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Community-building Projects

in Health and Social Services





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All numbers are updated
as of January 2019



563

Development
projects



88

Beneficiary
countries



AED **83** billion

Total value of
funding and
investments

About the Fund

Established in 1971, Abu Dhabi Fund for Development (ADFD) is a leading national entity mandated to implement the UAE's policy of assisting developing countries through the provision of concessionary loans to finance sustainable development projects in key socio-economic sectors. The Fund has made a significant contribution to establishing the UAE among the leading global development aid providers.

In addition to its main role, ADFD manages Abu Dhabi government grants allocated to ventures that help drive growth in beneficiary countries. The Fund's responsibilities in this regard comprise direct supervision of projects to ensure their efficient, effective and timely implementation.

ADFD also invests directly in select companies active in vital sectors in developing countries, resulting either in full acquisition or joint ownership with local government or private entities, to stimulate economic development and create new jobs.

In addition to the significant role the Fund plays in achieving sustainable economic development in developing countries, ADFD also contributes to stimulating the UAE economy by financing and supporting UAE private sector investments thus enhancing competitiveness, as well as enabling quality investment opportunities that benefit the national economy.

ADFD works as a strategic partner with the governments of the beneficiary countries to support their development programmes and objectives with a focus on financing projects that improve infrastructure and elevate living standards. The Fund's scope of activity spans key sectors such as education, housing, water and electricity, agriculture, transportation, industry and renewable energy.

Over the past four and a half decades, ADFD has financed and managed development projects in **88 countries**, cumulatively valued at **AED80 billion**.

Health and Social Services Sector

In line with its goals of supporting growth in developing countries and alleviating human suffering, the Fund views the health and social services sector as one of its priorities, as it has one of the biggest impacts on people's lives while being the most efficient in elevating living standards and empowering citizens to actively participate in the development process.

Most developing countries lack the resources to meet their development needs, especially in the health and social services sector, due to rapidly rising costs, leaving large swathes of the population without access to essential services.

High population growth and rising migration from rural to urban areas contribute to expanding the gap between the capacity of the existing social and healthcare systems and the real needs of the population. This disparity has led to a decrease in life expectancy and a rise in infant mortality due to the spread of diseases, resulting in human suffering, and serious economic and social repercussions.

This explains ADFD's keenness in developing the health and social services sector through launching comprehensive projects that enhance the social stability of the population and upgrade the level of healthcare available, especially in high-density regions. To date, the Fund has contributed to financing 109 social and health projects valued at AED10.7 billion in 29 countries around the world.

ADFD's interest in the sector reflects its commitment to supporting the goals and initiatives of the United Nations that focus on eradicating diseases, reducing infant mortality, supplying vaccines and medicines, and providing adequate healthcare.

ADFD impact on the health and social service sector



13%
of cumulative ADFD
funding



25
hospitals and
healthcare centres



109
development projects



42
schools built



AED 10.7 billion
total value of funding



49
institutions built



29
beneficiary
countries



21
universities
renovated



Achieving sustainable development goals by providing health care and education services

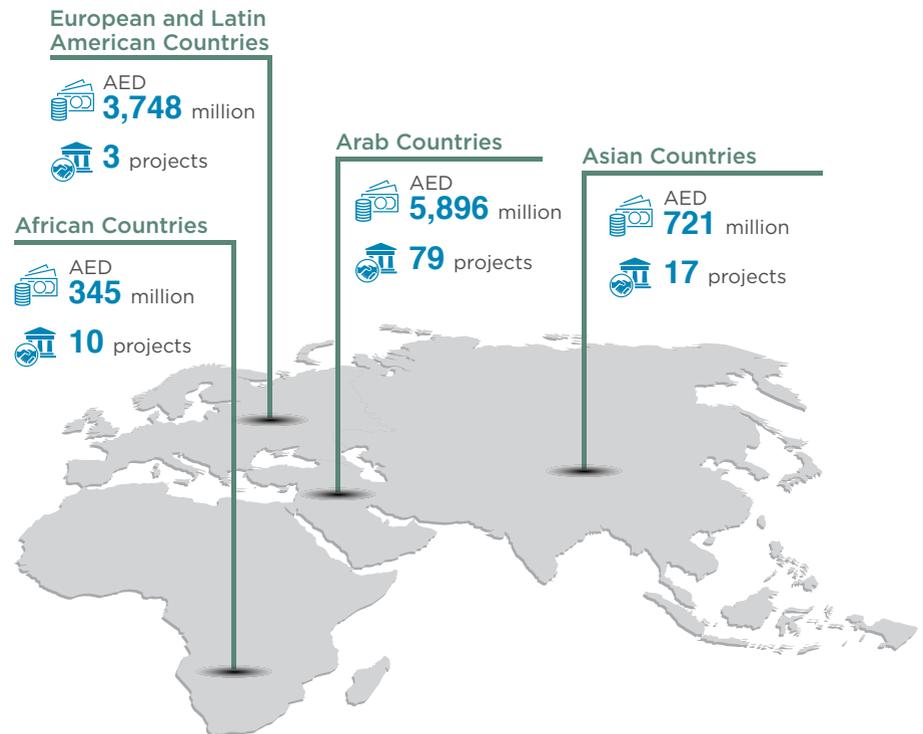
“ Providing basic health and education services to improve people's lives, reduce their suffering and bolster their social well-being. ”



Key Health and Social Services Projects

The nature of the projects financed by the Fund in the health and social services sector in developing countries ranges from the construction of hospitals, integrated and specialised health centres, as well as social development and early childhood centres to the provision of state-of-the-art equipment and facilities upgrades.

Geographic distribution of health and social services projects



Key Projects

Mauritania

Sheikh Zayed Hospital



AED **33**
million funding amount



second largest hospital
in Nouakchott



3,000
square metres



185
beds



8
operating theatres

In 1995, ADFD managed an Abu Dhabi government grant to establish the Sheikh Zayed Hospital in Nouakchott Valley in the Wadi Naeem district – one of the most important strategic projects supporting the health sector in Mauritania. Providing quality medical care in line with international standards, the 185-bed hospital with eight operating theatres that spans an area of 3,000 square metres has contributed to improving health services in the country.



Launched in 2015, the ongoing education programme includes the development and upgrade of nine public universities in Jordan. The scope involves the construction of faculty buildings, auditoriums, laboratories, power generating stations with a focus on solar energy, and water desalination plants. ADFD is also financing the provision of state-of-the-art equipment to modernise the universities' facilities and enhance the learning experience of their students.

Jordan

Public universities development programme



AED **466**
million funding amount



9
universities renovated
and equipped



13
multi-discipline colleges
established



scientific and technical
devices provided



renewable energy stations
established

Kenya

Sheikh Zayed Children Welfare Centre



AED **11**
million funding amount



10
buildings for boys



10
buildings for girls



200
children sheltered

In 1998, ADFD financed the construction of Sheikh Zayed Children Welfare Centre in Mombasa. The Centre provides shelter for children without families, supports their educational needs and cares for their well-being. The complex consists of 20 buildings housing 200 orphans and includes staff quarters as well as administrative and educational facilities.



To improve health services in the Seychelles, ADFD funded an integrated health project aimed at providing quality healthcare and treatment at an affordable cost in 1995. The scope encompassed several distinct projects, such as the construction of a 40-bed hospital on Praslin Island, as well as the renovation and upgrade of several clinics and health centres, and providing them with the necessary medical equipment. The Fund also financed the provision of essential supplies and equipment, such as a dialysis unit and ambulances, to the central hospital in the capital Victoria.



Seychelles

Integrated Health Project



AED **16**
million funding amount



40
beds



medical equipment
provided for the capital's
central hospital



several clinics and health
centres renovated

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