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Cover page photo: A sunset view in Vang Vieng with settlements along the Nam Song River

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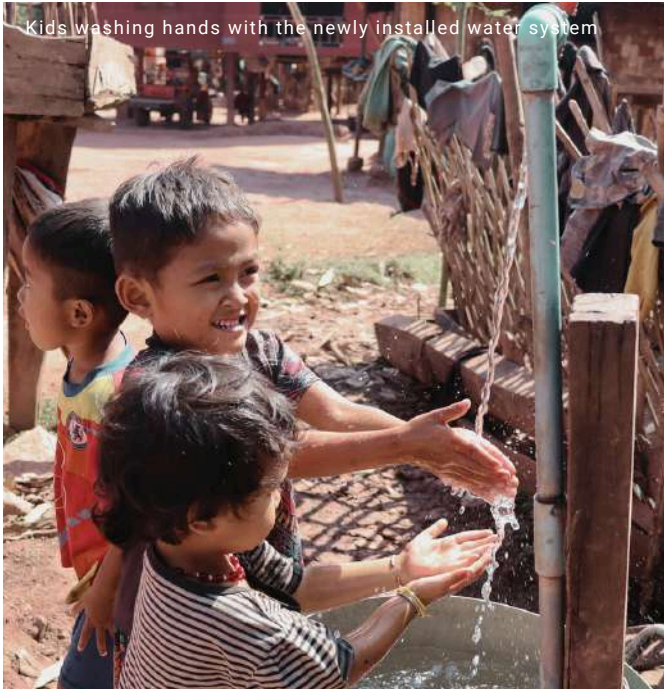
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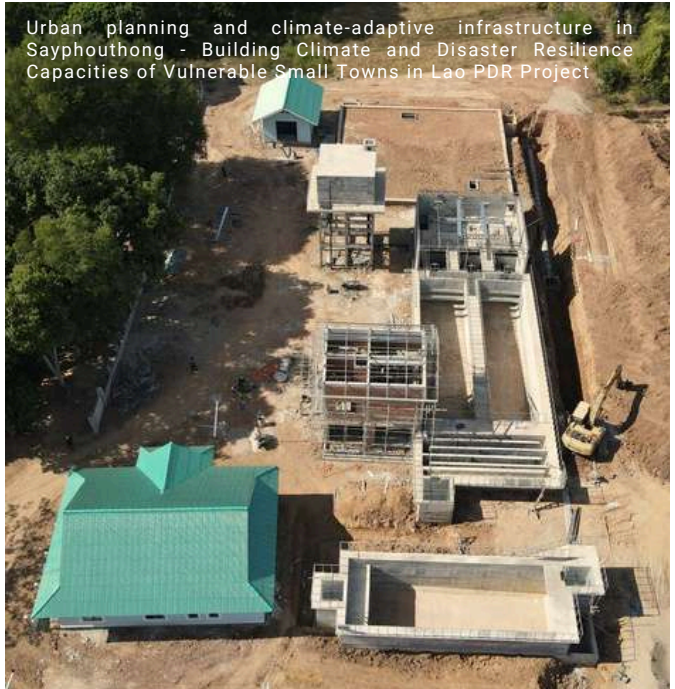
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Results at a Glance



People's Wellbeing

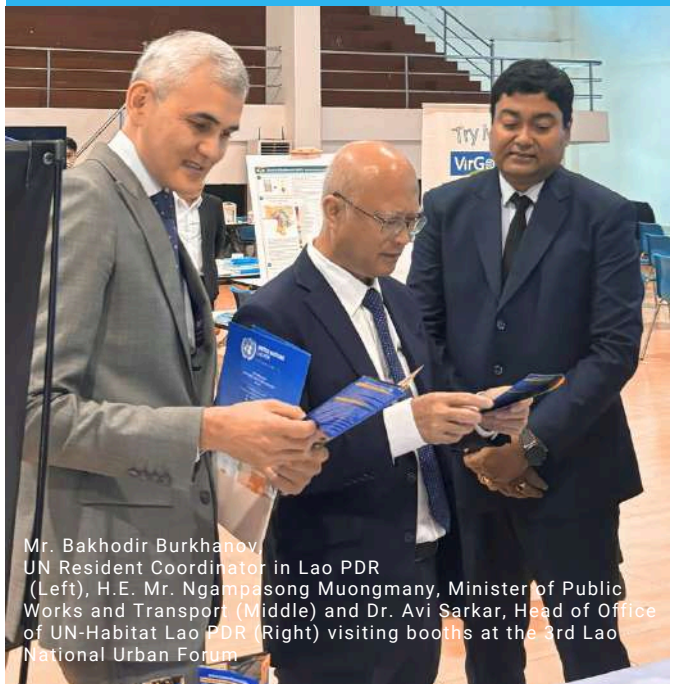


Inclusive Prosperity

Environment, Climate Change & Resilience



Governance & Rule of Law



Total 396,144 Beneficiaries


People's Wellbeing

LEAD
of Shelter
Output Group 

MEMBER
of WASH
Output Group 

241,000
Beneficiaries


Inclusive Prosperity

LEAD
of Urban Development
Output Group 

83,000
Beneficiaries


Environment, Climate Change & Resilience

LEAD
of Environment,
Climate Change &
Resilience
Results Group 

57,144
Beneficiaries


Governance &
Rule of Law

MEMBER
of Gender Equality,
Women's Empowerment,
& Human Rights
Output Group 

15,000
Beneficiaries

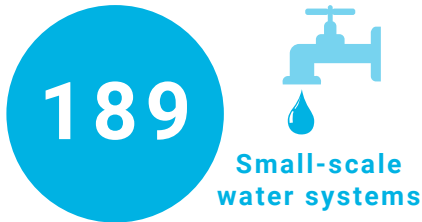
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Basic Services - WASH

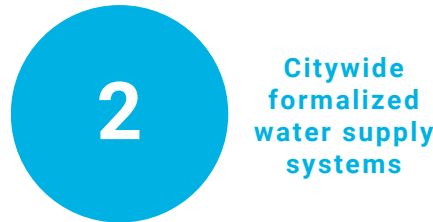


UN-Habitat implemented activities in a continuum of settlements: from large cities to emerging urban areas to remote rural areas.

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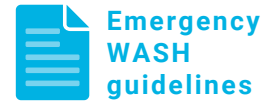


in Attapeu, Sekong, & Salavan Provinces



in Savannakhet Province

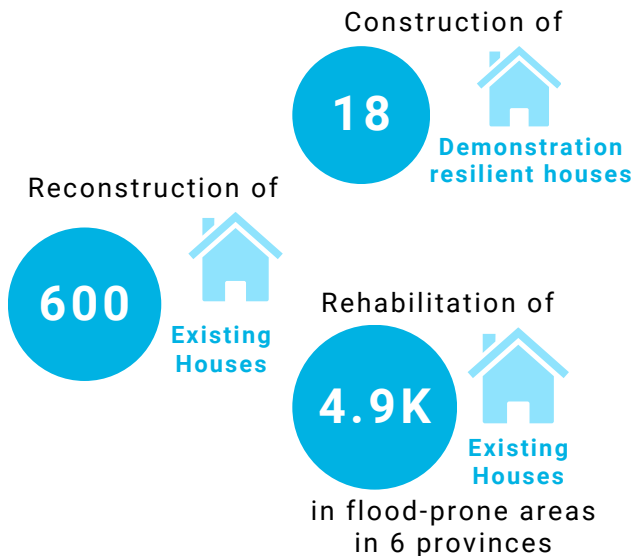
Developed and got endorsed



Shelter

UN-Habitat is supporting the planning of houses, including:

PLANNING



Supported Housing Law

Sensitized Lao National Assembly Representatives

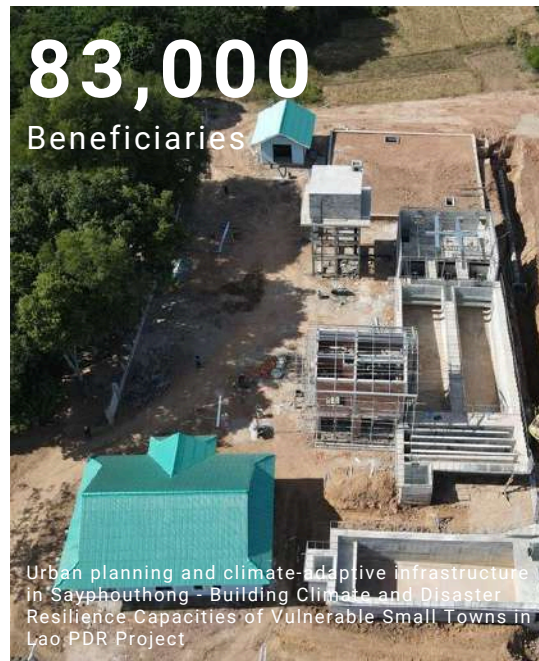
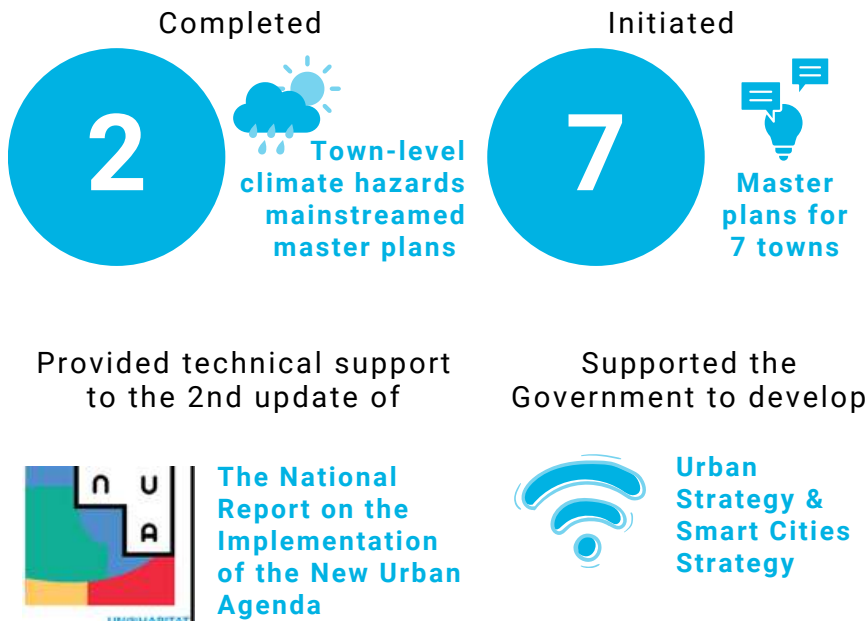
Nominated as a Co-Lead of the Shelter cluster of the IACP

Results Group 2: Inclusive Prosperity

Urban Development



URBAN PLANNING



Results Group 3: Governance & Rule of Law

Gender Equality, Women's Empowerment, & Human Rights



INFRASTRUCTURE



Results Group 4: Environment, Climate Change & Resilience



PLANNING & INFRASTRUCTURE

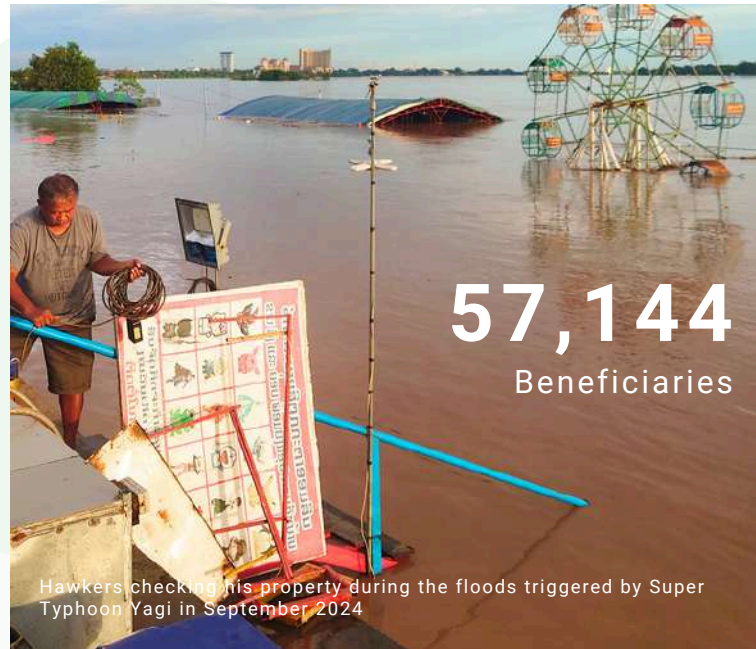
UN-Habitat led the UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF) Results group on Environment, Climate Change, and Resilience Development, contributing to the efforts of climate adaptation at national, sub-national and community level, including:

Supported **Capacity building** for the Government staff on

Climate change vulnerabilities and risk assessment

Designed **Training for carpenters** to design/build

Climate-resilient houses



57,144
Beneficiaries

Hawkers checking his property during the floods triggered by Super Typhoon Yagi in September 2024

Through UN-Habitat’s intervention, two towns in Savannakhet province – Sayphouthong and Sethamuak, have developed town-level master plans to guide sustainable growth while integrating climate resilience into development.



Mrs. Davone Xaisoulian, District Governor of Sayphouthong being interviewed during the field visit in Sayphouthong Town, Savannakhet Province

– Mrs. Davone Xaisoulian,
District Governor of Sayphouthong

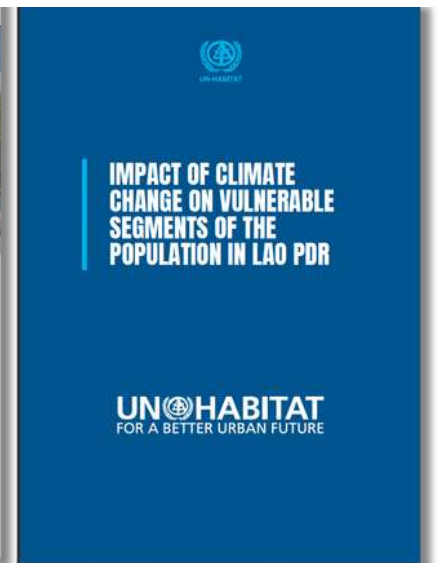
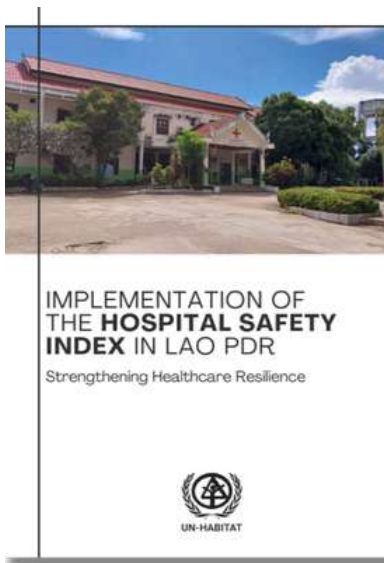
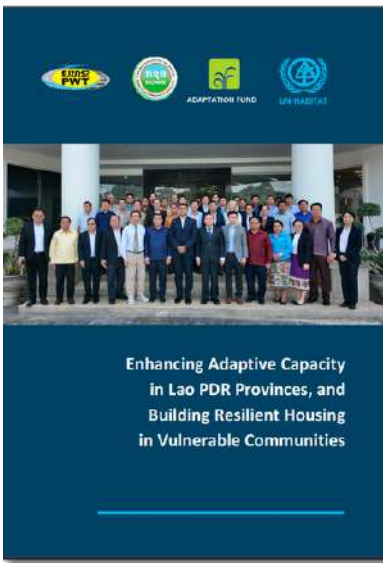
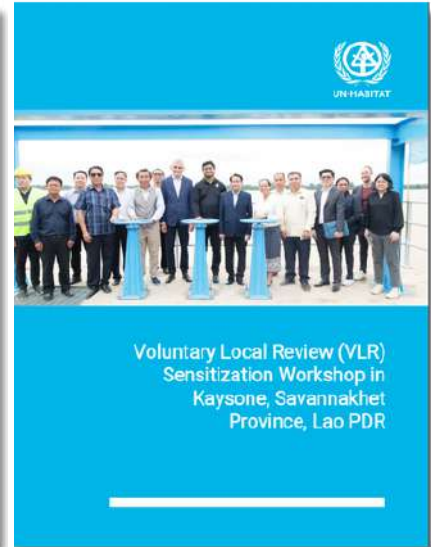
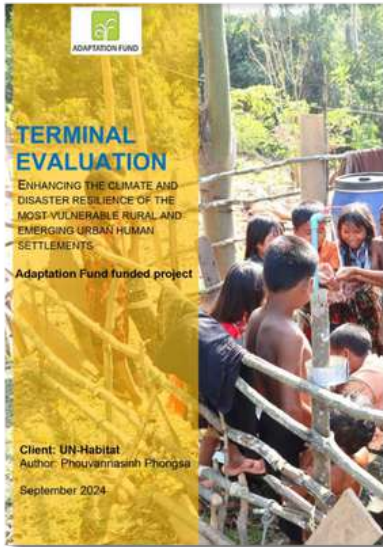


*I am proud to contribute to the development of climate-resilient infrastructure in Sayphouthong and Sethamuak towns. Once operational, this water system will **lay the groundwork for climate resilience, drive economic growth, and support sustainable urbanization.** It will play a vital role in enhancing access to clean water and essential services for the residents of these rapidly growing communities.*

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Publicity & Outreach



Six key publications from UN-Habitat in Lao PDR, available for download at www.unhabitat.la

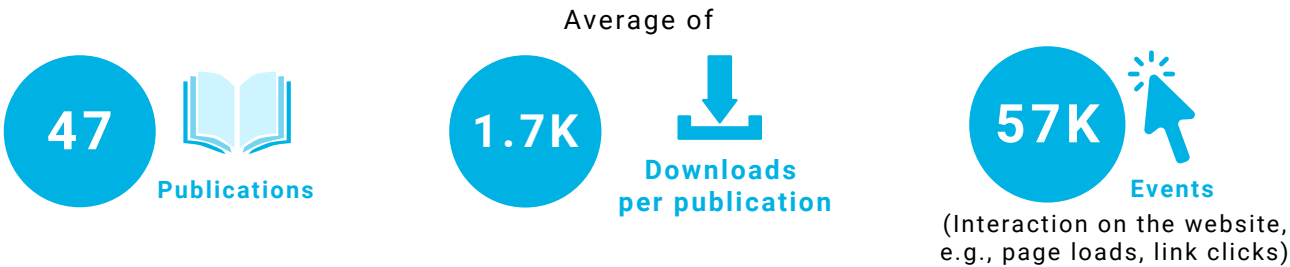
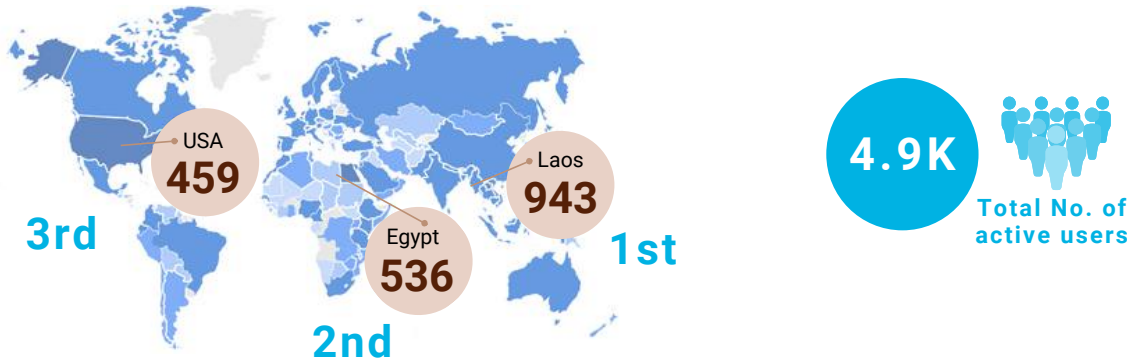


Three major UN-Habitat press releases featured in the Vientiane Times in Lao PDR, 2024



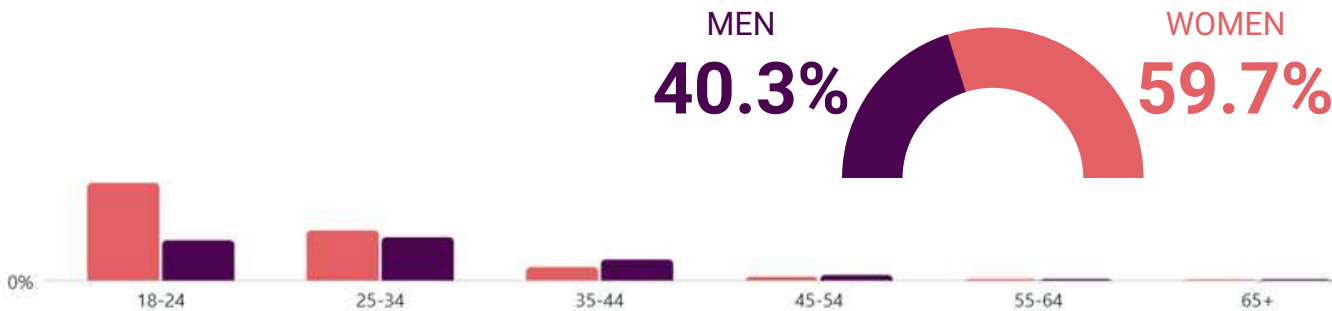
Website www.unhabitat.la

No. of Active Users by Country (2024)



Facebook

Facebook User Demographics by Age Group



Impact Stories



A villager is enjoying the benefits of the newly installed small-scale water supply system

Enhancing the climate and disaster resilience of the most vulnerable rural and emerging urban human settlements in Lao PDR

UN-Habitat has worked on enhancing the climate and disaster resilience of the most vulnerable human settlements in three southern provinces of Lao PDR. **Small-scale water supply systems** have been established to provide clean water resources for residents in villages and to support sanitation facilities.

As part of the project, UN-Habitat organized a **functionality check** to evaluate whether the built or improved small-scale water supply systems are still functioning properly or if there are any challenges or difficulties since being handed over to the villages for use.



Small-scale water supply systems in 189 settlements - Strengthening climate and disaster resilience for the most vulnerable rural and emerging urban communities in Lao PDR



*Before, having a toilet was a challenge as it was too difficult to carry water from the river. Now that we can access water easily, **every household has a toilet.***

*Many families have started to build toilets since the connection of water to their house. We aim to achieve **100% of household have at least a toilet within 2024.***

– Mr. Bounka, Kamuan Village Chief



LAO NATIONAL URBAN FORUM



Ribbon-cutting Ceremony of the 3rd Lao National Urban Forum

The 3rd Lao National Urban Forum

UN-Habitat, along with the Ministry of Public Works and Transport and the National University of Laos, organized the 3rd Lao National Urban Forum (LNUF) on 09-13 December 2024, aiming to provide a dynamic platform to promote **sustainable urban development** in Lao PDR, by fostering dialogue and collaboration among diverse stakeholders.



LNUF2024 Banner designed by Kanchanaphone (Natalie) Latthida, edited by UN-Habitat in Lao PDR



H.E. Mr. Ngampasong Muongmany, Minister of Public Works and Transport



Mr. Bakhodir Burkhanov, UN Resident Coordinator in Lao PDR



Video message from Ms. Anacláudia Roszbach, Executive-Director of UN-Habitat



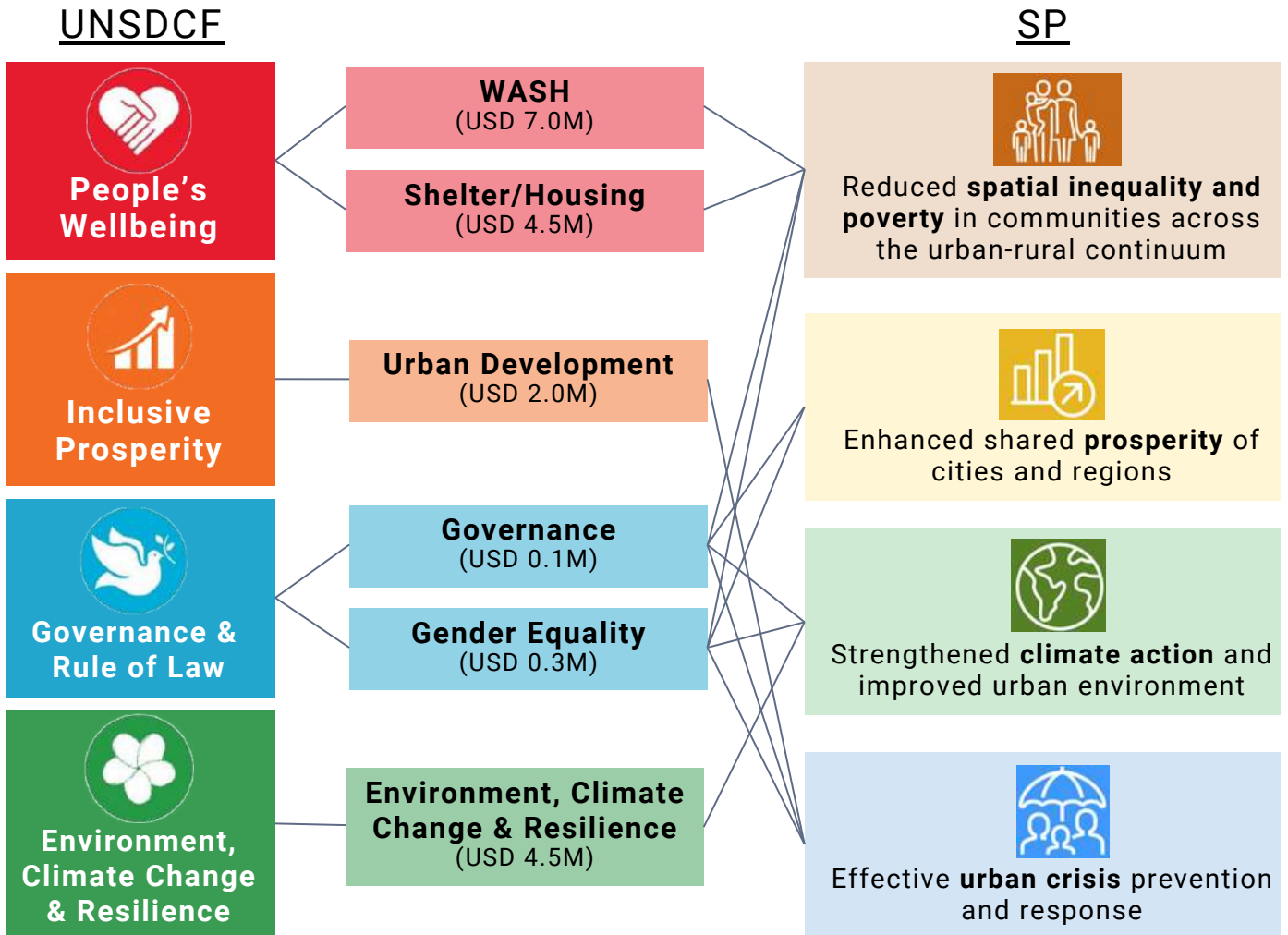
Video message from Ms. Kazuko Ishigaki, Asia and the Pacific Regional Representative of UN-Habitat



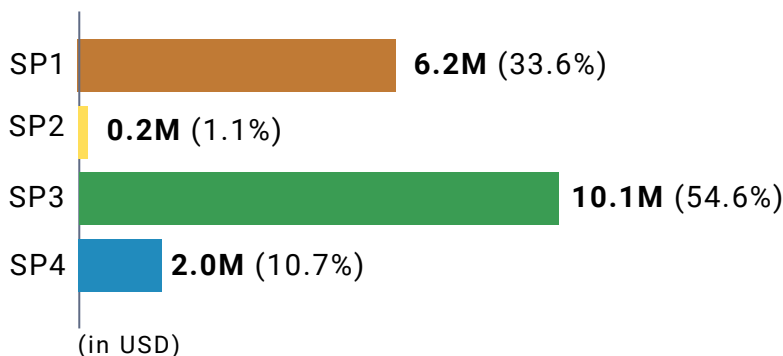
Audience and speakers at one of the 17 Thematic Sessions

Link to UNSDCF and SP

*UNSDCF: Lao PDR - United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework 2022-2026
 SP: UN-Habitat Strategic Plan



Budget Overview



Total
USD 18.4M



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