

# United Nations Development Group Iraq Trust Fund Project Summary Sheet

Project#: A5-15

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**Participating UN Organisation:** FAO | **Sector:** Agriculture and Food Security  
**Govt of Iraq Line Ministry Responsible:** Ministry of Agriculture (MoA)

## Programme/Project Number: A5-15

<b>Title</b>	Restoration and modernization of fish production in Iraq				
<b>Location</b>	Iraq - Center/South Provinces				
<b>Project Cost</b>	US \$ 7, 312,177				
<b>Duration</b>	2 Years				
<b>Approval Date (SC)</b>	14/07/2006	<b>Starting Date</b>	1/7/2006	<b>Completion Date</b>	31/12/2008
<b>Project Description</b>	Given the large water bodies around the project area, the high market demand for carps, the dynamic private sector, the availability of wide areas of alluvial saline soils and the feasibility of increasing production by reactivating presently non-operational farms, the project aims to support the fish sub sector in Iraq and significantly increase production from existing farms through improved and proven management and production technology.				

## Development Goal and Immediate Objectives



Improve food security through support to fish production in Iraq by stimulating the resumption of fish farming in large and small scale enterprises through practical demonstrations of applicable fish farming techniques, supply at cost of fingerlings, and on-going support of an active, applied and adaptive research programme.

The immediate objectives of this project are to:

1. Build or restore the productive capacity to supply fish fingerlings to the commercial fish farming industry.
2. Build and restore a series of fish farming enterprises in the most needed areas in Iraq.
3. Demonstrate new lake-based fish farming methods, and initiate stocking of native carps in selected lakes.
4. Improve local capacity to manage and develop the fishery/aquaculture sector.



## Outputs, Key activities and Procurement

<b>Outputs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Ecological and socio-economic baseline study conducted at Huweza marsh in favour of fisheries and aquaculture development.</li><li>- Central fish hatchery and laboratory upgraded, new hatchery for native carp breeding and two pilot cage fish culture facilities established and 15 fish farming sites rehabilitated.</li><li>- Complete closed recirculation system for exotic carp fish breeding and fingerling production established</li><li>- Capacity built among Iraqi scientists and technicians of GBFRD in aquaculture development and current fish farming practices and relevant extension material prepared.</li></ul> 
<b>Activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Ecological and socio-economic survey for Huweza marsh.</li><li>- Prepare detailed list of equipment and supplies for the central fish hatchery and laboratory, pilot cage fish culture facility, as well as designs and BOQs for building structures for the new hatchery at Huweza marsh and two pilot cage culture facilities at Hindia and Kut ,issue tenders, oversee works and installation of equipment.</li><li>- Rehabilitate 15 fish farming sites rehabilitated.</li><li>- Study tour for Iraqi scientists in China and Thailand.</li></ul> 

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