# **PROJECT FACTSHEET**

Safe Drinking Water and Sanitation Management in Tajikistan Project (SWSMT), Phase II



### Background

Despite the fact that Tajikistan possesses huge reserves of potable water, people's access to safe drinking water and sanitation remains low. In Khatlon and the GBAO regions, 44% of the population lacks access to safe drinking water and less than 4% is served by sewerage. This has a direct impact on health and wellbeing.

Poorly financed public institutions struggle to modernize existing systems or construct new ones, a situation that is exacerbated by falling income levels due to Covid-19 and inadequate tariffs. Low institutional capacity of management structures, unclear roles and responsibilities over regulation, operation and maintenance of water systems and gaps in the regulatory and policy framework aggravates the situation and limits the country progress towards achievement of SDG 6 targets by 2030. DURATION: 2022-2026

TOTAL BUDGET CHF – 4,8 MIO

PARTNERS: THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND WATER RESOURCES THE KMK/TOJIKOBDEHOT LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES

LOCATION: KHATLON AND GBAO REGIONS IMPLEMENTING AGENCY: AKDN

## **Goals and objectives**



The health and resilience of targeted communities is strengthened through the provision of safely managed, sustainable and climate resilient drinking water and sanitation services and through improved sanitary conditions.

- Objective 1: People in the target areas have access to and make use of sustainable, safely managed drinking water services and sanitation facilities
- Objective 2: People in the target areas adopt correct sanitation and hygiene practices and behaviours
- Objective 3: Local and regional institutions and service providers manage drinking water and sanitation services efficiently, effectively and sustainably
- Objective 4: National institutions develop, adopt and implement policies conducive to the expansion of sustainable and equitable access to safely managed water supply and sanitation services

#### Implementaion of the Project

The project will allow people to use safe and affordable drinking water as well as equitable sanitation and hygiene thereby progressing towards the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 6 in Tajikistan. An integrated planning approach supports the building of the local and national capacities and strengthen the policy frameworks to enable sustainable Water Sanitation and Hygiene WASH services to the population of Eastern Khatlon and Gorno-Badakshan Autonomous Oblast (GBAO).

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