







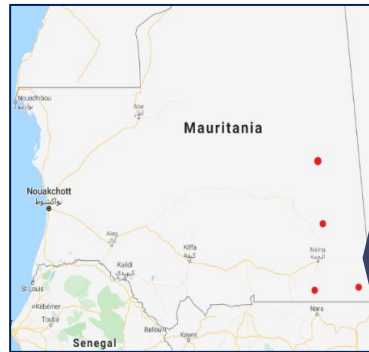


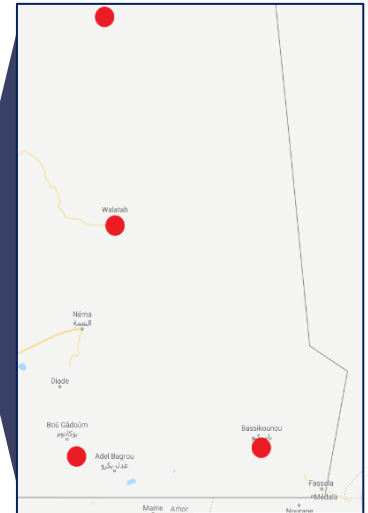
EMERGENCY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (PDU)

Project “Access to drinking water and sanitation in the 2 Hodhs regions of Mauritania (G5-2H)”

	DONOR(S) French Agency for Development
	PARTNER COUNTRY Mauritania
	CODE CMR1209
	AMOUNT 12.000.000 €
	DATES 20/03/2019- 04/12/2024
	PHASE Implementation
	PARTNERS Ministry of Economy and Finances Ministry of Water and Sanitation
	PDU PILLAR I: Access to water and sanitation



Project locations: Hodh El Chargui region (Moughataa de Amouj, Bassikounou, Oulata) ; Hodh El Gharbi region



Sahel Alliance Sector



Decentralisation and
Basic Services

DAC Sector



Drinking water supply
and sanitation

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project is part of the ongoing programme "Drinking Water and Sanitation in five Wilayas in Mauritania" funded by the AFD and the European Union and implemented in 5 regions in the south of Mauritania. The project seeks to build drinking water and sanitation infrastructure in the Hodh El Chargui and Hodh El Gharbi wilayas (regions). An emergency component allows for the rehabilitation of existing drinking water infrastructure.

The financing agreement was signed with the Ministry of Economy and Finance (MEF). The Ministry of Water and Sanitation (MHA) is in charge of the project implementation. By funding these activities from 2019 to 2022 with a total amount of 12 million Euros, the AFD is responding to the Emergency Development Programme (PDU) of the G5 Sahel under pillar 1 "Fostering the living conditions of border populations by improving basic public services, in particular access to water and sanitation".

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

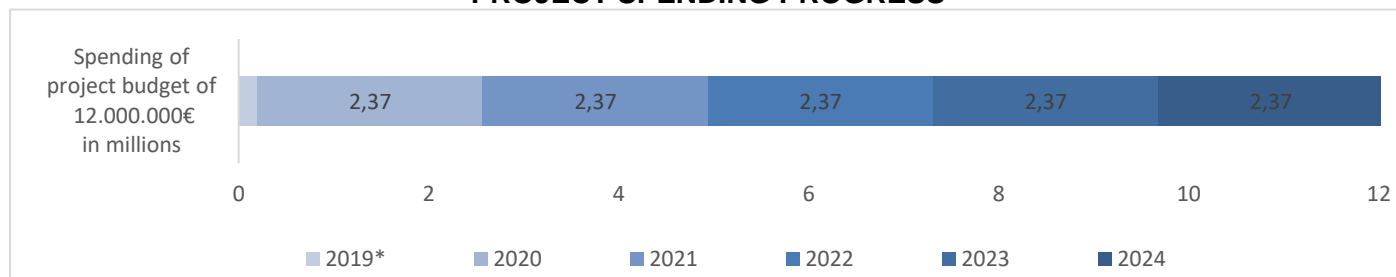
1. Provide 74 localities with more than 500 inhabitants (including 42 in Hodh El Chargui and 32 in Hodh El Gharbi) with drinking water for the benefit of 60,000 people.
2. End open defecation in 400 localities by building 157 public latrines in schools and health centres to the benefit of 170,000 people.
3. Strengthen the institutional design of semi-urban water supply services and overall capacities of the sector.



PROJECT PROGRESS

The project was launched on 30 October 2019 in Néma (Hodh El Chargui region, Mauritania) in the presence of the French Ambassador, the Mauritanian Minister of Water and Sanitation and the G5 Sahel Permanent Secretariat. This ceremony offered the opportunity to showcase a quick-impact project that was rapidly mobilised as a result of close collaboration with the Sahel Alliance, the Permanent Secretariat of the G5 and the Ministry.

PROJECT SPENDING PROGRESS



*2019: First disbursement with remaining budget from a previous project.

ACHIEVEMENTS

The borehole preparation tests were launched at the end of 2019. From March 2020 onwards, the first achievements will be visible on the ground with the construction work of the water towers of the emergency phase, in preparation for the rehabilitation and extension of existing and defective water networks.



What is the Emergency Development Programme?

In 2018, the Heads of State of the G5 Sahel asked the Executive Secretariat of the G5 Sahel (SEG5 Sahel) to launch quick-impact emergency projects. Consequently, the Emergency Development Programme (PDU) came into life in order to stabilise fragile border areas identified by the G5.

In response to the G5 Sahel's request to finance the PDU, the Sahel Alliance's members collectively mobilised 199 million Euro dedicated to 21 projects and programmes in total. These projects meet the following 3 criteria:

- I. The project is located in sensitive cross-border areas as identified by the G5
- II. The project responds to specific thematic or sectoral issues
- III. Actual achievements are visible by the end of 2018 / beginning of 2019