

 Early Warning System

AIIB-000371

Saudi Arabia: SWA Desalination Rebuild and Upgrades



Quick Facts

Countries	Saudi Arabia
Financial Institutions	Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2024-12-24
Borrower	Saudi Water Authority (SWA), Muneef Alhabbas
Sectors	Water and Sanitation
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 300.00 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 300.00 million



### Project Description

According to bank provided information, the project objective is to improve energy efficiency and to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emission through rebuilding of 'end of life' desalination plants with new technology for increasing water production capacity.

The Project supports the SWA's initiatives to modernize its fleet of desalination facilities in various regions. The Project seeks to partially finance the rebuilding of two existing Multi-stage Flash Distillation (MSF) facilities: Jubail 1 and Khobar 2 on a Non-Sovereign Backed Financing (NSBF) basis. The Project is expected to increase the capacity of each facility, reduce power requirements of the plants, and increase asset lives for at least another 20 years.



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You can submit an information request for project information at: <https://www.aiib.org/en/contact/information-request/index.html>

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The complaint submission form can be accessed in Arabic, Bahasa Indonesia, Bengali, Chinese, English, Tagalog, Hindi, Nepali, Russian, Turkish, or Urdu. The submission form can be found at: <https://www.aiib.org/en/about-aiib/who-we-are/project-affected-peoples-mechanism/submission/index.html>



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### Bank Documents

- [Project Summary \(November 25, 2024\)](#) [\[Original Source\]](#)