

Progress in Côte d'Ivoire country in 2023

OUTCOME XM-DAC-41146-CIV_D_1.1

By 2025, Governance systems are more inclusive, accountable, effective and have quality data and people live in an environment where the rule of law, labour rights, gender equality, peace and security are respected and effective

During the year 2023, with the support of UN Women, notable progress was recorded by Côte d'Ivoire in establishing inclusive governance systems and creating an institutional environment whose gender sensitivity tends to improve although structural challenges persist. Indeed, the operationalization of Law No. 2019-870 of October 14, 2019 promoting the representation of women in elected Assemblies (Quota law) began during the local elections of September 2023 with an exceptional decision of the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC), whose awareness of gender issues was made effective with the support of UN Women, continuous press conferences of questioning and advocacy of the monitoring committee for the consideration of the gender in electoral processes (MCGEP), supported by the country office, and the mobilization of the main electoral stakeholders on the need for harmonization of the quota law and the electoral code, obtained during a national consultation supported in May 2023 by UN Women in partnership with the National Democratic Institute. The application of this law on the quota allowed Côte d'Ivoire to record for the first time in its history an average rate of more than 30% of representation of women in local elected assemblies: 32.71% in municipal councils (compared to 15.43% in 2018) and 32.40% in regional councils (compared to 12.63% in 2018). Efforts also continued to enable Côte d'Ivoire to continue to maintain its rank as the leading African country in the operationalization of Resolution 1325. The 2nd generation of National Action Plan finalized in 2022 during a inclusive process was introduced for adoption by the Council of Ministers in 2023. The signatures necessary for scheduling this adoption at the table of the Council of Ministers were obtained in 2023 for adoption planned for the 1st guarter of 2024. It should also be noted that the level of influence of civil society organizations supported by UN Women continues to expand. Indeed, the number of processes influenced increased from 1 in 2022 to 2 in 2023. At the request of the Ministry in charge of National Cohesion, the Network of Women Peace Mediators of Côte d'Ivoire (REFEM-CI) managed, through its local awareness raising and various informal meetings, to alleviate the tensions that existed between the populations so that the resumption of local elections took place peacefully in 9 of the 10 localities affected by the protests and the cancellation of the vote, and the results accepted by the stakeholders. In terms of establishing gender-sensitive strategic documents, support was provided for the development of the National Strategy for the Development of Statistics 2023-2027. In addition, the Ministry of Women, Families and Children has accumulated its capacity to coordinate gender issues, with support from UN Women, with the production of a statistical directory in order to guide the dynamic of strengthening the gender sensitivity of public and private interventions.

OUTCOME XM-DAC-41146-CIV_D_1.2

By 2025, the UN system in Cote d`Ivoire coherently and systematically contributes to progress on gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls

The United Nations system in Côte d'Ivoire contributes to progress in gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls through constant support from UN Women. Indeed, the Gender Thematic Group, under the leadership of UN Women, has provided constant advisory support to the UNCT to intensify efforts to integrate gender into the interventions of the CCDD Results Groups, in order to increase

accountability and accountability for the implementation of commitments on equality between women and men across the United Nations system.

OUTCOME XM-DAC-41146-CIV_D_2.1

By 2025, women and girls have greater access to socio-economic and technological opportunities for their empowerment and to services for the prevention and management of all forms of violence, particularly harmful practices (UNSDCF Outome 6)

The country office has strengthened its support for improving access to socio-economic and technological opportunities for women and girls for their empowerment. Indeed, UN Women has contributed to the reduction of poverty, the improvement of food security, the economic integration of rural women and the promotion of female entrepreneurship. Thus, 21,300 rural women have increased the productivity, production, marketable surplus and competitiveness of 270 cooperatives thanks to a partnership between UN Women, the African Development Bank, the Women Entrepreneurs Finance Initiative and the International Finance Corporation aims to contribute sustainably. 200 other women entrepreneurs based in Abidjan were also supported thanks to collaboration with the African Development Bank to improve the competitiveness and performance of their businesses. Furthermore, 4 national institutions (Côte d'Ivoire SME, National Public Procurement Regulatory Authority, General Directorate of Public Procurement, Economic Operators Information Unit) have strengthened their capacities to improve the access of women and girls to socio-economic and technological opportunities.

OUTCOME XM-DAC-41146-CIV_D_3.1

By 2025, women and girls have greater access to socio-economic and technological opportunities for their empowerment, and to services for the prevention and management of all forms of violence, particularly harmful practices (UNSDCF Outcome 6)

Significant progress has been made in improving women and girls' access to services for the prevention and management of all forms of violence, particularly harmful practices. The office has in fact raised awareness among 350,000 women, girls, men and boys to effectively combat gender inequalities and strengthened national institutions to improve access for women and girls to prevention and treatment services. burden of gender-based violence. The national strategy to combat GBV (SNLVBG) is currently being revised and Parliament is committed to financing medical procedures offered to victims of violence against women and girls and to parliamentary control attentive to violence. made to women and girls.