





# Towards COP27: Arab Regional Forum on Climate Initiatives to Finance Climate Action and the SDGs Project Fact Sheet

# Hilla - Diwaniyah Irrigation Project

## **IRAQ**

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Adaptation

Sector

Water

Geographic coverage

Local

**Babil Governorate** 

#### Description

The "Hilla-Diwaniyah" irrigation project is located in Babil governorate, in the Euphrates River Basin at the southeast of Hilla city and ends in the northern of Diwaneyah governorate. The project is to be developed over a total area of around 282,000 dunum. The suggested source of irrigation water is the Shatt Al-Hilla River Basin where approximately 276,000 dunum is currently cultivated in the area (98% of total area to be implemented). Water in this project area is slightly saline with an acceptable pH in 78% of the sites.

Most earth irrigation canals in this area are old, and lining is currently being implemented for around 30,000 dunums of canals. The lack of water infrastructure used for agriculture in the area is the reason behind unorganized distribution of water, thus the need to change the location of some old ineffective earth irrigation canals.

#### **Beneficiaries**

Farmers and central authority

## **Climate rationale**

The project is on the top of the multi criteria analysis projects list.

### **Expected outcomes**

 Increasing agriculture productivity as a result of increased water availability (increase is estimated to be around 1340 USD/DU/year)

#### **GHG** reduction target

N/A

#### **Project implementation period**

10 years

#### **Total Project Cost**

Amount in National Currency: IQD 1,851,325,100,000

Amount in US\$ equivalent (per 1 August 2022 exchange rate): USD 1,268,900,000

## Financing requirement

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**Expected Tenor / Duration of financing: 10 years** 

**Project Status: NA** 

**Contractual Structure:** Government Ownership

**Project proponents:** 

Ministry of Water Resources

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# **Emblem**





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