

independent review missions. The disbursement request along with a self-assessment report based on proven progress and data for year N shall be submitted by the MoEF indicatively by end of Q2 of year N+1 annually.

The statistical and monitoring systems as well as the quality of official data in the policy field covered have been assessed. This assessment has fed into the design of the action as follows:

The Development Partners, incl. IMF, reported that statistics data provision is adequate for surveillance. It is also noticed that Kyrgyzstan has developed gender-disaggregated statistics enabling to routinely assess progress. Moreover, the recently launched WB-funded Tax Administration and Statistical System Modernisation Project (USD 35 million, 2021-2025) to operationalise the newly adopted Law on Official Statistics and associated regulatory reforms, digitalise administrative data, modernise IT system, improve interoperability of government systems, streamline business process for greater data utilisation and strengthen capacity will bring statistics services up to international standards.

There are also additional institutions responsible for collecting, compiling and disseminating macroeconomic and other statistics such as the MoEF and the National Bank. They have legal and institutional environments that support statistical quality, and their respective staff are well-versed in data collection and analysis. When it comes to education-related data-collection, the MoES has been addressing this issue through the development of EMIS. The database is an internet-based and partially operational. It has different levels of access for MoES staff, school staff, donors and general public. The population of EMIS has been progressed and is now an integral part of inter-agency electronic/interoperability system "Tunduk", which connects all state bodies for data collection, exchange and reporting. The MoES intends to continue efforts to develop a robust education management information system, which will allow for more complete, accurate and timely data for decision-making at all levels.

5.2. Evaluation

Having regard to the nature of the action, a final evaluation will be carried out for this action or its components via independent consultants contracted by the Commission.

It will be carried out for accountability and learning purposes at various levels (including for policy revision), taking into account in particular the fact that this programme includes combination of the Budget support and Twinning modality.

The evaluation of this action may be performed individually or through a joint strategic evaluation of budget support operations carried out with the partner country, other budget support providers and relevant stakeholders.

The Commission shall inform the implementing partner at least 30 days in advance of the dates envisaged for the evaluation missions. The implementing partner shall collaborate efficiently and effectively with the evaluation experts, and inter alia provide them with all necessary information and documentation, as well as access to the project premises and activities.

The evaluation reports shall be shared with the partner country and other key stakeholders following the best practice of evaluation dissemination²⁰. The implementing partner and the Commission shall analyse the conclusions and recommendations of the evaluations and, where appropriate, in agreement with the partner country, jointly decide on the follow-up actions to be taken and any adjustments necessary, including, if indicated, the reorientation of the project.

Evaluation services may be contracted under a framework contract.

5.3. Audit and Verifications

Without prejudice to the obligations applicable to contracts concluded for the implementation of this action, the Commission may, on the basis of a risk assessment, contract independent audit or verification assignments for one or several contracts or agreements.

²⁰ See best [practice of evaluation dissemination](#)