

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

**Help small farmers and rural families adapt to climate change – supporting poor families in Ma'an Governorate, improving the income of poor families in the northern Jordan Valley, Irbid Governorate – investment in small ruminants to support poor rural families**

**Jordan**

<b>Climate finance purpose</b>
Adaptation
<b>Sector</b>
Agriculture
<b>Geographic coverage</b>
National
Ma'an, Irbid, Jordan Valley
<b>Description</b>
<p>Rural women in rural areas face two main obstacles in their efforts to improve their family income: lack of facilities to acquire skills in the production and marketing of certain agricultural commodities and the lack of facilities to enable them to undertake family income-generating projects.</p> <p>The proposed project will contribute to the creation of employment opportunities for rural women and the introduction women-led activities within the value chains development of rural products to exploit the available local skills of rural women and empower their economic and social status.</p> <p>Income generation from these activities may improve farmers' abilities to overcome climate change or extreme weather events (e.g. by increasing their ability to access health services, and food in times when land is unproductive, etc). It may also improve their abilities to adapt to long-term changes in climate by improving their access to technologies, products and crops that allow them to adapt their farming practices to new climate conditions and maintain their productivity</p> <p><i>This project was selected as one of the top 30 projects from the periodization projects list under NDC action plan- Agriculture Sector.</i></p>
<b>Beneficiaries</b>
<p>Direct beneficiaries are vulnerable groups including all women-led businesses in rural areas and vulnerable families, widows and divorced women in targeted areas.</p> <p>Indirect beneficiaries include public sector employees (including the directorates of agriculture), rural development associations and women's institutions who will receive training to contribute to the delivery of services under the program. The project will also target private sector companies, farmers, exporters and productive families in the rural areas of the project.</p>
<b>Climate rationale</b>
<p>Adaptation potential will vary depending on the relevance and the components of the income generating projects and on the content of the trainings. Income-generating projects should be developed and allocated based on an assessment of their ecosystem services, potential vulnerabilities, and the enabling environment, to ensure that cattle, crops and water can be used efficiently and that they do not damage ecosystems (e.g. maintaining sufficient soil nutrients and space for cattle to avoid soil contamination, have low risk of damage and contamination to the grey water unit, etc).</p>
<b>Expected outcomes</b>

- Creating income-generating projects and marketing rural women’s products to improve farmers’ abilities to overcome climate change or extreme weather events (e.g., by increasing their ability to access health services, and food in times when land is unproductive, etc);
- Building capacities of rural women by conducting agricultural trainings to improve efficiency in water use for agricultural production, reducing pressure on water resources and potentially increasing water availability to households and improving soil management and crop growing practices to safeguard ecosystems from long-term damage.
- Building capacities of rural women on non-agricultural practices to help support additional income generation.

**GHG reduction target**

There are little to no emissions or emission savings expected from the activities within this action in this project

**Project implementation period**

Planned start date: 31/12/2022 Planned end date: 31/12/2025

**Total Project Cost**

Amount in National Currency:

Amount in US\$ equivalent (per 1 August 2022 exchange rate):

**Financing requirement**

Amount in National Currency: JOD 6,239,376

Amount in US\$ equivalent (per 1 August 2022 exchange rate): USD 8,800,000

**Expected Tenor / Duration of financing:** 3 years

**Project Status:** Pre-feasibility

**Contractual Structure:** Time-bound concession

**Project proponents**

Ministry of Agriculture, Local NGOs and Private Sector

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