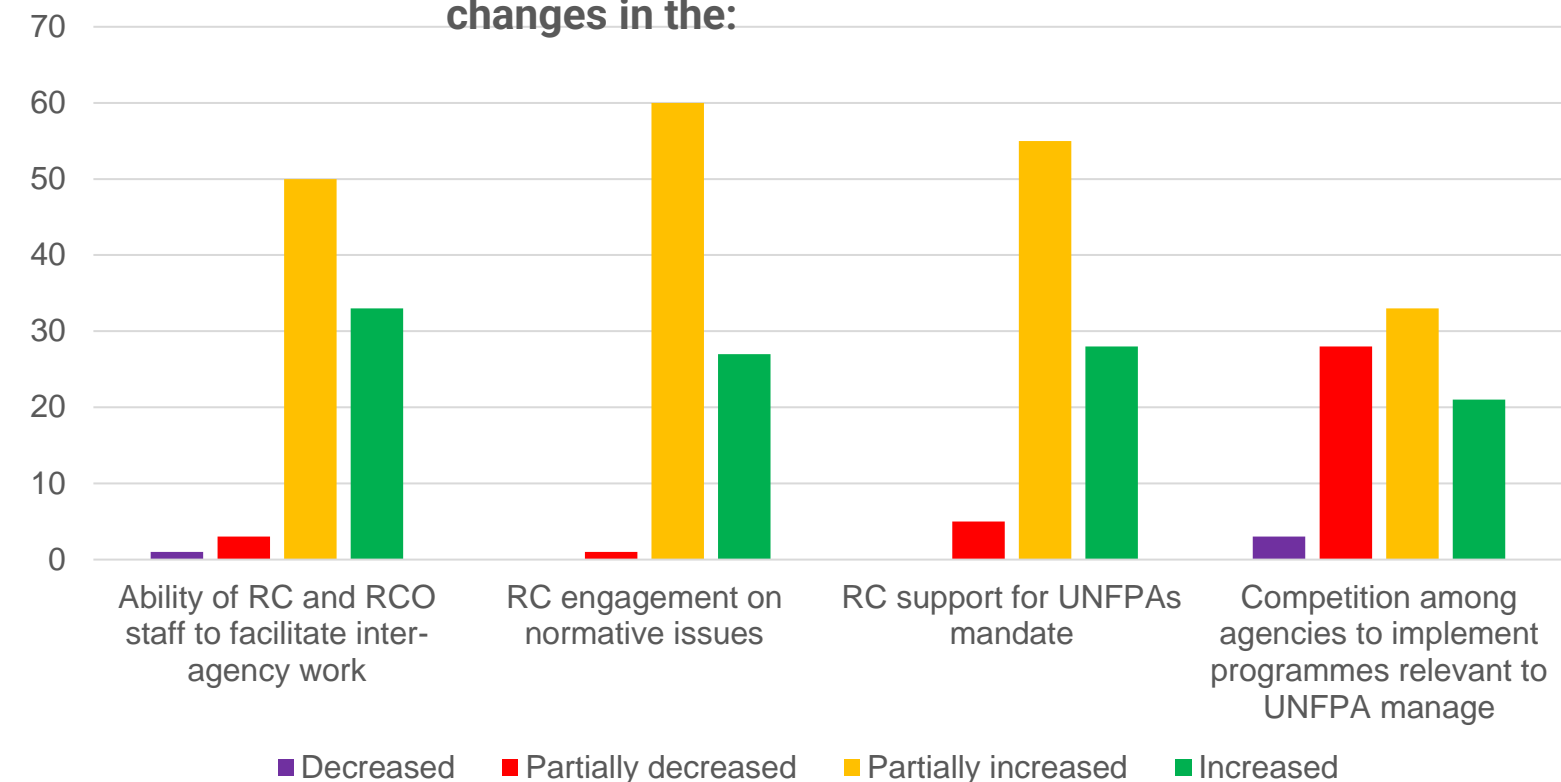


- Active engagement in UNCT results groups
- Increased joint programming
- Alignment with UNSDCFs

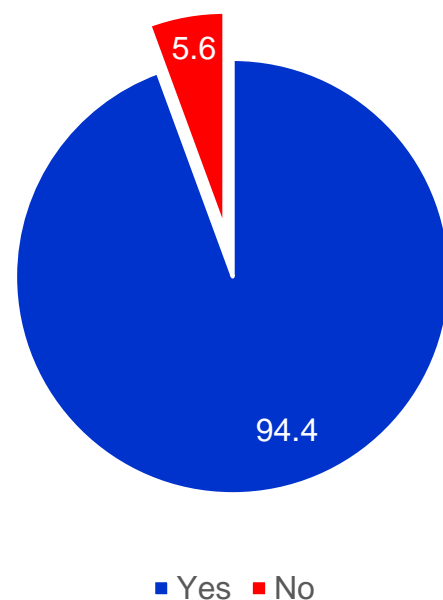
Toward SDGs Implementation: RC system



Since the adoption of the MAF in 2019, have there been any changes in the:



Did the RC effectively enable UNFPA's active participation in country-level COVID-19 Socio-Economic response and recovery efforts?

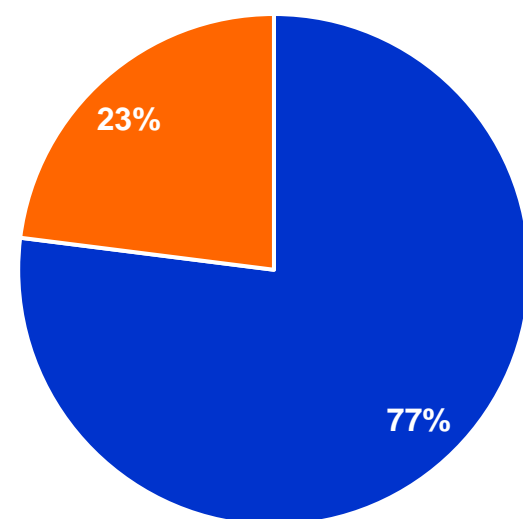


- The ongoing UNDS Reforms are generally succeeding in facilitating increased coordination, cooperation, and coherence among UNDS entities at country and regional levels.
- Resident Coordinators amplified UNFPA's mandate and improved country-level coordination, including in the context of COVID-19 response and recovery efforts.
- Reforms led to increased engagement of UNCTs on normative issues and made UNFPA's work more relevant at country level. Reforms strengthened collective UN support to achieve national development priorities.
- Resident Coordinators strengthen UN accountability and transparency though facilitating collective annual reporting to the governments

Toward SDGs Implementation: Partnerships

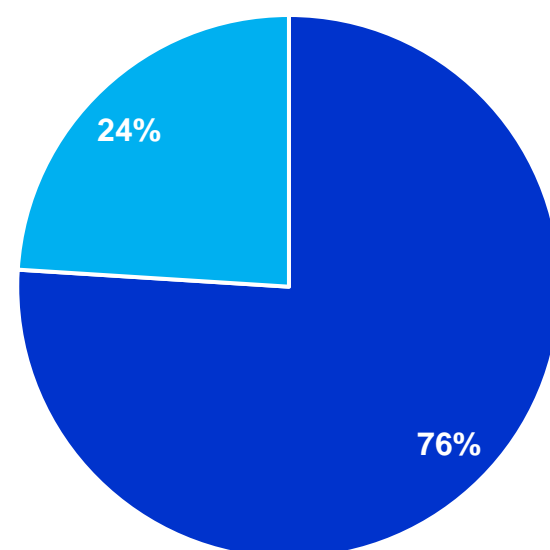


Has the development and/or implementation of the UNSDCF led to UNFPA's increased participation in joint programming initiatives?



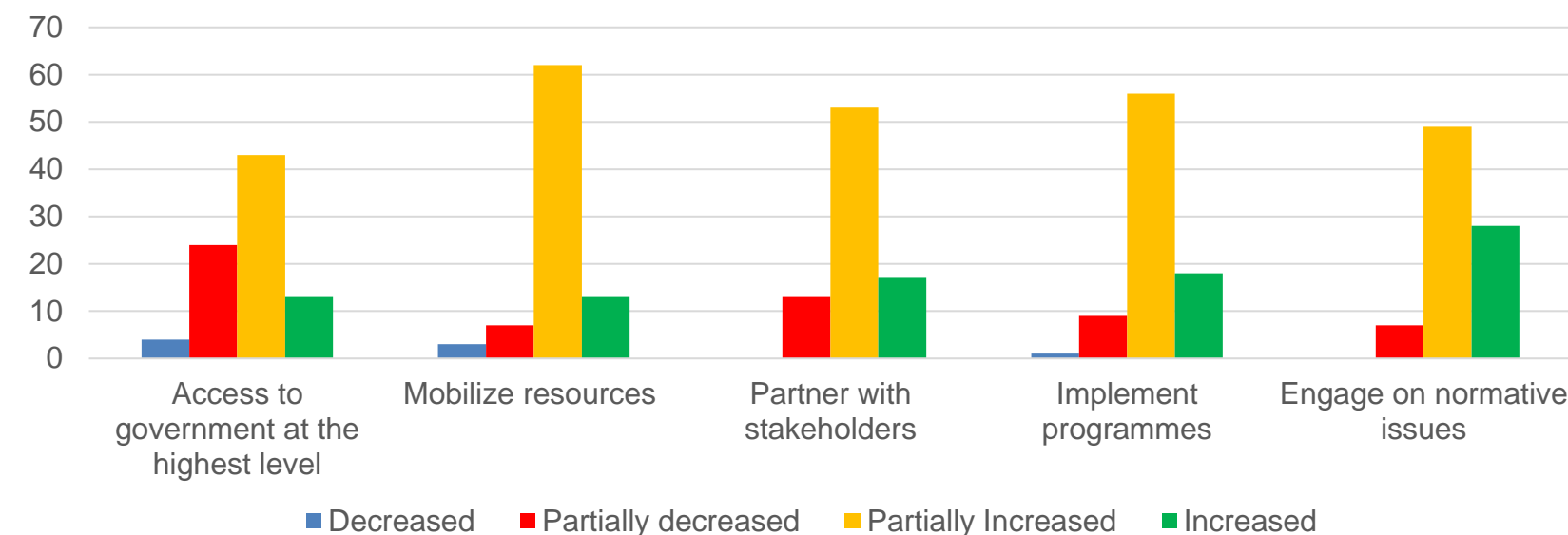
■ Yes ■ No

Have national UN COVID-19 Socio-Economic Response Frameworks led to more integrated support to host governments?



■ Yes ■ No

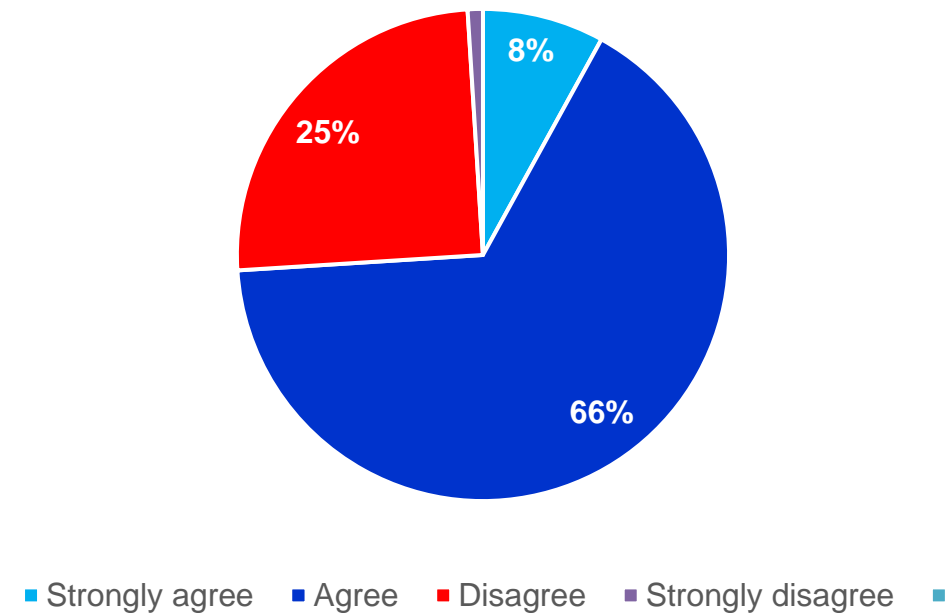
Since the adoption of the MAF in 2019, have there been any changes in UNFPA's ability to:



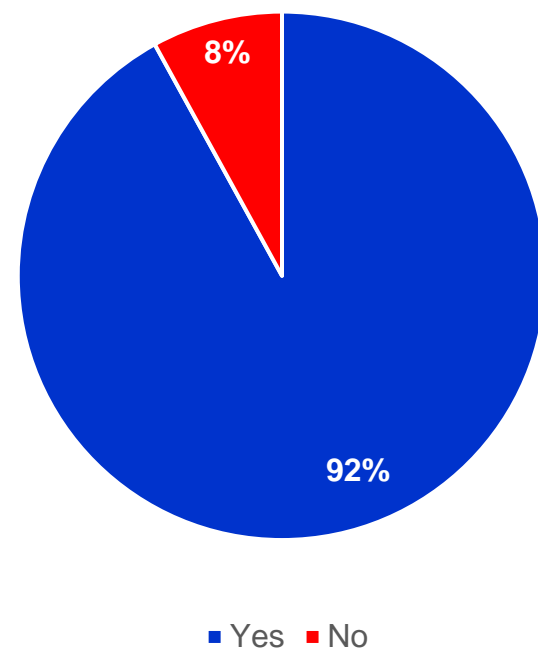
- Since 2019, partnerships with agencies and other stakeholders have increased, as well as ability to mobilize resources.
- The Cooperation Framework has led to increased partnership among agencies at country level, to jointly support SDG implementation. This is evidenced through steady increases in resources UNFPA receives from UN pooled funding and other UN-to-UN transfers, amounting to over \$270 million in 2020 compared to \$164 million in 2018.
- The system-wide Socio-economic response frameworks provided an important tool for increased integrated support to host governments, which the system should build on.
- Compared with the 2019 survey, country offices reported a slight decrease in access to the highest levels of government.

Toward SDGs Implementation: Business Operations

To what extent do you agree that your Office has experienced efficiency gains from common business operations?



Has your Office been engaged in the implementation of UNCT common business operations, including through the implementation of BOS 2.0?



- Common business operations have generally been successful in achieving efficiencies. Country Offices have identified three key areas for common business operations, including procurement, administration and facilities management and finance.
- At the country-level, the continued implementation of common business operations are leading to efficiency gains but not necessarily cost savings.
- UNFPA country offices remain very active player in the development and implementation of the Business Operations Strategies
- The global mutual recognition agreement signed by has been successful in leading to efficiencies, in particular in the area of procurement.

NEXT STEPS



Revision of the
Management and
Accountability Framework

Resident Coordinator
System Review

- **Integrating lessons learned into system-wide guidance**

Building on COVID-19
response for integrated
support to host governments

Tailored approaches to
countries, in particular
countries in special
situations

- **Learning lessons and addressing gaps**

QCPR Monitoring
Framework

Strategic Plan 2022-2025

- **Leveraging key policy and programming framework**