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## The Role of the Saudi Fund for Development in Supporting the Education and Health Sectors



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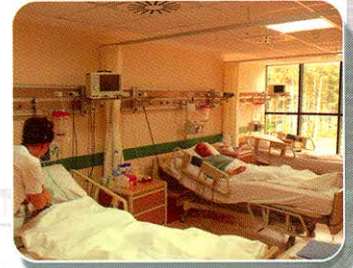




In 1974, the government of Saudi Arabia incepted the Saudi Fund for Development to be in charge of the development aids that KSA grants to the governments of developing countries. Accordingly, the Fund was entrusted with organizing the transactions required for the accreditation of those aids and their distribution according to standards, rules and regulations that aim to maximize their benefit and ensure accomplishment of their set objectives. The Fund has always dedicated its contributions to the sectors of direct impact on the citizens' lives. Thus, it allocated a great deal of its loans for the Education and Health sectors driven by its belief that everyone has the right to a decent education which is essential for the comprehensive development of human resources. It is natural that caring for education would be accompanied by the provision of adequate health services that are essential for economic prosperity.

### **The Importance of Education and Health Sectors in SFD's Activity**

The Fund allocates a significant part of its contributions to support the developing countries efforts, thus help improve the education and health standards of their people. Consequently, The Fund has participated in financing the construction of various Education and Health facilities. Since the start of its activity in 1975 up to the end of 2013, the Fund has keened to enhance its approach in the education and health sector. In terms of this context, it contributed for financing of 62 projects in the Education sector and another 42 in the Health sector. The total assistance granted to both sectors amounted to about SR. 6088.48 million equivalent to US\$ 1623.59 million – of which SR. 3472.17 million were dedicated for the Education sector while SR. 2616.31 million were allocated for the Health sector.

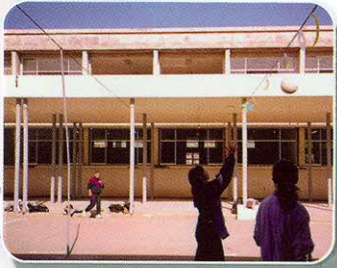




## Classification of the Education Sector Projects

(SR. Million)

Sector	Africa		Asia		Total	
	No. of Projects and Programs	Amount	No. of Projects and Programs	Amount	No. of Projects and Programs	Amount
Basic Education	12	641.87	8	306.01	20	947.88
Technical and Vocational Education	11	463.91	7	498.93	18	962.84
Higher Education	11	708.35	13	853.10	24	1561.45
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1814.13</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1658.04</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>3472.17</b>



In supporting of the Education and Health sectors, the Fund's role is not only limited to the direct financing of their projects, but it also contributes to other sectors which positively impact the citizens' educational and Health standards. Among the most remarkable efforts undertaken by the Fund to support the Health sector, is its participation in programs for fighting epidemic diseases, particularly in Africa. Those programs included the "River Blindness Control" the Fund provided SR. 33.75 million, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (Aids), tuberculosis and cholera SR. 292.50 million, and Polio Eradication initiative SR.112.50 million.



## Classification of the Health Sector Projects

(SR. Million)

Sector	Africa		Asia		Other Regions		Total	
	No. of Projects and Programs	Amount	No. of Projects and Programs	Amount	No. of Projects and Programs	Amount	No. of Projects and Programs	Amount
Hospitals	15	639.34	19	1519.55	2	168.75	36	2327.64
Health Centers	4	176.17	2	112.50	—	—	6	288.67
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>815.51</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1632.05</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>168.75</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>2616.31</b>



## SFD's Contributions to the Education and Health Sectors

By financing projects in the Education and Health Sectors, the Fund aims to implement the priorities of the recipient countries, in accordance with their development plans and programs, and also in a manner that ensures a balanced growth and sustainable development. An in-depth observation of the Fund's contributions to the Education and Health sectors, since its early inception till 2013, would show the following points :





1. The Fund's interest in the Education and Health sectors has notably grown throughout the past years. In terms of this, the Fund has contributed a total of SR. 6088.48 million to finance 104 development projects and programs in 41 countries.

2. The Fund's contribution to the Education sector in Africa, reached SR. 1814.13 million to finance 34 projects and programs. In Asia, another 28 Education projects and programs were financed with SR. 1658.04 million.



3. The Fund has contributed to the Health sector as follows: in Africa reached 19 projects were financed with SR. 815.51 million, in Asia, 21 were financed with SR.1632.05 million, while 2 other projects in Other Regions were financed with SR. 168.75 million.

4. The Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) set by the United Nations further confirmed the Fund's keenness to support the Education and Health sectors. Both sectors are among the most significant tools that effectively limit the problems of poverty and inequality; and they are additionally essential for more social prosperity.



## The Contributions of the SFD's in Supporting the Education Sector in Africa and Asia during the Period 1975 - 2013

(SR. Million)

Africa			Asia		
Country	No. of Projects	Amounts	Country	No. of Projects	Amounts
Algeria	5	241.00	Azerbaijan	1	35.70
Benin	1	43.00	China	3	253.75
Cape Verde	1	37.50	Indonesia	1	135.00
Cote d'ivoire	1	37.50	Jordan	2	114.18
Djibouti	1	26.25	Lebanon	5	170.83
Egypt	1	100.00	Malaysia	3	117.56
Gabon	2	99.76	Oman	2	45.55
Gambia	1	37.50	Syria	1	123.10
Ghana	1	11.39	Tajikistan	3	150.00
Guinea	3	159.00	Turkey	2	167.66
Malawi	1	45.00	Uzbekistan	1	60.00
Mauritania	1	112.50	Vietnam	1	42.00
Morocco	4	440.00	Yemen	3	242.71
Mozambique	1	45.00			
Niger	2	81.16			
Senegal	1	26.89			
Somalia	1	35.30			
Sudan	1	4.23			
Tunisia	3	111.15			
Uganda	1	45.00			
Zambia	1	75.00			
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1814.13</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1658.04</b>







## The Contributions of the SFD's in Supporting the Health Sector in Africa and Asia during the Period 1975 - 2013

(SR. Million)

Africa			Asia		
Country	No. of Projects	Amount	Country	No. of Projects	Amount
Algeria	1	60.00	Bangladesh	1	82.50
Benin	1	40.00	China	4	487.50
Burkina Faso	1	42.00	Jordan	2	295.00
Egypt	1	85.00	Lebanon	2	176.78
Ghana	3	128.67	Malaysia	1	15.90
Guinea	2	49.00	Maldives	1	47.00
Kenya	1	24.00	Sri Lanka	2	131.00
Malawi	1	45.00	Syria	1	50.00
Mozambique	1	33.75	Turkmenistan	1	37.50
Niger	1	37.50	Tajikistan	3	66.37
Rwanda	2	109.27	Uzbekistan	1	75.00
Senegal	2	116.99	Vietnam	1	55.00
Sierra Leone	1	4.33	Yemen	1	112.50
Tunisia	1	40.00			
<b>Total</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>815.51</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1632.05</b>





## The Contributions of the SFD's in Supporting the Education Sector in Other Regions during the Period 1975 - 2013

(SR. Million)

Country	No. of Projects	Amount
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1	93.75
Cuba	1	75.00
Total	2	168.75

