

ACTION PLAN
for 2021-2022 on the implementation of the National Strategy on Preventing and Combating Trafficking in Human Beings for
2018-2023

Activities	Responsible institutions	Partners	Deadlines	Costs, th lei/financing source		Indicators	Achievements for 2022
				budgetary sources of public authorities	other sources		
Section 1							
GENERAL SUPPORT MEASURES							
1.1. Coordination of activities to prevent and combat trafficking in human beings							
General objective 1: Ensure the implementation of the national policy on preventing and combating trafficking in human beings based on efficient coordination and strengthened cooperation with implementing partners							
Specific objective 1.1: Develop partnerships between state institutions, non-commercial and international organizations and other stakeholders to ensure a coordinated and efficient response in preventing and combatting trafficking in human beings							
1.1.1. Conclusions of cooperation agreements between different anti-trafficking stakeholders at the national level	Ministry of Internal Affairs	State Chancellery; General Prosecutor's Office; Development partners	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of concluded agreements; Number of carried out joint actions/ activities; Number of implemented projects	<u>Fulfilled</u> During the reporting period, 1 cooperation agreement was signed.
1.1.2. Assignment of anti-trafficking reporting role (national rapporteur)	State Chancellery		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (Performed analysis; Amended	<u>Partially fulfilled</u> In 2020, the international expert carried out the "Evaluation of the capacity of

				it relates to functional competences)		regulatory framework; established assignment	the Permanent Secretariat Directorate of the State Chancellery of the Republic of Moldova to coordinate anti-trafficking polies and the feasibility of establishing the position of National Rapporteur in the anti-trafficking area in Moldova” http://www.antitrafic.gov.md/libview.php?l=ro&idc=32&id=1359&t=/Raportul/Ale-partenerilor-internationali/Evaluarea-capacitatii-Directiei-Secretariete-Permanente-a-Cancelariei-de-Stat-a-Republicii-Moldova-de-coordonarea-politicilor-anti-traffic-i-fezabilitatii-instituirii-pozitiei-Raportorului-National-in-domeniul-anti-traffic-in-Moldova During 2021-2022 the regulatory framework in this regard has not been amended.
1.1.3. Strengthen cooperation with territorial commissions for combating trafficking in human beings, involving civil society organizations at local level	State Chancellery	Local public authorities (territorial commissions for combatting trafficking in human beings)	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of organized workshops; Number of provided consultations; Number of organized joint events; Number of disseminated information materials; Filled in questionnaire on needs’ assessment	<u>Fulfilled</u> During July-October 2022, a number of 5 workshops were organized for 125 representatives of the Territorial Commissions for Combating THB “Identifying cases of trafficking in human beings in the context of mixed migration flows. Risks and vulnerabilities of refugees and displaced persons in the context of the war in Ukraine”.

1.2. Legal and regulatory framework							
General objective 2: Regulate relations in the field of preventing and combatting trafficking in human beings in line with the principles of respect for human rights and equal opportunities for women and men							
Specific objective 2.1: Improve the regulatory framework for the effective coordination of activities to prevent and combat trafficking in human beings and to provide assistance and protection to victims and alleged victims of trafficking in human beings							
2.1.1. Revision of the regulatory framework for the work of the National Committee for Combatting Trafficking in Human Beings and the Permanent Secretariat based on the recommendations of the capacity assessment of the Permanent Secretariats Division (Law No. 241/2005 on Preventing and Combatting Trafficking in Human Beings and Government Decision No. 472/2008 on the approval of the composition of the National Committee for Combatting Trafficking in Human Beings and the Regulation of the National Committee)	State Chancellery	International Organization for Migration Mission; Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Mission; International Centre “La Strada”	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Draft law approved by the Government; Adopted Government Decision; Number of organized consultative meetings	<u>Not fulfilled</u>
2.1.2. Analysis and proposal to amend art. 89 of the Contravention Code of the Republic of Moldova No. 218/2008, by reducing the penalties for the offence of practicing prostitution and increasing the penalties for persons benefiting from these services	Ministry of Justice; Ministry of Internal Affairs; General Prosecutor’s Office		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Amended Contravention Code of the Republic of Moldova No. 218/2008	<u>Fulfilled</u> Law No. 102 of 14.04.2022 amended the Contravention Code of the Republic of Moldova. Amendments were made to art. 89 of the Contravention Code “Practicing prostitution”, reducing the penalties for the offence of practicing prostitution and increasing the penalties for persons benefiting from these services.
Specific objective 2.2: Improve the regulatory framework to criminalize all forms of trafficking in human beings							

and establish appropriate penalties						
2.2.1. Carry out an analysis of the components of offences criminalizing trafficking in persons and children, and other forms of exploitation in terms of determining the need to criminalize new forms of exploitation and the size of the established penalties, if necessary by amending the legal framework	General Prosecutor's Office; Ministry of Justice; Ministry of Internal Affairs	International Centre "La Strada"	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Carried out analysis; Amended regulatory framework <u>In progress</u> The General Prosecutor's Office developed 2 draft laws, which are in process of finalization and promotion: - amendment of art.175/1 and art.208/1 of the Criminal Code, in order to harmonize national legislation with the provisions of the Lanzarote Convention; - amendment of art.165 and art.206, art.207 of the Criminal Code, as regards penalties for the offences of trafficking in human beings and trafficking in children.
2.2.2. Conduct analysis of the forms and methods of recruitment and exploitation in the digital environment and, where appropriate, submit proposals to amend the existing regulatory framework	Ministry of Internal Affairs; General Prosecutor's Office	International Centre "La Strada"	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Established working group; Produced analytical report; Amended regulatory framework <u>In progress</u> MIA Division for Crime Prevention and Control Policies has created a joint working group with the participation of representatives of the General Prosecutor's Office and General Police Inspectorate. As part of the continuous assistance to the Moldovan authorities, as of 1 January 2022, the Council of Europe (CoE) launched a new project on "Protection of children against and prevention of violence, including online violence in the Republic of Moldova". The project focuses on the protection and promotion of children's rights in the online environment and also addresses the protection of children against violence, including child sexual abuse and exploitation, and the prevention of violence between children. The project has a duration of 24 months and will be completed by 31

							December 2023.
1.3. Building specialists' professional capacities							
General objective 3: Build the professional capacities of specialists in order to effectively promote policy to prevent and combat trafficking in human beings							
Specific objective 3.1: Continuous training of law enforcement specialists in the application of the legal framework, investigation, prosecution and adjudication of cases of trafficking in human beings							
3.1.1. Joint training of border police officers, specialists of the Migration and Asylum Bureau, community police officers and labour inspectors on how to respond effectively to cases of human trafficking	Ministry of Internal Affairs; Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (State Labour Inspectorate)	International Organization for Migration Mission; International Centre "La Strada"	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2021 – 34,0 th lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission	Number of trained specialists; Number of carried out trainings	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, 9 joint trainings were organized in the field of trafficking in human beings, during which 267 employees of the MIA were trained.
3.1.2. Organization of training for Border Police employees at state border crossing points on identification of victims of trafficking in human beings	Ministry of Internal Affairs		June 2022	2021 – 30,0 th / Ministry of Internal Affairs (General Border Police Inspectorate)		Number of carried out trainings; Number of trained specialists	<u>Fulfilled</u> During the reporting period, 12 trainings were organized and conducted for the employees of the GBPI from the state border crossing points in the field of trafficking in human beings, during which 558 border guards were trained.
3.1.3. Organization of workshops on the subject of the work of joint investigation teams on issued related to trafficking in human beings	Ministry of Internal Affairs; General Prosecutor's Office		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of organized workshops; Number of established joint investigation teams and performed operations	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, MIA employees participated in joint investigation teams in 5 workshops and 2 international operations. At the same time, on 08.06.2022, the first coordination meeting was held between representatives of law enforcement agencies of the Republic of Moldova, Republic of Italy and Hungary on the investigation of human trafficking actions of an organized criminal group, attended by 2 employees of the CCTP. <i>(Initiative to sign an agreement on the</i>

							<i>establishment of a joint investigation team with counterparts from Italy and Hungary).</i>
3.1.4. Strengthening the institutional and professional capacities of the staff of the Centre for Combatting Trafficking in Persons in investigating cases of trafficking in human beings	Ministry of Internal Affairs (Centre for Combatting Trafficking in Persons)	International Organization for Migration Mission	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2021 – 200,0 th lei, 2022 - 200,0 th lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission	Number of trained specialists; Produced evaluation report; Enhanced internal mechanisms/ procedures	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, 19 trainings were conducted, in which 104 employees of the CCTP participated. In addition, 80 CCTP employees participated in 57 thematic workshops, as well as 7 conferences attended by 11 employees.
3.1.5. Training prosecutors and judges in the field of combatting human trafficking and other related crimes with a victim-centered approach	National Institute of Justice	Superior Council of Magistracy; Superior Council of Prosecutors; International Organization for Migration Mission; International Centre “La Strada”	December 2021	2021 – 20,4 th lei/ National Institute of Justice	2021 – 150,0 th lei/International Organization for Migration Mission	Number of trained prosecutors and judges	<u>Fulfilled</u> Year 2021: - 2 online trainings on “Peculiarities of investigation and prosecution of crimes related to trafficking in persons and bodily elements” (86 trained persons (32 judicial assistants, 24 court clerks, 20 prosecutors’ consultants, 10 chancellery specialists) - 2 seminars on “Victims’ rights in the context of Law No. 137 on Rehabilitation and Compensation of Crime Victims” (69 trained persons (44 judges, 25 prosecutors) -2 online courses on “Peculiarities of investigating and prosecuting cases of cross-border, transnational and organized crime” (52 trained persons (17 judges, 35 prosecutors) -2 seminars on “Peculiarities of investigating and prosecuting crimes in the field of combating trafficking in human beings” (73 trained persons (32 judges, 40 prosecutors, 1 court clerk)

3.1.6. Include in the Annual Training Plan for judges/prosecutors the topic of compensation for victims of trafficking in human beings	National Institute of Justice	Superior Council of Magistracy; Superior Council of Prosecutors; International Organization for Migration Mission; Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Mission	December 2021	2021 – 20,4 th lei/ National Institute of Justice		Number of carried out training sessions / activities	<u>Fulfilled</u> SCM requested the National Institute of Justice to include the topic of compensation for victims of THB in the Training Plan for judges, which was included in the training plan for 2022, I semester.
3.1.7. Strengthen the institutional and professional capacities of criminal investigation bodies in the application of the guidelines on the inter-sectorial cooperation mechanism for the identification, assessment, referral, assistance and monitoring of child victims and potential victims of violence, neglect, exploitation and trafficking	Ministry of Internal Affairs; General Prosecutor's Office	Development partners	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of carried out trainings; Number of trained specialists	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, 9 training courses were conducted, attended by 326 employees of the MIA.
3.1.8. Training of specialists on the elimination of discrimination against women in prostitution	Council for the Prevention and Elimination of Discrimination and Equality	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; Ministry of Internal Affairs	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Carried out training activities	<u>Fulfilled</u> During the first semester of 2022, the Council organized 5 training activities in the field of preventing and combating discrimination. The beneficiaries were: court clerks - 85 persons; municipal specialists on child rights protection - 45 persons; community mediators – 34 persons.
3.1.9. Development of Guidelines for prosecutors, judges and lawyers on rehabilitation and compensation of victims of crime	National Institute of Justice; Ministry of Justice	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; Superior Council of Magistracy; Superior Council	December 2021		2021 – 20,0 th lei/ Organization for Security and	Developed guide	<u>Fulfilled</u> With the support of OSCE Mission, a Practical Guide for Justice Professionals has been developed "Crime Victims' Rights to Rehabilitation and Compensation",

		of Prosecutors; Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Mission			Cooperatio n in Europe Mission		published in 2022: https://www.osce.org/files/f/document/s/4/c/525762.pdf
Specific objective 3.2: Strengthening the capacities of the specialized unit of the General Prosecutor's Office							
3.2.1. Training prosecutors from the specialized section of the General Prosecutor's Office and officers from the Centre for Combatting Trafficking in Persons, Division of Crime Prevention and Combating Policy of the Ministry of Interior in the drafting of policy documents and analytical approach to the phenomena of trafficking in human beings, including related and similar criminal offences	General Prosecutor's Office; Ministry of Internal Affairs	International Organization for Migration Mission ; Superior Council of Prosecutors; international organizations; development partners	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2022 – 65,0 th lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission in Moldova	Number of trainings; Number of trained persons; Number of developed modules and their topics	<u>Fulfilled</u> During the reporting period, 2 training courses were conducted, in which 27 CCTP staff participated.
3.2.2. Strengthening the capacity of specialists on the dimension of conducting parallel financial investigations	General Prosecutor's Office	Ministry of Internal Affairs	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of trainings; Number of trained specialists	<u>Fulfilled</u> UNODC organized the Regional Expert Group Meeting (2-3 March 2022) on "Financial investigations and recovery of assets derived from trafficking in human beings, including compensation of victims, in South-Eastern Europe", in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. During the seminars organized by NIJ, as well as development partners (IOM, UNDOC, OSCE), participating as trainers, prosecutors addressed issued of parallel financial investigations, emphasizing their importance in the prosecution of THB cases and related crimes.

3.2.3. Analysis and proposals for improving the organization and structure of the specialized subdivisions within the General Prosecutor's Office responsible for preventing and combatting trafficking in human beings, including the appointment, secondment and termination of the status of prosecutor specialized in the field	General Prosecutor's Office; Ministry of Justice	International Centre "La Strada"	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Performed analysis, formulated proposals; Approved amendments of regulatory acts	<p><u>Fulfilled</u></p> <p>The Prosecutor's Office for Combatting Organized Crime and Special Cases (PCCOCS) conducted a study. As a result, a draft amendment to the PCCOCS Regulation with a new organizational chart was prepared, based on reasoning aimed at the need to ensure effective management of subdivisions, strengthening institutional capacities and operationalizing specific areas of activity in the context of the regulatory framework in force, in relation to the standards of effectiveness and efficiency of public administration processes.</p> <p>With regard to the work of combatting THB, it is proposed to separate the anti-trafficking and cybercrime unit, with a structural unit to be concerned only with the segment of combating THB.</p> <p>At the same time, a study was carried out on the efficiency of the activity in the General Prosecutor's Office, as a result of which the General Prosecutor's Office was reorganized with staff reductions, including the reduction of one unit in the Section on Combatting Trafficking in Human Beings.</p>
Specific objective 3.3: Conduct specialized training (prevention of trafficking in human beings) for (air, road, rail) transport staff							
3.3.1. Develop and implement a training module for air and road transport specialists to prevent trafficking in human beings	State Chancellery	Civil Aviation Authority; National Auto Transport Agency; International	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2021 – 34,0 th lei/ International Organization for	Number of annually trained persons; Developed and published module	<p><u>Fulfilled</u></p> <p>Two workshops were organized for the representatives of airline companies (flight crew staff and senior flight attendants, passenger check-in supervisors and ground</p>

		Organization for Migration Mission			Migration Mission		aviation security inspectors) on the phenomenon of trafficking in human beings in the Republic of Moldova, organized by the State Chancellery and IOM.
3.3.2. Development of information materials for specialists in the field	State Chancellery	International Organization for Migration Mission; Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Mission	June 2022		2022 – 20,0 th lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission	Number of developed and disseminated information materials	<u>Fulfilled</u> - 4100 posters and 2900 leaflets produced with the support of the OSCE Mission in English, Russian, Ukrainian and disseminated by the Permanent Secretariat of NCCTHB, - There were disseminated 2 OSCE guidelines and 1 CoE (GRETA) handbook sent to CPA on responding to the Ukrainian refugee crisis; - Relevant information materials provided to CPA in the context of the 20 th anniversary of the International Centre for Migration Policy Development (ICMPD)
Specific objective 3.4: Increasing the level of knowledge of anti-trafficking specialists in in the authorities' institutions from the level of administrative-territorial authorities							
3.4.1. Strengthening the professional capacities of members of the territorial commissions for combating trafficking in human beings in the field of assistance and protection of victims of trafficking in human beings	State Chancellery; Ministry of Labour and Social Protection	Local public authorities	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of trained specialists with competences in the field i	<u>Fulfilled</u> Under the umbrella of the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, the National Social Assistance Agency in partnership with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Mission in Moldova organized 4 thematic workshops in the context of the implementation of the Action Plan for 2022-2024 on the implementation of the Programme for the creation and development of the National Referral Mechanism for protection and assistance to victims of crime for the years 2022-2026. <i>Category of participants in the</i>

							<p><i>workshop</i> – chairperson /secretary of the Territorial Commission for preventing and combating trafficking in human beings; Head of the territorial structure of social assistance and coordinator of the territorial multidisciplinary team.</p> <p>Total participants – 91 persons (only specialists in social assistance area):</p> <p>12 October – 28 participants (representatives of local public authorities of level II, public and private social services’ providers);</p> <p>19 October – 31 participants (representatives of local public authorities of level II, public and private social services providers);</p> <p>13 December – 17 participants (representatives of local public authorities of level II, public and private social services’ providers);</p> <p>20 December – 15 participants (representatives of local public authorities of level II, public and private social services’ providers).</p>
3.4.2. Ensure training of lawyers providing state guaranteed legal aid services in the field of assistance to victims and alleged victims of trafficking in human beings, including at local level	National Council for State Guaranteed Legal Aid; National Institute of Justice	Development partners; International Organization for Migration Mission	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of carried out trainings; Number of trained lawyers	<p><u>Fulfilled</u></p> <p>In the modular plan for continuous training of lawyers providing state-guaranteed legal assistance within the National Institute of Justice for 2023, training sessions on the topic "The particularities of providing state-guaranteed legal assistance to victims of trafficking in human beings and victims of domestic violence" were included.</p> <p>In addition, in their current work the</p>

							lawyers also use the Guide for Lawyers Providing State Guaranteed Legal Assistance to Victims of Trafficking in Human Beings, developed in 2020 within the project „Strengthening the Government Response to the Phenomenon of Trafficking in Human Beings and Improving the Protection of Victims of Trafficking and Witnesses in the Republic of Moldova”.
3.4.3. Conduct joint training on preventing re-victimization and stigmatization of victims of trafficking in human beings	State Chancellery; Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; Ministry of Internal Affairs; General Prosecutor’s Office	Local public authorities; Development partners; International Organization for Migration Mission	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2022 – 34,6 th lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission	Number of carried out trainings; Number of trained specialists	<u>Fulfilled</u> In July-October 2022, 5 workshops were organized for 125 representatives of the Territorial Commissions for combating THB “Identifying cases of human trafficking in the context of mixed migration flows. Risks and vulnerabilities of refugees and displaced persons in the context of the war in Ukraine”.
3.4.4. Training of officials of diplomatic missions or consular offices of the Republic of Moldova on preventing and combating trafficking in human beings and their duties in this regard	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration	International Centre “La Strada”; International Organization for Migration Mission	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2022 – 34,6 th lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission in Moldova	Number of carried out trainings; Number of trained specialists; Number of assisted victims and alleged victims	<u>Fulfilled in 2021</u> Training course for consular officials from the diplomatic service of the Republic of Moldova on combating and preventing THB. The course covered topics related to national anti-trafficking policies, international commitments of the Republic of Moldova, the role of consular officials in the process of managing trafficking cases, provisions of international treaties etc. (45 specialists (42 from diplomatic missions and 3 from the central office of MFAEI)
3.4.5. Online training of specialists from the Forensic Medicine Centre in preventing and combating trafficking in	Forensic Medicine Centre; Ministry of Labour and	State Chancellery	June 2022		2021 – 1,6 th lei/ Forensic Medicine	Number of trained specialists; Number of	<u>Not fulfilled</u>

human beings	Social Protection				Centre	carried out trainings	
3.4.6. Training for community mediators on the prevention of human trafficking among Roma communities	Interethnic Relations Agency; State Chancellery	Local public authorities; Coalition “Voice of Roma People”	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of trained specialists; Number of carried out trainings	Not fulfilled
1.4. Collection and analysis of statistical data, research							
General objective 4: Ensure availability and accessibility of accurate and relevant statistical information and data on trafficking in human beings							
Specific objective 4.1: Ensure that the system of data and information, analysis and reports on the situation in the field and trends in trafficking in human beings is adjusted							
4.1.1. Develop profiles of victims of trafficking in human beings based on statistical forms on aspects of the situation of victims of crime with qualitative approach through <i>small data</i> analysis	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; State Chancellery; Ministry of Internal Affairs; General Prosecutor’s Office		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Profile of victims of trafficking in human beings annually elaborated	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, 65 victims of trafficking in human beings were assisted in the Centres for Assistance and Protection of Victims of Trafficking in Human Beings, financed from the state budget, including 49 adult victims (30 women and 19 men) and 16 minor victims (girls). Statistical data are collected according to the Victims Form monitoring sheets (art. 165 and art. 206 Criminal Code).
4.1.2. Update of specific instructions on the procedure of analysis/monitoring of the situation of trafficking in human beings	Ministry of Internal Affairs	International Organization for Migration Mission	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2022 – 30,0 th lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission	Updated instructions; Number of organized trainings on the use of instructions	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, specific Instructions on the procedure of analysis/monitoring of the situation of trafficking in human beings have been updated, by presenting the new Methodology of analysis of cases of trafficking in human beings in the CCTP reports, in the framework of 2 training workshops, organized on 21.06.2022 and 30.06.2022, in the framework of the

							project „Contribution to a strengthened law enforcement and policy-making response to trafficking in human beings in the Republic of Moldova”.
4.1.3. Strengthen the capacities of relevant stakeholders to provide qualitative data in the process of reporting on policy documents and international reports	State Chancellery; Ministry of Internal Affairs; Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; General Prosecutor’s Office	Development partners	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of carried out trainings; Number of trained specialists; Needs assessment carried out	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, 2 trainings were conducted, attended by 27 CCTP staff.
4.1.4 Collection and analysis of qualitative data on the impact of human trafficking on minorities	State Chancellery; Ministry of Internal Affairs (Centre for Combatting Trafficking in Persons); General Prosecutor’s Office	Council for the Prevention and Elimination of Discrimination and Ensuring Equality; Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Mission	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of identified cases, Carried out analysis; Proposals of formulated policies/actions	<u>Fulfilled</u> In 2022, 151 victims were identified at national level, of which: 1) GPI - 143 victims (94.70%), 2) GBPI - 5 victims (3.31%) 3) GPO - 3 victims (1.99%). At the national level, according to the GENDER criterion, the following were identified: - 32 female victims (21.19%) (2021 – 130 women) - 75 male victims (49.67%) (2021 – 205 men) - 43 child victims (girls) (28.48%) (2021 – 21 girls) - 1 child victim (boys) (0.66%) (2021 – 1 boy).
Specific objective 4.2: Strengthening the information management mechanism in the field of trafficking in human beings							
4.2.1. Training of specialists in the use of the Central Data Bank	Ministry of Internal Affairs (Centre for Combatting Trafficking in		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional		Number of carried out trainings; Number of trained specialists	<u>Fulfilled</u> With the support of the Information Technology Service of the Ministry of Interior, 1 employee of the CCTP was trained on the use of the Central Data

	Persons); General Prosecutor's Office			competences)			Bank in 2 training courses organized on 18.03.2022 and 03.06.2022.
4.2.2. Collection of disaggregated statistical data on cases of trafficking in human beings of migrants, citizens of other countries (reported cases, criminal cases registered, investigated, sent to court, forms of exploitation, countries of origin, detailed profile)	Ministry of Internal Affairs (Centre for Combatting Trafficking in Persons, General Border Police Inspectorate, Bureau of Migration and Asylum)		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Collected statistical data; Number of performed and published analyses	<u>Fulfilled</u> During the reporting period, more than 13 analytical products were produced in the area by the MIA subdivisions. CCTP collects disaggregated statistical data on cases of trafficking in human beings of migrants, citizens of other states and produces a quarterly Activity Report reflecting the obtained results, information on the total number of investigated criminal cases, cooperation with foreign law enforcement bodies, policy/action proposal, etc.). At the same time, based on the situation created in the region, the information in the Report on risks and threats to national security, public order and public security in the areas of competence assigned to the MIA (in the context of the developments of the aggression in Ukraine) is updated monthly.
Specific objective 4.3: Conduct research to reflect trends in trafficking in human beings							
4.3.1. Master's degree students tackle topics related to trafficking in human beings, its prevention and combating in their theses	Ministry of Education and Research	Higher education institutions	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of drafted theses; Subject matter addressed	<u>Fulfilled.</u> The theme of preventing and combating trafficking in human beings is included in the activity plans of academic groups in universities. The subject matter of undergraduate and master's degree projects, as well as annual theses, includes this topic, formulated and developed from various perspectives: sociological, psychological, legal, criminological, forensic, social work

						<p>and even economic.</p> <p>At the SMU, in 2022, teachers, master's and PhD students participated with papers on the issue of human trafficking in national and international conferences, symposia (National International Conference "Through Research and Innovation"; Round Table "Protection of Victims of Human Trafficking"), which were subsequently reflected in 5 master's theses.</p> <p>At the Stefan cel Mare Academy, scientific work was carried out under the title: Human trafficking and illegal migration: current trends and prevention strategies, reflected in the contents of 2 master's theses.</p> <p>At the A. Russo State University of Balti, Institute of Criminal Sciences and Applied Criminology, Military Academy "Alexandru cel Bun", the master's students have dealt with topics related to trafficking in human beings, its prevention and combating, included in the following general themes of the master's theses: "Trafficking in human beings: methods of prevention, combating and sanctioning", "Strategies of assistance and protection of victims and potential victims of trafficking in human beings", Trafficking in human beings in the view of practitioners (3 theses), etc.</p> <p>At the same time, in 2022, several activities on research on the phenomenon of trafficking in human beings were organized with about 3.0 thousand participants of students and</p>
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						scientific and teaching staff.
4.3.2. Develop a regular analysis of the main trends of the phenomenon and methods of recruiting victims (children and young people) both online and offline	Ministry of Internal Affairs		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Performed and published annual analysis <u>Fulfilled</u> Analysis on the main trends of the phenomenon and methods of recruiting victims is carried out annually.
4.3.3. Research on the phenomenon and trends of trafficking in human beings, reflecting aspects related to the evolution and trends of recruitment methods of victims (children and young people) both online and offline	Ministry of Education and Research; Ministry of Internal Affairs	Higher education institutions	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	Number of performed researches; Subject matter addressed	<u>Fulfilled</u> Every year, research on the phenomenon of trafficking in human beings is carried out in higher education institutions in the Republic, including the reflection of aspects related to the evolution and trends of methods of recruitment of victims (children and young people) both online and offline, by including these topics in the themes of master theses, scientific conferences, round tables, etc. Hence, 1) <i>A. Russo State University of Balti has carried out:</i> Scientific seminars: "Strategies of assistance and protection of victims and potential victims of human trafficking"; Strategies of assistance and protection of victims and potential victims of human trafficking". Lecture with the title: "Trafficking in human beings: methods of prevention, combating and punishment". 2) <i>State University of Moldova conducted:</i> Lectures with research aspect: "Approaching the theme of trafficking in human beings in the genres of information journalism"; "The minor - victim of child trafficking", "Population migration and the European Anti-

						<p>Trafficking Day"; "European Anti-Trafficking Day".</p> <p>Round tables: "The phenomenon of trafficking in human beings in the Republic of Moldova; "Protection of victims of trafficking in human beings".</p> <p>3) <i>The Institute of Criminal Sciences and Applied Criminology</i> conducted research on "Trafficking in human beings during the pandemic in and from Romania".</p> <p>4) <i>Gr. Țamblac State University of Taraclia</i> tackled the following topics: "Combating human trafficking in Moldova"; "Economic and psychological factors of human trafficking" in 2 round tables with research issues.</p> <p>5) <i>"Stefan cel Mare" Academy</i> carried out scientific activities with the topic: "Human trafficking and illegal migration: current trends and prevention strategies".</p> <p>6) <i>Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova</i> conducted 4 lectures with research elements: "STOP Trafficking in Human Beings!"; "Preventing and Combating Trafficking in Children"; "Trafficking in Human Beings is Inhuman"; "Preventing and Combating Trafficking in Human Beings".</p> <p>7) <i>"B.P. Hasdeu" State University of Cahul</i> investigated the anti-trafficking phenomenon within the public lecture: "How to detect a human trafficker".</p>
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4.3.4. Elaboration of the study on the risks of trafficking in human beings in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic	Ministry of Internal Affairs		December 2021	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Study developed and published on the official webpage	<u>Not fulfilled</u>
1.5. Efficient management of financial resources							
General objective 5: Strengthen mechanisms for planning and managing financial resources from the state budget for the implementation of actions in the area concerned							
Specific objective 5.1: Gradual increase of funding for anti-trafficking actions from the state and local budgets							
5.1.1. Amendment of the Law No 137/2016 on the Rehabilitation of Victims of Crime and of the Enforcement Code No 443/2004 in the part concerning the procedure and the institution responsible for the transfer of financial compensation to the victim and the attribution of the character of an enforceable document to the act ordering the financial compensation of victims of crime	Ministry of Justice		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Amended legal framework	<u>In progress</u> The Ministry of Justice on 06.09.2022 announced about the initiation of the amendment of the Law no. 137/2016 on Rehabilitation of Crime Victims. This action is included in the Action Plan of the Strategy for ensuring the independence and integrity of the justice sector for the years 2022-2025 (Law No. 211/2021).
5.1.2. Planning financial resources in the state and local budgets to implement actions to prevent and combat trafficking in human beings	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; Ministry of Internal Affairs; Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration; Ministry of Justice; Ministry of Finance; General Prosecutor's		June 2022	2021 – 13933,3 th lei; 2022 – 7121,2 th lei/budget of Ministry of Labour and Social Protection and earmarked transfers to local budgets		Planned financial resources	<u>Fulfilled</u> For 2022, for the maintenance of the Centres for assistance and protection of victims of trafficking in human beings, psychosocial centres for rehabilitation of victims of domestic violence and measures for protection and assistance of victims of trafficking in human beings in the National Public Budget financial means in the amount of 16.2 mil. lei were approved, of which as of 31 December 2022, a total of 14.7 million lei, which represents 90.7%, were executed, of which:

	Office			of second level			<p>- For the maintenance of assistance and protection centres for victims of trafficking in human beings in Cahul district and psychosocial rehabilitation centres for victims of domestic violence in Anenii Noi, Causeni, Drochia, Hincesti, mun. Balti and ATU Gagauzia were approved financial means in the amount of 9.8 million lei, of which 9.7 million lei were executed.</p> <p>These expenditures were made through earmarked transfers from the state budget to local budgets of the second level.</p> <p>- For the financing of the assistance and protection centre for victims of trafficking in human beings in the mun. Chisinau, in the budget of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection were approved allocations in the amount of 4.7 million lei, which as of 31.12.2022 were executed in the amount of 4.5 million lei.</p> <p>- For protection and assistance measures for victims of trafficking in human beings in the budget of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection, financial means in the amount of 426.7 thousand lei were approved, of which 240.3 thousand lei were executed.</p>
Section 2							
PREVENTION OF TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS							
2.1. Informing the general public							
General objective 6: Increase awareness of the general public about trafficking in human beings							
Specific objective 6.1: Inform the general public about current trends in trafficking in human beings							
6.1.1. Coordinate the implementation of the national	State Chancellery (Permanent		June 2022	- / budget of involved		Annually carried out campaign	<u>Fulfilled</u> National campaign "Week of Fight

information and awareness-raising campaign on the phenomenon of trafficking in human beings, including mechanisms for identifying and reporting suspected cases of trafficking, abuse and sexual exploitation	Secretariat of the National Committee for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings)			authorities (it relates to functional competences)			against Trafficking in Human Beings" took place from 17-23 October 2022. The information note can be accessed at the following link: http://www.antitrafic.gov.md/libview.php?l=ro&idc=30&id=1417&t=/Raport_e/Nationale/Nota-informativa-privind-realizarea-Campaniei-nationale-Saptamana-de-lupta-impotriva-traficului-de-fiinte-umane-17-23-octombrie-2022
6.1.2. Conduct training sessions on the threats of human trafficking and related phenomena, especially for people seeking work abroad or seasonal workers	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (National Employment Agency); Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration; Ministry of Internal Affairs; General Prosecutor's Office; Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of carried out sessions; Number of participants	<u>Fulfilled</u> In 2022, the National Employment Agency (NEA), within the framework of the "Week of Fight against Trafficking in Human Beings (17-23 October 2022), together with 30 territorial subdivisions for employment, carried out 39 information activities (seminars, round tables, etc.). Previously the target groups that benefited from these activities were: jobseekers, young people aged 16-34, unemployed, graduate students, probation subjects, students, refugees from Ukraine, employers and Roma people, the number of participants was about 700 people. The activities were carried out in cooperation with partners such as: Probation Office, CSPT "Iuventus", Police Inspectorates, Driving School, Territorial Inspectorates, Town Halls, Vocational Schools, Yk Soldanesti - "Friendly Health Centre", District Councils, Social Assistance Divisions, etc. The aim of the activities was to increase

						<p>the level of information of all participants on the risks of illegal migration abroad, labour exploitation, effective mechanisms of anti-trafficking as well as ways of prevention and the advantages of legal employment in the country and abroad.</p> <p>NEA conducted training on "Legal aspects and procedures of employing refugees, migrants and foreign citizens to work in the Republic of Moldova" within the 5 training sessions for employees of the State Chancellery on "Identifying cases of human trafficking in the context of mixed migration flows. Risks and vulnerabilities of refugees and forcibly displaced persons in the context of the war in Ukraine" organized in partnership with the International Centre "La Strada" - 133 participants.</p> <p>In June 2022, the ILO organized an event for labour inspectors entitled "Towards safe, healthy and declared work in Ukraine", at which special principles on combating forced labour, establishing criteria for separating trafficking and forced labour, the worst forms of child labour, etc. were addressed.</p>
6.1.3. Conduct information campaigns/sessions for children and young people on child trafficking and its forms, sexual abuse and exploitation	Ministry of Education and Research; Ministry of Justice; Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry;	Local public authorities	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		<p>Number of carried out actions; Number of participants</p> <p><u>Fulfilled</u> <u>Ministry of Justice</u> A number of activities were carried out within the framework of the national campaign "Week of Fight against Trafficking in Human Beings" conducted from 17 to 23 October 2022 by the penitentiary system and</p>

	State Chancellery; Youth centres and youth councils						probation offices. <u>Ministry of Education and Research</u> For the commemoration of October 18 - European Anti-Trafficking Day and the national campaign "Week of Fight against Trafficking in Human Beings", the Ministry of Education and Research has sent out circulars to local education bodies, technical and higher vocational education institutions with recommendations on the organization of thematic activities aimed at actively promoting policies to prevent and combat trafficking in human beings. The report on the implementation of this activity was submitted to the State Chancellery. Thus, in educational institutions of the republic, activities on prevention of trafficking in human beings were carried out with about 240 thousand participants of pupils/students/teachers/parents, taking into account that in some cases the same persons participated in multiple activities.
6.1.4. Providing information/consultation on legal employment in country and/or abroad to individuals and economic agents, including through the use of hotlines and the Internet	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (National Employment Agency); Public Services Agency (Department for registering and licensing legal entities)	International Centre "La Strada"	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2021 – 625,0 thousand lei/ International Centre "La Strada"	Number of carried out actions; Number of economic units/applicants benefiting from information and consultations	<u>Fulfilled</u> NEA provides consultations and information on legal employment, based on individual employment contracts, through online forms received from citizens to the institution, by telephone and at the office. Thus, through the free telephone service of the Call and Communication Centre, during 2022, a total of 5397 calls were received regarding legal employment in the country and/or abroad, of which

							<p>1127 calls dealt with the emigration process.</p> <p>Citizens are informed about the 3 legal ways of employment abroad based on Law 105/2018 on the Promotion of Employment and Unemployment Insurance; in accordance with the provisions of international treaties to which the Republic of Moldova is a party; through licensed private employment agencies and individually based on an individual employment contract concluded with the employer before leaving the country. At the same time, consultations are offered to economic agents who are interested in obtaining a license for activities related to the placement of Moldovan citizens abroad in the labour market.</p> <p>Also, both citizens and economic agents can receive information on legal employment abroad by accessing the official NEA website www.anofm.md (Labour Migration Department) where they can view detailed information on the process of legal emigration for work purposes.</p>
Specific objective 6.2: Develop cooperation with employers on prevention of trafficking in human beings and related crimes							
6.2.1. Develop partnerships with the private sector to raise awareness and develop joint partnerships/initiatives in the prevention of trafficking and exploitation	State Chancellery; Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry; Ministry of Internal Affairs	National Confederation of Employers of the Republic of Moldova; National Confederation of Trade Unions of Moldova;	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2022 – 34,0 th lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission	Number of organized trainings; Number of jointly carried out partnerships / initiatives	<u>Partially fulfilled</u> The International Labour Organization, in the spirit of supporting partners in various areas, developed in 2022 a handbook for employers and enterprises on preventing and combating forced labour, as well as organized on 2 June a training workshop on "Agenda for Responsible Business Conduct and Fair

		International Organization for Migration Mission					Recruitment - Preventing Human Trafficking and Forced Labour" for labour inspectors, representatives of employers and trade unions on preventing THB and forced labour among refugees.
6.2.2. Develop recommendations for private sector companies (especially agriculture, construction, hotel, tourism) on avoiding the risks of labour exploitation	State Chancellery General Prosecutor's Office; Centre for Combatting Trafficking in Persons; Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (State Labour Inspectorate)	Development partners	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Developed and published recommendations	<u>Partially fulfilled</u> State Labour Inspectorate, on the basis of the provision No. 20 on the organization of activities in the context of marking the "European Day for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings", started a series of events aimed at raising awareness of the subjects of labour relations and civil society on the negative impact of trafficking in human beings - labour exploitation.
Specific objective 6.3: Inform media representatives on accurate coverage of issues related to trafficking in human beings							
6.3.1. Training of communicators from responsible institutions and media representatives on covering issues related to preventing and combating trafficking in human beings, including sexual abuse and exploitation	State Chancellery (Permanent Secretariat of the National Committee for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings); Ministry of Internal Affairs; Ministry of Labour and Social Protection	National Audio-visual Council	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of organized trainings; Number of trained representatives of local/national mass-media	<u>Not fulfilled</u>
Specific objective 6.4: Inform the diaspora about the phenomenon of trafficking in human beings and its consequences							
6.4.1. Inform the diaspora about the phenomenon of trafficking in human beings, its consequences	State Chancellery (Bureau for Diaspora	State Chancellery (Permanent Secretariat of the	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it	2021 – 17,3 th lei/Swiss Agency for	Number of organized activities;	<u>Fulfilled in the II semester of 2022</u> On 5 October 2022 an online event was held with the participation of

and the institutions they could turn to in case of need	Relations); Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration	National Committee for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings); Non-commercial organizations		relates to functional competences)	Cooperation and Development	Number of participants; Number of involved countries	representatives of the diaspora from France, Spain, Italy, Germany, Israel, Jordan, etc., as well as representatives of central public authorities from the General Prosecutor's Office, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, the National Agency for Employment, the Centre for Combating Trafficking in Persons, the State Labour Inspectorate, the Parliament, the National Agency for Social Assistance and the International Centre "La Strada". The aim of this activity was to inform our fellow citizens in the diaspora about the phenomenon of human trafficking, its risks and consequences.
6.4.2. Organize an information campaign in the diaspora on preventing illegal employment and reducing the risks of exploitation within the framework of the "Government closer to you" Programme	State Chancellery (Bureau for Diaspora Relations); Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2022 – 14,0 th lei/ Swiss Agency for Cooperation and Development	Number of organized activities; Number of participants; Number of involved countries	<u>Fulfilled</u> – 4 (on-line) meetings held: - 25.03.2022, session on Challenges and opportunities in accessing electronic public services. - 17-18 August 2022, "Capacity building session with participation of central public authorities: protection of the rights of Moldovan women and men with migrant worker status". - 04.10.2022, online event "Preventing and combating trafficking in human beings. Trends and challenges in the context of global crises". - 28.10.2022, Information session "How to grant exemption from payment of import duties to individuals returning to live in Moldova".

							The topic was discussed at a workshop organized in the context of Diaspora Days, held on 19-20 August 2022, with the participation of representatives of the International Organization for Migration and central public authorities
6.4.3. Addressing the issues of preventing and combating trafficking in human beings in TV/radio broadcasts	State Chancellery Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; Centre for Combatting Trafficking in Persons; General Prosecutor's Office	Local public authorities; Non-commercial organizations; TV/radio stations (National Audio-visual Council)	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of provided interviews; Number of participation in broadcasts	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, 6 interviews were given by 6 CCTP employees for different TV stations.
2.2. Reducing vulnerability							
General objective 7: Reduce the vulnerability of citizens to human trafficking							
Specific objective 7.1: Develop information and vulnerability mitigation services for labour market integration							
7.1.1. Training of specialists from territorial employment subdivisions to inform jobseekers about legal employment methods and the risks of illegal employment	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (National Employment Agency); General Prosecutor's Office; Ministry of Internal Affairs		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of informed persons; Distributed information materials	<u>Fulfilled</u> National Employment Agency prepared for the specialists of the Territorial Employment Structures (STOFM) PowerPoint presentations (PPP) on the legal provisions for employment abroad in order to use them during the events dedicated to the "Week of Fight against Trafficking in Human Beings", "Diaspora Days" and "International Migrants Day". Thus, STOFM provided 3 information materials on legal employment abroad and the risks of illegal migration to 2337 people.
7.1.2. Supporting disadvantaged people in economic and educational empowerment	Ministry of Economy; Ministry of		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it		Number of implemented economic and	<u>Fulfilled</u> Jobseekers who apply to STOFM are registered as jobseekers or

programs	Education and Research; Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (National Employment Agency)			relates to functional competences)		educational empowerment programs; Number of supported beneficiaries disaggregated by: age, place of residence, disadvantaged category, women, youth, minorities; Number of trained persons	unemployed and can benefit from active employment services or measures to increase their chances of employment in accordance with individual needs and employment legislation. In order to prevent unemployment and increase employment opportunities, they benefit from active employment measures, according to Law No 105/2018. NEA through STOFM offers qualification, retraining, further training and specialization courses in order to increase and diversify the professional skills of the beneficiaries. For unemployed people who do not have a profession or trade, on-the-job training takes place in the unit in order to obtain the knowledge, skills, competences and qualifications needed to obtain a job. The traineeship measure is organized for unemployed persons without seniority in their profession. Subsidized employment, including in the case of adapting the workplace to the needs of people with disabilities, provides for subsidies to be offered to employers who employ unemployed persons registered with STOFM. If unemployed people wish to start an entrepreneurial activity that creates employment, STOFM offers advice, assistance and support to start a business. In order to encourage the creation of new jobs and reduce unemployment, the NEA provides grants to support local initiative projects that create jobs in rural areas.
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7.1.3. Initiate negotiations, conclusion and implementation of bilateral agreements and memoranda of understanding with countries of destination of Moldovan workers, in order to ensure safe and legal employment of Moldovan citizens abroad	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (National Employment Agency); Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration	International Centre “La Strada”	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of initiated negotiations; number of destination countries with which agreements or memoranda of understanding have been concluded; number of Moldovan workers assisted in employment abroad under bilateral agreements with other countries	<p><u>Fulfilled</u></p> <p>Number of negotiations initiated in 2022 - 1 negotiation, with the Government of the State of Israel on the temporary employment of Moldovan citizens as care-givers for elderly persons with disabilities in the State of Israel.</p> <p>Concluded agreements/ memoranda = 3 (Federal Republic of Germany -2021, State of Israel - 2012, Bulgaria - 2018).</p> <p>Number of beneficiaries of employment assistance abroad:</p> <p>608 under the Agreement with Germany;</p> <p>94 - under the Agreement with Bulgaria;</p> <p>5921 - under the Agreement with the State of Israel. Moldovan citizens benefit from the legal provisions on emigration for employment purposes under Law 105/2018 on the promotion of employment and unemployment insurance mentioned (p. 6.1.4.), as well as from access to the labour market abroad within the framework of the implementation of ongoing international treaties. All persons corresponding to the selection criteria mentioned in the job offers have equal access to employment abroad under the agreements. The information is</p>

							<p>transparent, posted on the institution's official website: www.anofm.md , www.angajat.md , NEA social networks facebook.com, STOFM information boards, and applicants are informed about the selection, application and employment criteria according to the offers received under the bilateral agreements.</p> <p>Upon request, citizens are provided with accurate information on legal private service providers on the basis of the Public Services Agency's information on private agencies licensed to work in the field, available on the official websites of the ASP (https://asp.gov.md/ro/informatii-utile/date-statistice) and NEA (https://anofm.md/ro/node/86).</p> <p>In support of this, NEA provides a wide range of information to applicants for employment abroad in various destination countries on the portal www.angajat.md (link: https://angajat.md/emigration).</p>
Specific objective 7.2: Ensure that children and adolescents have access to information on the possible dangers of trafficking in human beings, gender equality, children's rights							
7.2.1. Implementation of the contents of the curricula developed with reference to human trafficking, gender equality, children's rights	Ministry of Education and Research; Ministry of Labour and Social Protection	Non-commercial organizations	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of implemented contents	<p><u>Fulfilled.</u></p> <p>Several curricular and extracurricular actions have been carried out in primary and general secondary schools in the Republic of Moldova on the themes of trafficking in human beings, gender equality and children's rights. MER is continuously carrying out actions to prevent and combat trafficking in human beings and violence against children. At the same</p>

						<p>time, the curricula of the compulsory school subjects Education for Society and Personal Development, contain several learning units/content related to identifying, preventing and combating the mentioned phenomena.</p> <p>Thus, the compulsory subject Personal Development proposed for implementation of 1 hour per week, in primary, secondary and high school, includes Module 5, Personal Security, which contains the following units of competence: Assessment of major personal and global risk situations, trafficking in human beings, etc. with the following content units Trafficking in human beings - danger to personal security. Essence of the phenomenon. Factors involved. Modes of recruitment. Consequences. Prevention/protection actions. People and institutions to contact in the country and abroad.</p> <p>The implementation of the school subject Education for Society for secondary and high school pupils, provides for the training of pupils in the values of the rule of law, the development of the necessary skills, respect for the rights and responsibilities of citizenship through the study of integrated modules on Education for democratic citizenship, Education for human rights, Education for integrity, Patriotic education, Intercultural education, etc.</p> <p>In the list of optional subjects for the secondary school cycle, the subjects</p>
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							"Education for gender equity and equal opportunities", "Education for human rights and democratic citizenship" (5th-9th grades) have been included, which directly or indirectly include the following themes: prevention of human trafficking, gender equality, children's rights.
7.2.2 Revision of school textbooks and their alignment with the developed subject curricula, and elimination of discriminatory stereotypes on the basis of gender and adaptation of capacity-building programs for teachers to ensure that they do not perpetuate and tolerate such stereotypes	Ministry of Education and Research; Ministry of Labour and Social Protection		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of revised school textbooks; Number of organized trainings	<u>In progress</u> In order to improve the mechanisms of evaluation, selection and procurement of school textbooks, in 2022 the Ministry of Education and Research continued the process of revision of normative acts on evaluation, selection and procurement of school textbooks. In April 2022, by Order No. 300 of 29.04.2022 of the Minister of Education and Research (published in the Official Gazette No. 135-140 of 06.05.2022) a new Regulation on the selection and procurement of school textbooks was approved. The draft Government Decision on the amendment of Government Decision No 876/2015 on the provision of textbooks to pupils was also prepared. The draft will be promoted in 2023.
7.2.3. Training of teachers, school psychologists, psychologists of the Educational Psychological Assistance Service on human trafficking, sexual abuse and exploitation, referral of victims, and informing them about specialized assistance services	Ministry of Education and Research; Ministry of Internal Affairs	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; National Centre for Prevention of Child Abuse	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2021 – 85,5 th lei/ United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)	Number of trained staff; Number of institutions included in training; Number of trainings	<u>Fulfilled.</u> With reference to the training of teachers, including on prevention of trafficking in human beings, sexual abuse and exploitation, teachers and managers, school psychologists have followed continuous training courses based on provisionally authorized/ accredited programs within the 13 Continuous Training Centres externally

						<p>evaluated by ANACEC.</p> <p>During 2022, a total of 10,913 teachers and managers developed their professional skills through participation in continuous training and retraining courses within the Training Centres. At the same time, thematic modules were developed within the Continuous Training Centres, according to the individual needs of the teachers who participated, about 11 200 teaching staff.</p> <p>The trainees were entitled to select the provider of continuous training services on the basis of quality criteria by choosing accredited/ provisionally authorized continuous training programs. The Ministry's official website contains a continuously updated database of continuous training programs offered by both private and public legal entities authorized for provisional operation/accredited by ANACEC decision and MER order. At the same time, more than 3083 training sessions, seminars, round tables, etc. were organized in the 35 local education bodies, based on the training needs of teachers and managers, attended by 65187 teachers and managers in the education system. During the academic year 2022-2023, the process of training teachers and managers on the implementation of the Standards of Professional Competence of General Education Managers based on the revised and completed Continuous Training Programme</p>
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							continued with the financial support of the Moldovan Education Reform Project.
7.2.4. Inform students about safe use of the Internet to prevent online exploitation by providing them with information resources on prevention of human trafficking, abuse and sexual exploitation	Ministry of Education and Research	National Centre for Prevention of Child Abuse	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2022 – 37,8 th lei/ United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF)	Number of carried out activities; Number of informed pupils	<p><u>Fulfilled.</u></p> <p>In order to raise the awareness of specialists in educational institutions about situations of online violence and to provide functional models of intervention in different situations of online violence, but also about the risks of intervention, especially in situations of online sexual abuse, 5 workshops were held in January-April 2022 on the topic: "Intervention of specialists in educational institutions in situations of online violence". The workshops were conducted by the International Centre (IC) La Strada, MER's partner, in the context of the implementation of the Standards for Child/Student Safety in the Online Environment, approved by MER in 2022 and the Collaboration Agreement signed in 2020. The 125 school psychologists participating in the workshops learned to identify immediate and long-term actions in situations of online violence, based on the intervention plan outline proposed by the facilitators. They also learnt which elements make the difference between a risky situation for the child and a situation of online sexual abuse in order to act according to the situation (risky behaviour - prevention; online sexual abuse - intervention).</p> <p>From 10 to 26 May 2022, 6 activities were carried out on the theme "Talking to your child about online sexual</p>

							<p>abuse". The aim of the activities was to raise awareness of the need to discuss with the child about online sexual abuse and to train the necessary skills for parents to discuss this topic in a child-friendly manner.</p> <p>105 parents of 8th grade pupils participated in the activities. The activities were carried out by IC "La Strada" specialists, according to the plan of activities on piloting the Standards for the protection and safety of children/students in the online environment, approved by Order No. 985 of 07.10.2022 of the Minister of Education and Research and the Cooperation Agreement signed in 2020.</p>
7.2.5. Disseminate structural programs on increasing resilience to sexual abuse and exploitation for children in educational institutions	Ministry of Education and Research	National Centre for Prevention of Child Abuse	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2022 – 210,0 lei/ United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF)	Number of pupils benefiting from the program; Number of carried out programs	<p><u>Fulfilled.</u></p> <p>In 2022, the Ministry of Education and Research developed and approved the Methodology on preventing and combating bullying. Previously, the Ministry supported the introduction of the notion of bullying and the principle of non-violence in the Education Code. Preventing and combating bullying is part of the policy to prevent violence against children and adolescents in educational institutions, and the specifics of the process of preventing and intervening in cases of bullying are established in addition to the existing regulatory framework.</p> <p>The methodology on preventing and combating bullying was approved by Order No. 1024/2022 of the Minister of Education and Research and published in the Official Gazette No. 349-</p>

						<p>361/2022.</p> <p>The methodology is the result of team work and was developed by the Ministry of Education and Research in partnership with the Child Rights Information and Documentation Centre and the Alliance of NGOs active in the field of Child and Family Social Protection, with financial support from the ERIKS Development Partner Foundation and the Liechtenstein Development Services Foundation. Representatives of the Ministry, specialists in the fields of pedagogy and psychology participated in the activities of the working group for the drafting of the document. At the same time, the draft was developed with the involvement of representatives of the Republican Centre for Psycho-pedagogical Assistance, teachers and managers from technical and general vocational education, students, practitioners and experts from the Republic of Moldova and Romania. In the context of the International Day of the Rights of the Child, on 21 November 2022, the Ministry of Education and Research presented the Methodology on preventing and combating bullying at a public discussion on the parliamentary platform.</p>
2.3. Administrative control						
General objective 8: Strengthen mechanisms for regulating and controlling the activities of private agents to prevent exploitation						
Specific objective 8.1: Ensure administrative control mechanisms for vulnerable economic sectors that may influence trafficking in human beings						

8.1.1. Review of public procurement regulatory framework to integrate aspects of prevention of trafficking in human beings and labour exploitation based on EU best practices	Ministry of Finance; Public Procurement Agency		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Revised regulatory framework	<p><u>Fulfilled in 2018, no revised regulatory framework in 2022</u></p> <p>Law No 169/2018 amended Art. 19 para. (1) of the Law no. 131/2015 on Public Procurement, and provides: "The contracting authority is obliged to exclude from the procedure for awarding a public procurement contract any tenderer or candidate who it is aware that, in the last 5 years, has been convicted, by a final decision of a court, for participation in the activities of a criminal organization or group, for corruption, for fraud and/or money laundering, for terrorist offences or offences related to terrorist activities, terrorist financing, child labour exploitation and other forms of trafficking in persons."</p>
8.1.2. Strengthen the role of the State Labour Inspectorate, including for conducting unannounced inspections	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; State Labour Inspectorate; Ministry of Economy		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Revised regulatory framework; Number of identified alleged victims	<p><u>Partially fulfilled</u></p> <p>The State Labour Inspectorate carries out planned and unannounced inspections in strict compliance with the provisions of Law 140/2001 on the State Labour Inspectorate and Law no.131-XIX of 08.06.2012 on State Control over Entrepreneurial Activity. When carrying out planned or unannounced inspection, the inspection body shall give priority to the possibility of carrying out inspection at the inspection body's premises by directly requesting documentation and other information from the inspected party. Only in the case of insufficient documentation and information held to establish compliance with the legislation by the auditee, or based on</p>

							the type of control and risk analysis, the SAI may carry out an on-the-spot control. Thus, a determining indicator for detecting cases of labour exploitation/forced labour would be the unannounced intervention of labour inspectors at the places where labour processes are carried out. It should be noted that 27 controls on the labour placement activity abroad of Moldovan citizens are planned for 2022. During the reporting period, the SLI initiated 27 planned controls in the field of "compliance with the regulatory framework on the activity of private agencies and unlicensed intermediaries performing the activity related to the placement of Moldovan citizens abroad in the labour market". As a result of the actions taken, it was found that some agencies declare no activity, one agency had its permit (license) withdrawn and one economic agent was deregistered from the SRLE. During the control visits, decision makers were made aware of their responsibilities in accordance with the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and the CM/Rec Recommendation (2016).
8.1.3. Control and monitor the activity of private agencies and unlicensed intermediaries, including the collection of recruitment fees from applicants	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; State Labour Inspectorate; Ministry of Internal Affairs; Centre for Combatting		January – June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of private agencies and intermediaries subject to controls; Number of identified alleged victims	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, CCTP employees identified 4 natural persons and 4 legal persons who were engaged in labour placement of citizens abroad without registration of the agency in the field, as a result of which the Public Services Agency and Tax Office were notified

	Trafficking in Persons						on 4 cases. In this context, 16 alleged victims were identified. SLI initiated 27 planned controls on compliance with the regulatory framework on the activity of private agencies and unlicensed intermediaries.
Specific objective 8.2: Ensure control of labour relations in formal/informal economic sectors vulnerable to domestic labour exploitation							
8.2.1. Institutional collaboration and exchange of information at local and national level, in particular between labour inspectors and representatives of law enforcement bodies	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; State Labour Inspectorate; Ministry of Internal Affairs		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of joint controls of economic units; Approved multilateral agreement on ensuring exchange of information at local and national level	<u>Fulfilled</u> At the request of the Public Services Agency, 77 employment agencies of citizens in the country and abroad were checked by CCTP employees during 2022. In 4 cases, deviations from the provisions of the Law No. 105 of 14.06.2018 (on the promotion of employment and unemployment insurance) were elucidated. The exchange of information at local and national level is carried out on the basis of the <i>Cooperation Agreement between the Labour Inspectorate under the Ministry of Labour, Social Protection and Family and the Centre for Combating Trafficking in Persons of the National Investigation Inspectorate of the General Inspectorate of Police, signed on 15.07.2013.</i>
8.2.2. Conduct online trainings with specialists from the State Labour Inspectorate and local law enforcement bodies to streamline the exchange of information	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; State Labour Inspectorate; Ministry of Internal Affairs		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of carried out trainings; Number of trained specialists	No online trainings were conducted during the reporting period.

Section 3 SOCIAL ASSISTANCE AND PROTECTION OF VICTIMS AND ALLEGED VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS							
3.1. Identification and referral of victims and alleged victims of trafficking in human beings							
General objective 9: Strengthen systemic cooperation between relevant institutions in the identification of victims and alleged victims of all forms of trafficking in human beings							
Specific objective 9.1: Strengthen and develop multidisciplinary identification methods and tools							
9.1.1. Training of psychologists assisting victims of trafficking in human beings, including at local level, to provide assistance under the National Referral Mechanism	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (National Social Assistance Agency)	International Organization for Migration Mission; Non-commercial organizations; local public authorities	June 2022		2022 – 35,0 th lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission	Number of trained specialists; Number of organized activities	<u>Not fulfilled</u> No trainings with psychologists were conducted during 2022.
9.1.2. Development of working tools for the employees of the Bureau for Migration and Asylum, General Border Police Inspectorate, for the identification of victims of human trafficking and exploitation among irregular migrants, asylum seekers, stateless persons, including operational procedures for this purpose	Ministry of Internal Affairs	Development partners	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Standard operating procedures; Number of identified victims	<u>Fulfilled</u> During the reporting period, with the support of the I.C. "La Strada", a working group was set up to develop Guidelines on the identification of victims of trafficking in human beings in mixed migration flows. On 05.10.2022, the MIA Order no. 485 "On the approval of the Guide on the identification of victims and presumed victims of trafficking in human beings in the context of mixed migratory flows" was approved.
9.1.3. Conducting online training for specialists of the Ministry of Internal Affairs in order to identify victims among foreigners; training for specialists who have direct contact with foreign nationals, asylum seekers, stateless persons, especially those placed	Ministry of Internal Affairs (Bureau for Migration and Asylum, General Border Police Inspectorate)	State Chancellery (Bureau for Diaspora Relations); United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; Non-commercial	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (online connection costs)	2022 – 34,0 th lei/Swiss Agency for Cooperation and Development	Number of carried out activities; Number of trained specialists	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, 7 trainings were organized and conducted in the field of online trafficking in human beings, during which 16 MIA employees were trained.

in specialized centres		organizations					
9.1.4. Development and distribution of information materials on the rights of victims of human trafficking	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; Ministry of Education and Research; Ministry of Internal Affairs	Local public authorities; International Centre "La Strada"	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2021 – 5,0 th lei, 2022 – 5,0 th lei/ International Centre "La Strada"	Number of developed materials; Number of distributed materials; Decreased number of victims of trafficking in human beings (compared to previous period)	<u>Fulfilled</u> During the reporting period, in order to prevent cases of trafficking in human beings and other related crimes, CCTP employees, together with the representatives of IC "La Strada", carried out 13 visits to the Temporary Placement Centres for refugees from Ukraine located in the mun. Chisinau, where discussions took place with the staff and refugees in order to prevent possible risk situations. In this regard, the International Organization for Migration Mission to Moldova prepared and provided leaflets with useful information in English and Ukrainian, indicating the contact numbers of the hotlines of the Centre for Combating Trafficking in Persons and the International Centre "La Strada". Also during 2022, CCTP employees carried out awareness-raising and information activities on the phenomenon and consequences of trafficking in human beings, with the distribution of information materials, brochures, leaflets, during a workshop organized in two stages (19.04.2022 and 21.04. 2022) with the participation of 70 people, in partnership with the Office of the Prosecutor General, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the Centre for Assistance and Protection of Victims and Potential Victims of THB (CAP), on informing air transport staff in

						<p>preventing and combating trafficking in human beings in the context of refugees from Ukraine.</p> <p>In the period of 2022, within the criminal cases investigated, at the national level - 151 victims were identified, (in the similar period of 2021 - 357 identified victims), of which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 107 adult victims (in 2021 - 335 adult victims),- 44 child victims (in 2021 - 22 child victims). <p>The CCTP of the GPI has identified a total of 105 victims (73.43%) out of the total number of victims of THB identified nationwide.</p> <p>On criminal cases initiated this year - 78 victims:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 31 victims (all girls) on child trafficking (art.206 Criminal Code) in 2021 - 19 victims;- 47 adult victims (19 female/ 28 male) on THB (art.165 Criminal Code) in 2021 - 67 victims; <p>On criminal cases initiated in previous years - 27 victims:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 9 child victims (all girls) on child trafficking (art.206 Penal Code);- 18 adult victims (8 female/10 male) concerning THB (art.165 Criminal Code). <p>As part of the national campaign "Week of Fight against Trafficking in Human Beings", which took place from 17 to 23 October 2022, public institutions under the National Social Assistance Agency carried out activities to inform</p>
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						<p>and raise awareness among the general public about the risks and consequences of trafficking in human beings. Information materials were also distributed on the legal framework, sanctions for traffickers, available services - "Zero tolerance to human trafficking!"</p> <p>During 2022, MER carried out a series of activities on the development and distribution of information materials on the rights of victims of trafficking in human beings, including: information stands in school/university libraries were equipped with special literature, anti-trafficking and anti-violence leaflets were distributed in educational institutions and: (i) information boards were set up on the following themes: „STOP trafficking in human beings"; „National and international legislation on trafficking in human beings"; „Stop! Trafficking in human beings or child trafficking"; "Life is not for sale! Stop trafficking in human beings"; "Fight trafficking in human beings!"; "Life is a treasure - cherish it"; "Say NO to trafficking in human beings; "Say NO to trafficking in human beings! "; „Trafficking in human beings - a social problem'; Book exhibitions: 'Stop THB' 'Trafficking in human beings: once was and still is...'; (ii) Book exhibitions in the framework of the National Campaign: „Fight against Trafficking in Human Beings Week'; „18 October - European Day against Trafficking in</p>
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							Human Beings'; „Don't get trafficked”.
3.2. Repatriation of victims and alleged victims of trafficking in human beings							
General objective 10: Strengthen the institutional capacities of the relevant authorities in order to make the repatriation procedure more efficient							
Specific objective 10.1: Build the capacities of specialists in the implementation of repatriation procedures							
10.1.1. Conduct online training of central and local public administration specialists in the application of repatriation procedures	State Chancellery; Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration; Ministry of Labour and Social Protection; Ministry of Internal Affairs	International Organization for Migration Mission; Local public authorities; Non-commercial organizations	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of trained specialists; Number of carried out activities	<u>Not fulfilled</u>
10.1.2. Ensure reintegration of repatriated persons at risk on the platform of specialized centres/services	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (National Social Assistance Agency)	International Organization for Migration Mission; Local public authorities	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2021 – 17,0 th lei/ 2022 – 17,0 th lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission	Number of repatriated persons reintegrated in communities	<u>Fulfilled</u> In 2022, two repatriation missions for adults in need were organized. Thus, with the support of IOM one person (male) was repatriated from Egypt and subsequently referred to a hospital for medical treatment. The second repatriation mission was carried out from the MLSP budget - a mother-child couple was repatriated from Romania - the couple was subsequently admitted to the Placement and Rehabilitation Centre for Children of Fragile Age. With reference to the repatriation of children - victims of human trafficking and unaccompanied children, 4 child repatriation missions were organized during 2022, with 5 children (3 boys and 2 girls) repatriated.

							From the Russian Federation 3 children were repatriated (2 missions) and from Romania 2 children (2 missions). Thus, out of the total number of children repatriated during 2022, 3 children were reintegrated into biological/extended families, 1 child - placed in a family-type children's home and 1 child - placed in a temporary placement centre.
3.3. Rehabilitation and reintegration of victims and alleged victims of trafficking in human beings							
General objective 11: Access of victims and alleged victims of trafficking in human beings to the national social protection system							
Specific objective 11.1: Provide assistance and protection to adult victims and alleged victims of trafficking in human beings through long-term programs for rehabilitation and reintegration							
11.1.1. Develop specialized services for male victims of human trafficking	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection (National Social Assistance Agency)	International Organization for Migration Mission; Local public authorities; Non-commercial organizations	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2021 – 1020,0 thousand lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission	Number of developed services; Number of assisted male victims and alleged victims	<u>Fulfilled</u> Since February 2021 the Service for Assistance and Protection of Victims and Alleged Victims of Trafficking in Human Beings (men) has been operating. The above-mentioned service was established by the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, National Social Assistance Agency in partnership with the International Organization for Migration in Moldova, with the maximum capacity to provide the necessary placement and assistance for 10 beneficiaries. The aim of the Service is to provide for a fixed period of time specialized assistance and protection to adult (male) victims and/or alleged victims of trafficking in human beings and other related crimes with a view to recovery, social rehabilitation, adaptation to an active life, reintegration into the family, as well as resuming an independent life.

							During 2022, 19 male victims of trafficking were assisted.
11.1.2. Review the regulatory framework to guarantee victims' access to public health services	Ministry of Health; National Health Insurance Company; Ministry of Finance		June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Reviewed regulatory framework	<u>Not fulfilled</u>
Specific objective 11.2: Ensure long-term protection and support in the rehabilitation and reintegration of victims of trafficking in human beings							
11.2.1. Conduct analysis on the long-term assistance and protection system for the rehabilitation and reintegration of victims, alleged victims of trafficking in human beings	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection	International Organization for Migration Mission; International Centre "La Strada"; Local public authorities; Development partners	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2022 – 68,0 thousand lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission	Carried out analysis	<u>Fulfilled in the second semester 2022</u> In the second semester of 2022, the I.C. "La Strada" with the support of the MLSP and other institutions involved in the field of preventing and combating trafficking in human beings developed the study "Mapping of existing services in the Republic of Moldova for displaced persons from Ukraine. Identifying the risks of exploitation and trafficking in human beings". This study aims to understand the particularities of existing services for refugees from Ukraine, in particular women and children, and to identify the risks of exploitation and trafficking in order to ensure a more effective national anti-trafficking response. We also mention that within the framework of the regional international technical assistance project "Improving access of at-risk groups to information on safe migration and the dangers of trafficking in human beings - III" implemented by the International Organization for Migration with the support of the US Embassy in the Republic of Moldova,

							another study was carried out at the end of 2022 - "Analysis of the regulatory framework and service delivery practice aimed at (re)social integration of victims of trafficking in human beings in the Republic of Moldova", which involves an exposition of the whole process of (re)integration of victims of trafficking in human beings in the Republic of Moldova.
11.2.2. Strengthening partnership with the private sector to support the reintegration of victims	National Employment Agency; State Chancellery	Non-commercial organizations; Employers' associations	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of partnerships with private sector; Number of provided consultations; Number of information sessions provided for private sector	<u>Fulfilled</u> National Employment Agency collaborates with private agencies to provide quality services to citizens. It also monitors changes in legislation and informs and consults private agencies on the correct application of new provisions. Starting from 2023, changes in the field of emigration operated in the Law- 105/2018 came into force, about which the active private agencies were informed and consulted and recommended to adjust their activity according to them.
Specific objective 11.3: Strengthen the cooperation mechanism between the three levels of the National Referral System (community, district, national)							
11.3.1. Monitoring the implementation of the mechanism for assistance and protection of victims of crime and evaluating its effectiveness, with a focus on victims of trafficking in human beings	Ministry of Labour and Social Protection	Development partners	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Monitoring reports	<u>In progress</u> On 23.03.2022 the Government Decision for the approval of the Programme for the creation and development of the National Referral Mechanism for the protection and assistance of victims of crime for the years 2022-2026 and the Action Plan for the years 2022-2024 on its implementation were approved.

Section 4 PUNISHMENT							
4.1. Prosecution and trial of cases							
General objective 12: Strengthen the investigation, prosecution and trial processes in line with international criminal justice standards							
Specific objective 12.1: Ensure a fair trial process in accordance with international standards in this field							
12.1.1. Monitoring and analysis of judicial practice in cases of trafficking in human beings in terms of the penalties imposed and the legal qualification of criminal acts	General Prosecutor's Office	Supreme Court of Justice; International Organization for Migration Mission	Permanently	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2022 – 510,0 th lei/ International Organization for Migration Mission	Number of carried out studies; number of developed recommendation	<u>Not fulfilled</u>
12.1.2. Detecting and rigorously investigating cases of trafficking in human beings committed by officials	Anticorruption Prosecutor's Office; General Prosecutor's Office		Permanently	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of detected cases; Number of cases sent to court; Number of adopted sentences	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, 5 new cases of this category were identified.
12.1.3. Detection and rigorous investigation of corruption cases committed in connection with the investigation of human trafficking cases	National Anticorruption Centre; Anticorruption Prosecutor's Office; General Prosecutor's Office		Permanently	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of detected cases; Number of cases sent to the court; Number of adopted sentences	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, 1 new case was identified
12.1.4. Drafting and approval of a new explanatory ruling of the Supreme Court of Justice on the practice of the enforcement of the law in criminal cases related to trafficking in human beings,	Supreme Court of Justice; General Prosecutor's Office	International Centre "La Strada"	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Developed draft ruling	<u>Not fulfilled</u>

related and similar crimes							
4.2. Protection of victims and witnesses in criminal proceedings							
General objective 13: Strengthen the system of protection of victims and witnesses according to international legal assistance standards							
Specific objective 13.1: Ensure that victims of trafficking in human beings are informed of their right to access to justice and other special rights							
13.1.1. Inform victims and witnesses in accessible language about their rights in criminal proceedings, including the compensation mechanism	Ministry of Internal Affairs; General Prosecutor's Office	International Organization for Migration Mission; Nin-commercial organizations; Development partners	Permanently	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number informed victims/ witnesses; Methods and tools used in outreach; Number of victims/witnesses assisted by lawyers; Number of civil actions filed	<u>Fulfilled</u> All victims, including 65 adult victims and 40 child victims, were informed about their rights in the criminal proceedings against signature, including the compensation mechanism. In addition, 16 adult victims and 40 child victims were assisted by lawyers on criminal cases handled by the CCTP. In 102 cases, identified victims filed civil actions in the amount of 6138242 lei, 6900 euro, 9000 US dollars, 300000 rubbles.
Specific objective 13.2: Ensure the use of special methods for hearing victims and witnesses of trafficking in human beings							
13.2.1. Development of standards for the operation of special facilities for the hearing of juvenile victims/witnesses of crime	Ministry of Justice; General Prosecutor's Office; Ministry of Internal Affairs; Ministry of Labour and Social Protection	National Centre for Prevention of Child Abuse	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Approved standards	<u>Fulfilled</u> GD no. 708 of 27.12.2019 for the approval of the Framework Regulation on the organization and functioning of the Regional Centre for integrated assistance to child victims/ witnesses of crime and Minimum quality standards. By Order of the Minister of Labour and Social Protection of 18 February 2022, the Operational Manual for the functioning of the Regional Centre for Integrated Assistance to Child Victims/Witnesses of Crime (Barnahus-type) was approved.
13.2.2. Hearing of victims and	Ministry of	International	Permanent	- / budget of		Number of	<u>Fulfilled</u>

witnesses under the conditions set out in Article 115 of the Criminal Procedure Code of the Republic of Moldova No. 122/2003 and use of the recordings by the courts	Internal Affairs; General Prosecutor's Office	Centre "La Strada"; Centre for Assistance and Protection of Victims and Alleged Victims of Trafficking in Human Beings; Supreme Court of Justice	ly	involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		victims/witnesses (disaggregated by gender) heard under the conditions provided for in Art.115 of the Criminal Procedure Code of the Republic of Moldova No 122/2003	Under the conditions provided for in Article 115 of the CPC, 27 minor victims (on criminal cases initiated on the fact of trafficking in children for sexual exploitation/ Article 206 of the Criminal Code) and 2 adult victims (women) (on criminal cases initiated on the fact of trafficking in human beings for sexual exploitation) and 4 adult victims (1 women/3 men) on the fact of trafficking in human beings for labour exploitation/ Article 165 of the Criminal Code) were heard by CCTP employees. Also, 3 witnesses were heard (2 witnesses - on criminal cases initiated on the fact of organizing illegal migration - art.362/1 Criminal Code and 1 witness - on criminal cases initiated on the fact of committing trafficking in children for sexual exploitation art.206 Criminal Code). At the same time, the CCTP employees heard 1 minor victim under the conditions provided for by art.110/1 of the CPC, on the criminal case initiated on the fact of trafficking of children for sexual exploitation - art. 206 of the Criminal Code. At the same time, court records were used for 2 cases under the conditions of art.115 of the CPC and 1 case under the conditions of art.110/1 of the CPC.No.122/2003 - 4 victims (1 male, 1 female and 2 minors).
13.2.3. Analysis of the advisability of establishing in the legislation a mechanism for	General Prosecutor's Office;		April 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it		Carried out analysis, developed draft	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022 a draft law in line with the anti-trafficking policies on amending

border curfew as a possibility to summon persons	Ministry of Justice; Ministry of Internal Affairs (General Border Police Inspectorate)			relates to functional competences)			and supplementing the Criminal Procedure Code with an instrument necessary for the examination of criminal cases on human trafficking and related crimes in a shorter period of time, i.e. supplementing Chapter III of Title V of the Criminal Procedure Code - with the institute "Border Curfew" as a procedural lever to ensure the presence of persons at the trial - was drafted by the General Prosecutor's Office and submitted for promotion to the Ministry of Justice.
13.2.4. Consultations with the participation of judges and prosecutors specialized in the field, and investigating judges on the practical application of the provisions of national legislation on the hearing of child victims	General Prosecutor's Office; Superior Council of Magistracy; Superior Council of Prosecutors; National Institute of Justice	International Centre "La Strada"; Supreme Court of Justice	December 2021	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of developed recommendations	<u>Fulfilled</u> It was carried out in the framework of a round table: "Attitudes and response of specialists in the Republic of Moldova to cases of online sexual abuse and exploitation of children", organized on 04.07.2022 in the framework of the project „Strengthening the capacity of the Republic of Moldova to counteract cases of online sexual abuse and exploitation of children", implemented by the IC "La Strada", with the financial support of the US Department of State through the Embassy of the United States of America in the Republic of Moldova.
Section 5 INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP							
5.1. International partnership							
General objective 14: Strengthen cooperation between competent authorities, implementing partners in countries of destination, transit and origin in order to make the prevention of and fight against trafficking in human beings more effective							

Specific objective 14.1: Develop international cooperation with key destination and transit countries							
14.1.1. Conclusion of bilateral agreements with countries of destination and transit on prosecution matters	Ministry of Internal Affairs; General Prosecutor's Office; Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration		Permanently	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of concluded agreements; Number of countries with which agreements were concluded	<u>Fulfilled</u> In the context of the first coordination meeting attended by representatives of the law enforcement agencies of the Republic of Moldova, the Republic of Italy and Hungary on the investigation of human trafficking actions of an organized criminal group, the initiative to sign an agreement on the establishment of a joint investigation team with counterparts from Italy and Hungary was established. Thus, on 08.06.2022, the first coordination meeting took place at Eurojust in Hague, Netherlands, attended by representatives of law enforcement agencies from the Republic of Moldova (2 employees (B) of the CCTP participated), the Republic of Italy and Hungary on the investigation of human trafficking actions of an organized criminal group.
14.1.2. Strengthening international partnerships and cooperation for financial investigations	Ministry of Internal Affairs; Money Laundering Prevention and Combating Service; General Prosecutor's Office; National Anticorruption Centre (Criminal Assets Recovery		Permanently	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of joint actions undertaken for financial investigation and seizure of criminal proceeds; Established partnerships; Number of established joint investigation teams;	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, the CCTP carried out 2 joint actions with other national and international law enforcement bodies (CCTP/DCPI/Israel) and the Moldovan-Greek International Operation "VALENTINO". Also, on criminal cases under the management of CCTP, 12 seizures were applied on real estate and movable property, as well as financial means, in their value - 4845676.13 lei, 59320 euros, 31 US dollars and 30 pounds.

	Agency)					Number of seizures, confiscations, their value	The Criminal Assets Recovery Agency of the National Anti-Corruption Centre, had in procedure 25 delegations in cases of trafficking in human beings and related cases (art. 165 CC - 12 delegations, art. 206 CC - 2 delegations, art. 220 CC - 2 delegations, art. 362/1 CC - 9 delegations). As a result, seizures were applied on assets in the total amount of 4,523,237.84 lei..
Specific objective 14.2: Interstate cooperation on international legal assistance							
14.2.1. Use of international legal assistance in cases of trafficking in human beings and related crimes	General Prosecutor's Office; Ministry of Internal Affairs; Ministry of Justice; Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration		Permanently	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)		Number of rogatory letters; Number of extradited persons; Number of transferred criminal proceedings	<p>Fulfilled</p> <p>During 2022, in relation to letters rogatory:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 8 replies to letters rogatory previously sent on criminal cases dealt with were received in the CCTP: (2) Italy, (1) Belgium, (1) Turkey, (1) Poland, (1) Greece, (1) Germany. - 12 requests for legal assistance (international letters rogatory) were sent for execution: (1) Belgium, (2) Russian Federation, (2) Turkey, (1) USA, (1) Italy, (1) Germany, (1) Greece and (2) Spain; - 3 international letters rogatory have been received for execution from the authorities of other States: (Belgium (1), Italy (1) and France (1)) <p>In THB criminal cases, 6 persons have been extradited and extradition proceedings have been initiated against 9 persons.</p> <p>In this context, criminal proceedings transferred to the CCTP have not been received.</p> <p>At the same time, 4 contact points were established and used: Ukraine, Austria,</p>

							<p>France, Spain.</p> <p>The General Prosecutor's Office submitted 30 requests for letters rogatory to other states, of which 21 requests - in the framework of investigation of THB cases and 9 requests - in the framework of investigation of cases of organization of illegal migration. The reference countries are: Russian Federation - 7 requests, Germany - 4 requests, Turkey - 3 requests, France - 3 requests, Romania - 2 requests, Ireland - 2 requests, Spain - 2 requests, 1 (one) request each to Belgium, Italy, Hungary, Portugal, Ukraine, Greece, Slovenia.</p> <p>At the same time, the General Prosecutor's Office has received 13 requests for letters rogatory from the law enforcement authorities of other countries for the investigation of cases of THB and related offences. The reference countries are: Russian Federation - 1 request, Italy - 1 request, Germany - 6 requests, Belgium - 2 requests, Romania - 1 request, France - 1 request, Ukraine - 1 request.</p>
Specific objective 14.3: Strengthen cooperation with international agencies							
14.3.1. Develop cooperation relations, including through international organizations, with the competent authorities in the countries of origin, transit and destination of trafficking in human beings and labour exploitation	Ministry of Internal Affairs; Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration	International Organization for Migration Mission	June 2022	- / budget of involved authorities (it relates to functional competences)	2022 – 600,0 lei/ International Organization for Migration	Fulfilled visits for exchange of experience; Established and used points of contact; Signed/used agreements;	<u>Fulfilled</u> During 2022, 19 trainings were conducted, attended by 104 CCTP staff (24F and 80B). During the reporting period, CCTP exchanged information with Europol EPO and Interpol NCB. In this regard, by CCTP:

					Mission	<p>Number of victims released from exploitation disaggregated by gender;</p> <p>Number of persons apprehended as a result of exchange of information;</p> <p>Documented/disrupted organized criminal groups;</p> <p>Number of exchanges of information</p>	<p>- 334 requests for exchange of information were delivered;</p> <p>- 506 requests were received.</p> <p>All data and information were used.</p> <p>In addition, during 2022, the CCTP carried out 2 joint actions with other national and international law enforcement bodies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) CCTP /DCPI/ Israel; 2) CCTP/DCPI/Greece/OIPC Interpol ("Operation "VALENTINO"). <p>As a result, the CCTP dismantled 2 criminal organized groups.</p>
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