PROJECT FACTSHEET

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Addressing Gender-biased Sex Selection and Related Harmful Practices in South Caucasus



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Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia

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Implementer:
UNFPA

Project description:

The Global Programme to Address Son Preference and Gender-biased Sex Selection is the largest multi-country programme supported by the European Union, the Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD) and the United Nations Fund Population Fund (UNFPA) to end the practice of GBSS.

In the South Caucasus region, the programme is implemented by UNFPA in Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia in collaboration with governments, academic and research institutions, service providers, civil society and communities. Programme interventions are geared towards expanding the overall knowledge about drivers and consequences of GBSS, and addressing social norms that discriminate women and attribute a lower value to daughters.

By enhancing the overall value of women and girls in the society, through gender transformative results, the programme contributes to the global achievement of SDG5.

Expected results:

- Coordination and oversight management strengthened.
- Explored the contextual realities that underlie sex selection and its interconnectedness with other harmful practices.
- Indicators for tracking change and the impact of interventions developed and used.
- Improved social and cultural patterns of behavior that are based on the idea of the valuing of girl.
- Multi-stakeholder and multi-sectoral national and regional capacity for advocacy, development, implementation and monitoring and evaluation of policies and programmes to address sex selection are strengthened.