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The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is one of the main countries that provide development financial assistance to a broad range of developing countries in order to elevate their economy. In fact, the Kingdom truly believes that those countries are in desperate need for help and that cooperation and solidarity between the international community members is inevitable. This role has grown and expanded with the growing capabilities and capacities of the Kingdom. In this regard, KSA ranked first among the world countries in terms of the percentage of their assistance to their Gross National Product.

The Saudi Fund for Development represents the government's main channel through which the Kingdom provides assistance. Given that the Kingdom's policy is based on the importance of cooperation and the provision of help to developing countries, and also in support of the efforts to increase the economic growth rates and reduce poverty. The Fund has endeavored to offer assistance to a wide number of developing countries, within this framework, the Fund, since its inception in 1974 till the end of 2013, has contributed a total amount of SR. 42323.00 million, equivalent to US\$ 11286.00 million to finance 542 development projects and programs in 81 countries.

The water sector stands as one of the key sectors to which the Fund has contributed assistance. In doing so, the Fund essentially aimed to provide clean drinking water, irrigation and agriculture; alongside with the improvement of the sewerage system. By doing so, the Fund contributed to the reduction of the developing countries' problems in this field, particularly the wide-spreading of diseases and the increase in the number of deaths due to the lack of clean potable water or adequate sewerage systems.



SFD's Water Sector Projects

(SR. Million)

Region	No. of Countries	No. of Projects	Amount	% Total of the Sector
Africa	20	23	1848.33	63
Asia	14	14	921.68	31
Other Regions	3	3	169.50	6
Total	37	40	2939.51	100

The Fund dedicated importance to the water sector. In line with this context, it has financed 40 projects with SR. 2939.51 million, about US\$ 783.87 million, which represents 6.95% of the Fund's total contributions. 37 countries in each of Africa, Asia and Other Regions of the world benefitted from the Fund's projects in the water sector. In Africa, the Fund financed 23 projects with about SR. 1848.33 million while in Asia 14 projects were financed with SR. 921.68 million. The Fund also participated in the finance of 3 projects in Other Regions with a total of SR. 169.50 million.





African Countries Received Finance in Water Sector Projects

(SR. Million)



Country	Total No. of Projects
Algeria	23
Burkina Faso	
Burundi	
Cameroon	
Djibouti	
Egypt	
Ghana	
Guinea	
Kenya	
Lesotho	
Madagascar	
Mali	
Mauritania	
Morocco	
Senegal	
Sudan	
Tanzania	
Togo	
Tunisia	
Niger	
	Total Amount
	1848.33



Asian Countries Recieved Finance in Water Sector Projects

(SR. Million)

Country	Total No. of Projects
Azerbaijan	14
Bahrain	
Bangladesh	
Indonesia	
Jordan	
Lebanon	
Malaysia	
Maldives	
Nepal	
Oman	
Pakistan	
Sri Lanka	
Turkey	
Yemen	
	Total Amount
	921.68



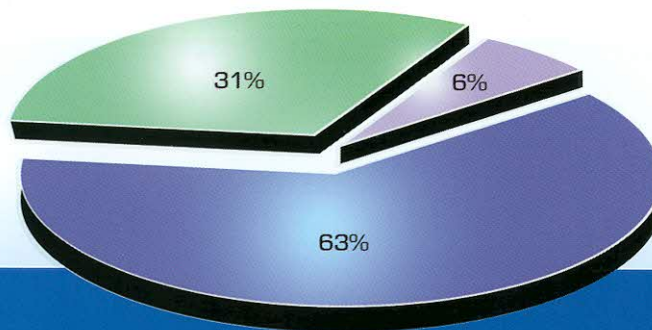


Other Regions Received Finance in Water Sector Projects

(SR. Million)

Country	Total No. of Projects	Total Amount
Cuba	3	169,50
Western Samoa		
Malta		

Geographical Distribution of the SFD's Projects in Water Sector



- Africa : SR. 1848.33 million
- Asia : SR. 921.68 million
- Other Regions : 169.50 million



Saudi Program for Digging Wells and Rural Development in Africa

In 1981, The Government of Saudi Arabia announced its special program for digging wells and rural development in Africa. The SFD managed this program through supervising the provision of grants that were distributed over five stages. Implementation of the first stage began in 1982 while the fifth one shall be started throughout the current year, 2014. The total assistance allocated for these grants amounted to almost SR. 1237.50 million equivalent to US\$ 330 million.

