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## Main country context and challenges

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<td><strong>50.4%</strong></td>
<td>Children are multidimensionally poor and (23%) live in monetary poverty.</td>
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<td><strong>33%</strong></td>
<td>Children under the age of 5 years are stunted.</td>
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<td><strong>206</strong></td>
<td>Women die from every 100,000 live births which is the highest maternal mortality rate in the region.</td>
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<td><strong>32.7%</strong></td>
<td>Women aged 22–24 are married or in union before 18 years old.</td>
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<td><strong>Only one in three</strong></td>
<td>Children get access to early childhood education.</td>
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Drivers and results of the country programme

01. Equity

02. Systems Strengthening

03. Voice and Agency
Implementation Strategies

Strategies are derived from lessons learned and programmatic shifts:

- Systems strengthening and capacity building
- Advocacy, communication and communication for development
- Data, evidence, innovation and knowledge management
- Partnership and engagement: public and private
- Emergency preparedness and response
Informed by the global strategic plan the CPD is derived from:
CPD development process

- **December**: CPD launch meeting with Government
- **January**: PSN consultation with Regional Office
- **February**: PSN finalization
- **March**: CPD and UNSDCF Alignment
- **April**: Consultations with Government, UNRC, RD/RO, ExBo members resident in Lao PDR, UN AFPs, CSOs, NGOs, and Private sector
- **May**: CPD approval and endorsement from Government, UNRC, RD/RO, and partners

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2020

- UNSDCF results statements
- UN capacity assessment

2021

- UN capacity assessment
- UNSDCF draft

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CPD Budget

Regular resources (10 730)

Other resources (95 000)

Total (105 730)

(In thousands of United States dollars)
Thank you.