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# The European Union Support to Egypt's National Population Strategy



## Year 2 in Review

April 1, 2019 - March 31, 2020



- **103 warehouses** refurbished in 15 governorates



- **1299 Primary Healthcare (PHC) nurses** trained



- **615 physicians** trained



- **527 service providers** trained on youth-friendly services



- **4765 outreach workers** trained



- **2260 service providers** trained at Women Health Clubs (WHCs)



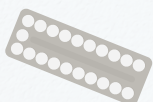
- **22 family planning (FP) clinics** from 3 governorates awarded the logo of excellence (El-Wessam)



- **283 Religious leaders** trained

## • YOUR RIGHT TO PLAN

**810,114** women reached with FP methods



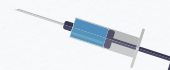
**Pills**  
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**IUDs**  
**71718**



**Condoms**  
**109234**



**Injectable**  
**148099**



**Implants**  
**26631**



- The EU support to Egypt's National Population Strategy project carried out the following interventions under each of its outcomes



## Outcome 1

### FP services including contraceptive commodities scaled-up and more accessible (supply-side).



- Supported the development of the National Costed Implementation Plan (2019-2023) for FP in close collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Population (MOHP)/ FP sector. The plan is a multi-year actionable roadmap designed to help the government achieve its FP goals.

- Strengthened the supply chain management through improving the Reproductive Health Commodity Security:
- Developed the national standards operating procedures (SOPs) for FP Logistics Management Information System (LMIS) using a participatory approach: UNFPA conducted an LMIS designing workshop that was attended by participants from all levels of supply chain system, finance and procurement sectors within the MOHP as well as the participants from the Egyptian Pharmaceutical Company.
- Refurbished 103 warehouses in 15 governorates while community-based distribution of FP methods, services and counseling were supported namely in Assiut, Alexandria, Aswan, Beheira, Beni Suef, Cairo, Fayoum, Gharbeya, Ismalia, Luxor, Minya, Qaliubiya, Qena, Sharqeya, and Sohag.



- Built the capacity of service providers through updating the guidelines and medical standards of practice in FP along with training manuals and curricula for training for service providers. 615 physicians were trained on sub-dermal implant and related eligibility, along with 287 FP directors, and health supervisors and on infection control, clinical management in FP clinics across the country.

- Integrated primacy healthcare (PHC) services with FP by orienting service providers, including 699 PHC nurses, from both sectors and arming them with a comprehensive training package, as well as by integrated FP services into routine immunization services in the extended postpartum period.







- UNFPA has procured FP commodities, which included:
  - **11,187,072 condoms**
  - **236,944 Implanon,**
  - **1,000,000 vials of Depoprovera**
- complemented by a national distribution plan.

The table below describes the expected health impact of the procured commodities.

## Total annual impacts

### Expected demographic impacts

Unintended pregnancies averted	<b>219,108</b>
Live births averted	<b>73,295</b>
Abortions averted	<b>121,880</b>

### Expected health impacts

Maternal deaths averted	<b>58</b>
Child deaths averted	<b>540</b>
unsafed abortion averted	<b>86,332</b>

### Expected couple years of protection

Total couple years of protection **935,543**

- In order to integrate youth-friendly services into PHC Centers, **527 service providers** were trained on the necessary knowledge and skills to offer services suitable and appealing for young people complemented by an updated training manual and curriculum.



- Outreach campaigns were launched across the country under the title “Your Right to Plan,” offering FP services to women and whereby trained outreach workers accompany the mobile clinics.



- Continued to revitalize and refurbish WHCs in FP clinics, and build the capacity of **2260** of its supervisors, as well as hold awareness raising sessions on FP, that reached a total of **12,977** women.
- Launched **El-Wessam**, the award system promoting excellence in provision of FP services, whereby **22** FP clinics from Sohag, Assuit and Alexandria were awarded the logo of excellence

## Outcome 2

Youth and population in reproductive age educated on FP, public awareness on the value of smaller family sized raised (demand-side)

Five rounds of Destination Egypt



reaching **6,524** young people

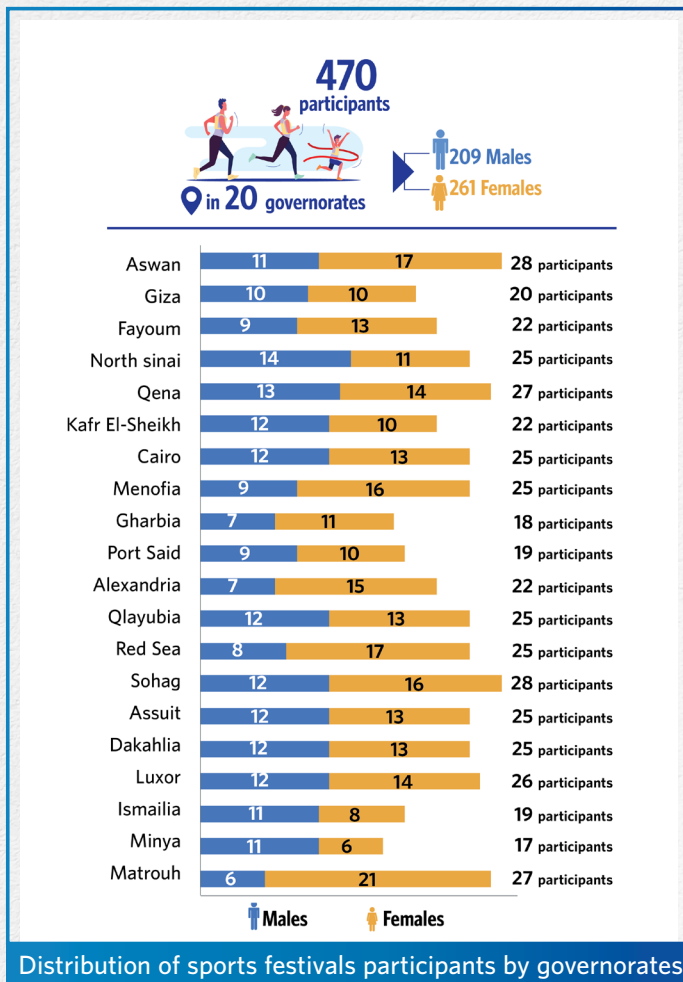
- Five rounds of Destination Egypt reaching **6,524** young people were held in Luxor, Minya, Fayoum, Ismailia and Beni Suef, bringing together young people for three-day activities, providing them with messages on population issues including small family size, sexual and reproductive, health and GBV.



## 20 sports festivals



- Supported **20** sports festivals in **20** governorates, including a 3-day training aiming at providing young people with sports techniques and skills on how to organize sports days and build their capacity in disseminating messages on reproductive health and small family size. The participants then successfully organized another **77** sports days in **20** governorates.



## 108 NGOs in 10 governorates



- The Ministry of Social Solidarity (MOSS) contracted **108** NGOs in 10 governorates with the highest fertility and poverty rates. The NGOs implemented **342,000** door-to-door visits, **408** seminars per month, and provided.



**110** Muslim religious and  
**173** Christian religious  
leaders

- Al-Azhar and BLESS also worked to raise the awareness of religious/ community leaders (**110** Muslim religious leaders trained and **173** Christian religious leaders) on population and FP issues.



## **Outcome 3**

## **Institutional capacities for monitoring and coordination of the implementation of the NPS strengthened (population governance)**

- Discussion is ongoing with the National Population Council (NPC) and Ministry of Local Development to secure kicking off the activities of this outcome namely in what relates to the establishment of the National Population Strategy monitoring and reporting system, as well as the establishment of Task forces.

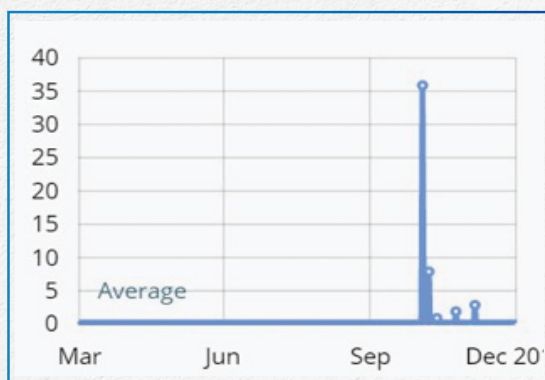
### **Steering Committee meeting**

The first meeting of the Steering Committee of the project took place at the Ministry of Investment and International Cooperation in July 2019. The meeting brought together representatives from all project partners including the Ministry of Education, the MOHP, the MOSS, the Ministry of Youth and Sports, and the NPC. UNFPA presented the project as well as its first year achievements.

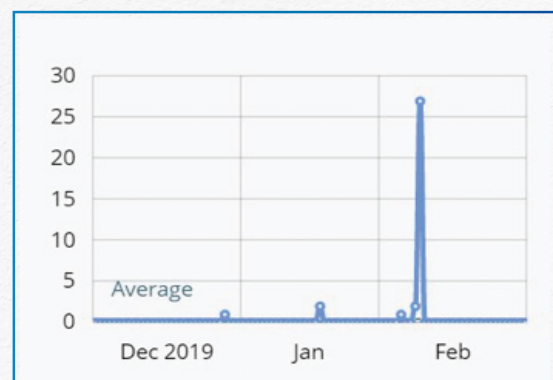
### **EU Support to Egypt's National Population Strategy in the media**

The EU Support to Egypt's National Population Strategy was mentioned **83** times in the media. The coverage reached a potential **1,421,665** readers.

The EU Support to Egypt's National Population Strategy project was mentioned on UNFPA's social media platforms 117 times during the period between April 1, 2019-March 31, 2020, with an average post reaching over **4500** users.



Coverage April 1 2019 - December 31, 2019



Coverage January 1, 2020 - March 31, 2020

**Source: Agility\***

- The below shows a social media post highlighting the field visit to Sohag. The post reached **4496** users.

#هل\_تظن أن معدل الخصوبة في سوهاج انخفض من 4.30 في عام 2014 إلى 4.01 في عام 2018؟  
اليوم احتفالاً بـ #اليوم\_العالمي\_لتنظيم\_الأسرة ، منحت وزارة الصحة والسكان الوسام لـ 9 عيادات لتنظيم الأسرة في سوهاج، كجزء من مشروع الاستراتيجية الوطنية للسكان، بدعم من صندوق الأمم المتحدة للسكان ووفد الاتحاد الأوروبي في مصر.

that Sohag's fertility rate decreased from 4.30 in 2014 to 4.01 #DidYouKnow  
See More ... ?in 2018

Get More Likes, Comments and Shares  
When you boost this post, you'll show it to more people.

**4,496** People Reached      **512** Engagements      [Boost Post](#)

**89** Reactions, Comments & Shares

<b>61</b> Like	<b>34</b> On Post	<b>27</b> On Shares
<b>12</b> Love	<b>5</b> On Post	<b>7</b> On Shares
<b>2</b> Wow	<b>2</b> On Post	<b>0</b> On Shares
<b>5</b> Comments	<b>2</b> On Post	<b>3</b> On Shares
<b>9</b> Shares	<b>9</b> On Post	<b>0</b> On Shares

**423** Post Clicks

<b>136</b> Photo Views	<b>0</b> Link Clicks	<b>287</b> Other Clicks
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## ● EU, UNFPA and MoHP delegation visits

In order to follow up on the progress of the project, a delegation from the EUD, UNFPA and the MOHP conducted three field visits to three governorates, namely Sohag, Alexandria and Aswan in September, October and February respectively.

In Sohag, the delegation visited a FP clinic, a family health unit and met with the governor, as well as participated in an award ceremony where medical, health, administrative personnel were awarded a certificate along with families from Sohag who opted for a small family size.

In Alexandria, the delegation, headed by Head of the EUD to Egypt Ivan Surkos, and visited a FP clinic and awarded it with the Wessam logo.

The delegation was accompanied by a group of local and international journalists in Aswan, where they visited a family health unit and interviewed service providers, reviewed the clinic's stock of contraceptives, and interviewed the head of the Kom Ombo health directorate.