



# Namibia

## Summary of country engagement at SWA

Namibia joined the SWA partnership in 2019. Through the government led multi stakeholder processes, the government of Namibia's Constitution recognize access to WASH services as basic human rights, and government therefore adopted several policies and strategies to address WASH services. Through the Namibia's 5th National Development Plan; Namibia has a vision of achieving by 2022; Namibian households have improved sanitation increasing from 28% in 2016 to 40% in rural areas and from 77% in 2016 to 87% in urban areas, Namibia has a sustainable production and consumption of water resources resulting in improved access to safe drinking water for human consumption and for industry use. Namibia track progress through the Joint Annual Plan Review and five-year WASH survey.

## Commitments by the government

No commitments

## Commitments by partners

Commitment	Body / Organizations	Target Year	Progress Description	Constituency	Progress
UNICEF advocate with line ministries to create a strong enabling environment in addressing the elimination of Open Defecation by 2021.	UNICEF	2021		External Support Agencies	75%

Commitment	Body / Organizations	Target Year	Progress Description	Constituency	Progress
UNICEF will strengthen capacity of the line ministries to up-scale the elimination of open defecation in rural areas and informal settlements through community engagement in Community-Led Total Sanitation by 2020.	UNICEF	2021		External Support Agencies	Reviewing progress
UNICEF will support the development of water supply and information system to ensure the availability and use of disaggregated data by 2021.	UNICEF	2021		External Support Agencies	Reviewing progress

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