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### Development of the limited

### What we control, we want to manage efficiently Through the guiding documents

Palestinian Development Plan- 2014-2016

Water Sector Strategy 2014-2016

# National Water Sector Strategy 2014-2016

#### **Water Sector Vision:**

Water and wastewater organized sector contributing to the promotion of the Palestinian sovereignty and ensuring the sustainability of water resources in accordance with proper principles and strong socio-economic environment conducive to development and achievement of the basic Palestinian demands.

Strategic Objectives & Sectoral Policies
Strategic Objective (1): Ensuring good
governance principles and institutional and
legal environment that guarantees equitable
distribution of the service.

- \* Policy (1): Completion of the general correction frame of the water sector through inclusive sectoral coordination.
- \* Policy (2): Enforcement of the new water law and preparing the relevant systems in addition to correcting the legal system that governs the water sector, including water resources ownership.
- \* **Policy (3):** Developing the capacity of the institutions working in the water sector and promoting information sharing among the beneficiaries of IT development.

Strategic Objective (2): Integrated management and sustainable development of water resources in consideration of quality and quantity.

- \* Policy (1): Increasing and developing resources and rehabilitation of their infrastructure. Focus on the non conventional Resources ( WWR, and SWD)
- \* Policy (2): Cooperation regarding regional projects.
- \* Policy (3): Continue to participate in negotiations

## Strategic Objective (3): equitable and credible water services.

- \* **Policy (1):** Providing water of good quantity and quality for all communities.
- \* **Policy (2):** Ensuring society participation in planning, operation, management and monitoring.

**Strategic Objective (4):** Improving sanitation service and infrastructure to protect water resources against pollution.

- \* Policy (1): Connecting communities with sewage disposal networks.
- \* Policy (2): Building water encashment areas and wastewater treatment plants.

# Strategic Objective (5): Ensuring financial sustainability for water and sanitation service providers.

- \* Policy (1): Implementing the rule that the consumer and the pollutant bear the full cost of the water and sanitation service in accordance with the sustainable financial strategy of the sector.
- \* Policy (2): Cooperation with the Ministry of the Local Government to benefit from the economic volume of the water services providers.
- \* **Policy (3):** Establishing regional water undertakings working in accordance with non-profit commercial principles in a way that achieves the principle of cost retrieval.

#### Water Sector Architecture According to The NEW Law

#### **COM**

Regulatory Level
Monitoring and Regulation The Water/WW
service provisions

WRC

Policy and planning Level

PWA the include PMU Functions

Operation Level- Bulk Supply +Water supply- WW collection and Treatment

Service Providers
Water Utilities- aim to
Upscale the Water Dept and
JSC

National Water Company

### Monitoring for compliance

- PWA as governmental body is conducting regular monitoring program for both quality and quantity
- Inspectors gathering data to ensure compliance
- Customers complains

## level of Compliance

The level of compliance in Palestine is unsatisfactory and this back to the following reasons :

- Lack of awareness
- Inadequate regulations
- Lack of inspectors
- Lack of economic incentives
- Poor Coordination between governmental bodies
- Political situation
- Insufficient enforcement.

# What should be done To promote Compliance

- Develop effective Regulations
- By Education , Information dissemination ,and Technical Assistance
- By Building Public support and stakeholders involvement
- By publicizing success stories
- By developing economic incentives
- Adoption of Penalty incentives base approach.

# Thank you