

Jordan

Update on Progress

- ★ In 2008, Jordan completed a Constraints Analysis and Sector Analysis that highlighted key challenges to long-term, sustainable economic growth in Jordan. Jordan also conducted a broad, participatory consultative process that included town hall meetings in each of the country’s twelve governorates. This process provided opportunities for a cross section of citizens, civil society organizations, and the private sector to share issues, concerns, and potential investment ideas. These inputs identified the availability of water as a constraint to economic growth. In July, Jordan hosted a broad stakeholder workshop to identify key problems that might be addressed by an MCC investment in the water sector.
- ★ Based on the workshop results, Jordan developed a “concept paper” focused on reducing non-revenue water and increasing wastewater treatment and reuse and submitted it to MCC in November 2008. The proposed water delivery and wastewater projects focus on Zarqa, one of Jordan’s poorest governorates and home to its second and fourth largest cities.
- ★ In June, 2009 MCC and the Government of Jordan entered into a 609(g) grant agreement that will provide up to \$13.34 million to assist in developing a large-scale MCC Compact program focused on poverty reduction through economic growth. The grant will finance feasibility studies and environmental and social assessments for water and wastewater network projects, and technical advisors to help negotiate the expansion of an existing wastewater treatment plant.
- ★ Under MCC’s Threshold Program, Jordan completed a successful project to modernize customs in January 2009, and will complete a project to strengthen local governance mechanisms in nine municipalities in September 2009. The on-going program is managed by the United States Agency for International Development.

Compact Status

StatusCompact Eligible

Country Information

Population5,600,000*

GNI Per Capita\$2850*

Compact Process

Stage

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Eligibility Notification	11-08-2006
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Concept Paper Receipt	11-17-2008
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Concept Assessment Memo	02-17-2009
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Congressional Notification on Compact Negotiations

Investment Memo

Board Approval

Compact Signing

Entry Into Force

Initial Disbursement