







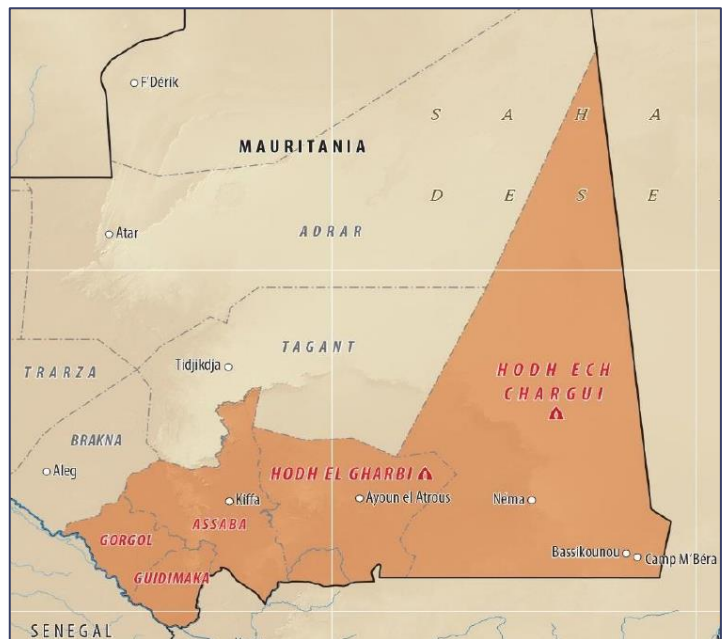


EMERGENCY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (PDU)

Mauritania Sectoral Water and Sanitation Project (PSEA)

	DONOR(S) The World Bank
	COUNTRY Mauritania
	CODE P167328
	AMOUNT USD 49 million
	DATES March 2020 – 2026
	PHASE Start-up phase
	IMPLEMENTING AGENCY Ministry of Water and Sanitation
	PDU PILLAR 1: Access to water and sanitation



Project localities: the "Poverty Triangle" (Assaba, Gorgol, Guidimakha) and the Eastern Hodhs (Hodh ech Chargui, Hodh el Gharbi).

DESCRIPTION

This World Bank's Sectoral Water and Sanitation Project aims to increase the population's access to improved water supply and sanitation services in selected rural and semi-urban areas in Mauritania and to strengthen the operational performance of Mauritanian water and sanitation institutions. The project is part of the G5 Sahel's [Emergency Development Programme \(PDU\)](#) and supports the operationalisation of Pillar I of the PDU: *Contributing to the improvement of the living conditions of the populations through better access to water and sanitation.*

The overall budget of the project amounts to USD 49 million, including the World Bank's contribution of USD 44 million and the Mauritanian government's own contribution of USD 5 million.

Sahel Alliance Sector



Decentralisation and
Basic Services

DAC Sector



Drinking water supply
and sanitation

INTERVENTION LOGIC

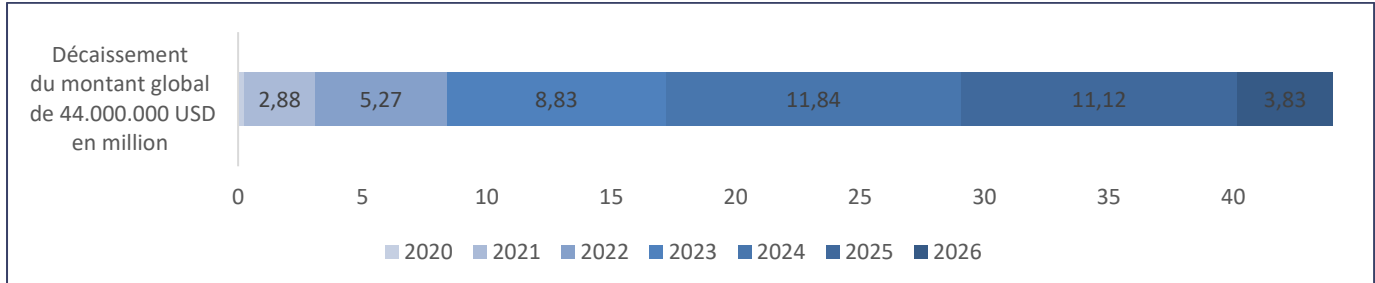
The project is structured around 4 components:

- **Component 1:** Improving Access to Water and Sanitation in Gorgol, Guidimakha and Assaba (\$22.5 million)
- **Component 2:** Improving sustainable access to safe water and sanitation for refugees and host communities in Hodh Ech Chargui and Hodh El Gharbi (\$12.7 million)
- **Component 3:** Institutional Support, Capacity Building and Project Management (\$13.8 million)
- **Component 4:** Emergency Response Component (\$0 million but reallocation of funds possible)

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

The funding was approved by the World Bank in March 2020. Field activities will start soon.

Graph: Planned World Bank Disbursements



ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE

The environmental and social studies required for the preparation of the project have been jointly developed by the World Bank and the Mauritanian Government:

- The Environmental and Social Management Framework
- The Relocation Policy Framework
- The Stakeholder Mobilisation Plan
- The Workforce Management Procedure
- The Complaint Management Mechanism

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 226 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