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SFD's Activities in the Agriculture Sector during 1975-2022:



No. of Projects & Programs

97

projects



Total Financial Support

SR 9393.79

million equivalent to USD 2505.01 million. Africa: 72 projects with a total cost amounting to SR 6994.18 million, equivalent to USD 1865.11 million.

Asia: 25 projects with a total cost amounting to SR 2399.61 million, equivalent to USD 639.90 million.

SDF Commitments to Support Agriculture Sector in Developing Countries by Sub-Sector:

Africa











Sub-Sector	No. of Projects & Programs	Amount (SR million)
Agricultural Dams	24	2810.97
Land Reclamation	8	1613.69
Irrigation Canals	7	557.94
Irrigation and Drainage	1	370.90
Rural Development	13	814.12
Grain Storage Silos	2	427.50
Agricultural Crops	6	153.59
Fisheries	1	8.66
Greening	2	49.67
Grain Warehouses	1	16.94
Others	7	170.20

Sub-Sector	No. of Projects & Programs	Amount (SR million)
Agricultural Dams	4	547.29
Land Reclamation	3	160.93
Irrigation Canals	8	639.11
Irrigation and Drainage	5	620.95
Rural Development	1	168.75
Grain Storage Silos	3	168.83
Agricultural Crops	0	0
Fisheries	1	93.75
Greening	0	0
Grain Warehouses	0	0
Others	0	0



Introduction:

Agriculture has a vital role in the economies of developing countries and is considered the main source of food, income, and employment for the rural communities. Accordingly, attention to agriculture and land use is essential to alleviate poverty, achieve food security, and, ultimately, sustainable development.

Given the importance of this sector, the Saudi Fund for Development (SFD) focused on selecting projects that have positive social or economic returns. In this regard, SFD paid particular attention to projects of the agricultural sector for several reasons, including:

-Agriculture is the main source of income for communities in developing countries, as the rural population makes up 60% to 80% of the population. Additionally, the majority of rural population use traditional farming methods and they are poor farmers. Given the widespread poverty amongst farmers in developing countries, it is important to pay careful attention to them to improve their living standard.

-The agriculture sector helps create job opportunities, which reduces rural migration to major cities. The agriculture sector also supplies the local industries with the needed the raw materials.

-Agriculture contributes to reducing imports of some food products and thus reduces costs.

-The agricultural sector contribution to providing food for the population in developing countries, leading to achieving food security and selfsufficiency.













SFD-Financed Agricultural Projects:

Given the importance of the agriculture sector projects in supporting development efforts, SFD contributed SR 9393.79 million, equivalent to USD 2505.01 million to finance 97 agricultural projects during 1975-2022.

SFD financed 72 projects in Africa with a total amount of SR 6994.18 million, equivalent to USD 1865.11 million. Additionally, in Asia alone, SFD financed 25 projects with a amount of SR 2399.61 million, equivalent to USD 639.90 million.





Geographical Distribution of SDF's Activity in the Agriculture Sector during 1975-2022:

Afric	Africa Asia Total		al		
No. of Projects &	Amount	No. of Projects &	Amount	No. of Projects &	Amount
Programs	(SR million)	Programs	(SR million)	Programs	(SR million)
72	6994.18	25	2399.61	97	9393.79

Areas of SFD's Activities in the Agriculture Sector

- Agricultural Dams: SFD contributed SR 3358.26 million to finance 28 development projects and programs.
- Land Reclamation: SFD financed 11 development projects and programs with a total amount of SR 1774.62 million.
- Irrigation Canals: SFD supported 15 development projects and programs with a total amount of SR 1197.05 million.
- Irrigation and Drainage: SFD contributed SR 991.85 million to finance 6 development projects and programs.

- Rural Development: SFD allocated SR 982.87 million to finance 14 development projects and programs.
- **Grain Storage Silos:** SFD provided SR 596.33 million to finance 5 development projects and programs.
- Agricultural Crops: SFD financed 6 development projects and programs with a total amount of SR 153.59 million.

- Fisheries: SFD financed 2 projects and programs with a total amount of SR 102.41 million.

- **Greening:** SFD financed 2 projects and programs with a total amount of SR 49.67 million.
- **Grain Warehouses:** SFD financed 1 projects and programs with a total amount of SR 16.94 million.
- Others: SFD financed 7 development projects and programs in various areas in the agricultural sector, with a total amount of SR 170.20 million.















Agriculture Projects in Africa during 1975-2022:

Country	Project	Sub-Sector	Amount (SR million)
Eritrea	Forestation of Eritrea	Greening	40.97
Carbon African Danublia	Sugar Complex in Ouaka	Agricultural Crops	20.00
Central African Republic	Cotton Production Support	Agricultural Crops	9.00
Uganda	Financing the Purchase of the Items Related to Agricultural and Livestock Development	Others	7.36
	Bhakra Dam	Agricultural Dams	39.87
	Development of Sourou Valley	Rural Development	26.00
Burkina Faso	Bagry Integrated Rural Development	Rural Development	34.00
	Samendeni Dam	Agricultural Dams	45.00
	Hydro-Agricultural Development in Sourou Valley	Rural Development	75.00
Burundi	Mugamba – Bututsi Reforestation	Greening	8.70
Tanzania	Agricultural Sector Support	Others	15.00
Togo	Land Reclamation in Messon Toffiye Region	Land Reclamation	17.00

Country	Project	Sub-Sector	Amount (SR million)
	Sidi Saad Dam	Agricultural Dams	219.37
	Protection of Sidi Saad Dam	Agricultural Dams	16.00
	Nefzaoua Oasis	Land Reclamation	50.00
Toolele	Al Hawareb Dam	Agricultural Dams	50.00
Tunisia	Integrated Rural Development Financing Program	Rural Development	132.50
	Integrated Farming Development in Jumin and Gazala	Rural Development	40.00
	Integrated Farming Development in Sidi Bou Zid Province	Rural Development	75.00
	Al-Saoud Wadi Sejnane Dam	Agricultural Dams	100.00
Chad	Construction of Small Dams for Agriculture and Livestock in Rural Areas	Agricultural Dams	93.75
	Gergar Dam	Agricultural Dams	75.49
Almovia	Ain Dalia Dam	Agricultural Dams	83.76
Algeria	Bani Haroon Dam	Agricultural Dams	147.75
	Preparation and Expansion of Farm Irrigation around Meena	Rural Development	50.00
Cape Verde	Fishing Project in Cape Verde Islands	Fisheries	8.66



Country	Project	Sub-Sector	Amount (SR million)
	Development of the Senegal River Basin (OMVS)	Agricultural Dams	237.80
	Rural Development in Eastern Senegal	Rural Development	10.68
Connel	Irrigated Agriculture Development on Senegal River	Land Reclamation	45.00
Senegal	Rehabilitation and Extension of Matam Agricultural Project (Phase II)	Land Reclamation	74.20
	Anambe River Basin Development (Phase I)	Irrigation Canals	30.00
	Anambe River Basin Development (Phase II)	Agricultural Crops	57.50
	Rahad Irrigation System	Irrigation Canals	92.20
	Western Savannah Development	Rural Development	15.89
	Agricultural Sector Support	Others	44.00
Sudan	Heightening of Roseires Dam	Agricultural Dams	150.00
	Upper Atbara and Stit Dams	Agricultural Dams	675.00
	Al Jazira Rehabilitation*	Agricultural Crops	127.70
	White Nile Sugar	Rural Development	200.00
Somalia	Agricultural Sector Support	Others	30.00
Ghana	Grain Storage Silos	Grain Warehouses	16.94
Guinea	Integrated Rural Development in Forecariah	Rural Development	26.00
Guinea Bissau	Agricultural Sector Support	Others	12.00

^{*}Al Jazira Rehabilitation project consists of two loans.

The first loan allocated to support the agricultural crops sector with a total value of SR 56.80 million.

The second loan was an additional loan allocated to support the irrigation and drainage sector with a total value of SR 70.90 million.

Country	Project	Sub-Sector	Amount (SR million)
Niger	Kandadji Dam	Agricultural Dams	112.50
Cameroon	Wheat Cultivation	Agricultural Crops	0.32
Kenya	Agricultural Sector Support	Others	15.00
	Agricultural and Housing Development, Study of the Sixth Region's Irrigation System	Rural Development	16.05
	Selingue Dam	Agricultural Dams	50.30
	Selingue Dam Project Completion	Agricultural Dams	3.73
Mali	West Coastal Livestock (Sahel Livestock)	Others	46.84
Maii	Development of the Senegal River Basin (OMVS)	Agricultural Dams	196.13
	Goubo Plateau Agricultural Project in the Sixth Region	Agricultural Crops	9.97
	Construction of Taosa Dam	Agricultural Dams	93.75
	Construction of Djenne Dam (under the Irrigation Development Program of Selingue Basin (Phase 1)	Agricultural Dams	56.25
	Irrigation Canal for Sinai Desert	Irrigation Canals	81.66
	Grain Storage Silos	Grain Storage Silos	90.00
	Horizontal Grain Storage Silos	Grain Storage Silos	337.50
Egypt	Construction of (13) Agricultural Zones	Land Reclamation	394.99
	Construction of Water Transport Canal	Irrigation Canals	172.00
	Al Mahsamma Tertiary Wastewater Treatment Plant	Land Reclamation	790.00
	Irrigation and Drainage Pumping Stations	Irrigation and Drainage	300.00



Country	Project	Sub-Sector	Amount (SR million)
	Algharb Agricultural	Land Reclamation	115.00
	Ait Ayoub Dam and Matmata Tunnel	Agricultural Dams	85.42
	Irrigation Networks in Al Haouz Alawsat	Irrigation Canals	22.00
Morocco	Taschort Dam	Agricultural Dams	100.00
	Moulay Bauchta Dam	Agricultural Dams	60.00
	Tsaout Canal (T2)	Irrigation Canals	122.58
	Al Haouz Al Awsat Development (Phase II)	Rural Development	113.00
	Gorgol Valley Agricultural Project	Agricultural Dams	33.50
	Arkiz Agriculture Project	Land Reclamation	127.50
Mauritania	Development of the Senegal River Basin (OMVS)	Agricultural Dams	85.60
	Expansion and Rehabilitation of Conde Canal	Irrigation Canals	37.50
		Total	6994.18

Agriculture Projects in Asia during 1975-2022:

Country	Project	Sub-Sector	Amount (SR million)
Jordan	South Ghor Irrigation (Feifa – Khanizeirah)	Irrigation and Drainage	12.71
Iraq	Construction of Metal Silos for Grain Storage in Diwaniya Governorate	Grain Storage Silos	93.75
	Nucleus Estate and Small Holder Sugar Project	Land Reclamation	30.07
Indonesia	Arakundo Jambu Aye Irrigation and Flood Control	Irrigation and Drainage	120.96
	Nucleus Estate and Small Holder 4th Region	Land Reclamation	74.61
Pakistan	Tarbela Dam Repairs	Agricultural Dams	172.29
	Irrigation and Drainage of the Left Bank Land of Andous River (Phase I)	Irrigation and Drainage	231.53
December 1	Deep Tubewells Irrigation	Irrigation Canals	72.20
Bangladesh	Teesta Dam for Irrigation and Flood Control	Agricultural Dams	105.00
Lebanon	Brisa Lake Reservoir	Agricultural Dams	37.50
Tajikistan	Development of Water and Irrigation Sources in Khatlon	Irrigation and Drainage	93.75
Myanmar	Development of Irrigation System for Kanyin Dam	Irrigation Canals	30.00



Country	Project	Sub-Sector	Amount (SR million)
	Bajmati Irrigation (2 Phases)	Irrigation Canals	144.50
Nepal	Completion of Bajmati Irrigation Project	Land Reclamation	56.25
	Development of Dunduwa Irrigation System	Irrigation Canals	93.75
V	Grain Storage and Processing (Phase I)	Grain Storage Silos	38.25
Yemen	Grain Storage and Processing (Phase II)	Grain Storage Silos	36.83
Uzbekistan	Rehabilitation of the Pumps of Irrigation Water System in Karshi (Phase II)	Irrigation and Drainage	162.00
	Construction and Rehabilitation of Alat Pumping Station in Bukhara Region	Irrigation Canals	33.56
	Mahaweli Ganga Downstream Development System (B) Left Bank	Irrigation Canals	85.00
Sri Lanka	Development of Kalu-Ganga Basin	Agricultural Dams	232.50
	Development of the Left Bank of Kalu-Ganga	Rural Development	168.75
Maldives	Development of Fisheries Sector	Fisheries	93.75
Azerbaijan	Construction of Velvelechay - Takhtakorpu Canal	Irrigation Canals	67.50
Kyrgyzstan	Agriculture Irrigation Development in Esquel and Naryn Regions	Irrigation Canals	112.50
		Total	2399.61







