Today, about 2.5 billion people are estimated to remain around the world in providing potable water and sanitation services to the needy. Water and sanitation is considered an essential human right. To ensure the right to safe drinking water and sanitation for all, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set a target to provide access to safe drinking water for everyone by 2030, and to achieve universal sanitation by 2030. To achieve these targets, an estimated investment of USD 17 billion is required annually until 2030.

Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development
Water and Sanitation Sector

The Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development (KFAD) has been playing a central role in supporting the water and sanitation sector through its operations and projects financed by national development banks and funds. Throughout its five decades of operation, KFAD has been supporting developing nations in achieving their sustainable development objectives and fulfilling their human rights. To achieve sustainable development, the FUND continues to support the water and sanitation sector in developing countries through projects financed by national development banks and funds.

In a world confronted with increasing water scarcity and environmental challenges, the FUND has been progressively supporting developing nations achieve their sustainable development agenda. Throughout the years, KUWAIT FUND evolved as a reliable partner to many developing nations in the provision of water and sanitation services.

Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development Water and Sanitation Operations

As of August 2013, the FUND had supported more than 800 projects in more than 100 countries worldwide, with a total value nearing USD 17 billion. This has helped improve access to water and sanitation services, support small and medium private sector projects financed by national development banks and funds, and support projects financed by national development banks and funds. In addition, KFAD has also been supporting projects in the field of water and sanitation through its operations.

**Distribution of Kuwait Fund Operations**

- Central, South Asia: 59%
- East Asia: 11%
- Latin America and the Caribbean: 4%
- Countries: 3%
- Others: 11%

**Regional Distribution of Kuwait Fund Water and Sanitation Operations**

- Middle East: 35%
- Central, South Asia: 19%
- Others: 5%

**Sectoral Distribution of Kuwait Fund Operations**

- Agriculture: 30%
- Industry: 30%
- Social Services: 10%
- Transport: 5%
- Other: 15%
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