

Improve Efficiency of Irrigation System and Water Management in Minya

The European Union-Joint Rural Development Programme (EU-JRDP) is a rural development intervention under the broader European Neighbourhood Programme for Agriculture and Rural Development (ENPARD) initiative in Egypt. EU-JRDP is entirely funded by the European Union with a total of €21.89M.

EU-JRDP duration is five years (2015-2019) and aims at strengthening the capacities of rural associations, both farmers and non-farmers, in terms of sustainable management of local resources, especially water and soil, and exploring new and innovative solutions for income generating ac-



Location: Egypt, Minya Governorate: Hafez El Sharkyia (command area)

Description: Rehabilitation of irrigation infrastructure of a command area selected in a participatory fashion and in tight connection with all concerned line ministries by adopting a set of criteria identified in connection with main stakeholders.

Main planned rehabilitation works are: rehabilitation of main irrigation canals, improvement of farm irrigation systems, improvement of irrigation and drainage efficiency.

In addition a "Quantum Geographical Information System" (QGIS) digital platform was utilized; maps were produced. The QGIS data are utilized as a tool for technical reporting and monitoring.

Duration: 36 months (starting from April 2016)

Budget: Euro 3.5 Million (EU Contribution 100%)

Implementation Entity: National Water Research Center (NWRC) for Engineering Design and Work Supervision in coordination with Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation (MWRI). The works for rehabilitation are tendered.

Partner Ministries: Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation (Lead Ministry); Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation, Ministry of Local Development.

Overall Objective: To contribute to the improvement of the quality of life of the people living in the rural areas of Minya Governorate with the focus on the sustainable management of territorial resources.

Specific Objective: To increase sustainable agricultural production by managing water resources more effectively.

Target Groups: Approximately 2,800 families: small holders with average farm size of 2.5 feddan.

Expected Results:

- Main canals developed and rehabilitated (Command Area: 6,896 feddan);
- Farm Irrigation systems improved (1,040 feddan);
- Water Users Associations enhanced;
- Irrigation systems improved.



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