



## Press Release

# Central Agency for Public Mobilization And Statistics

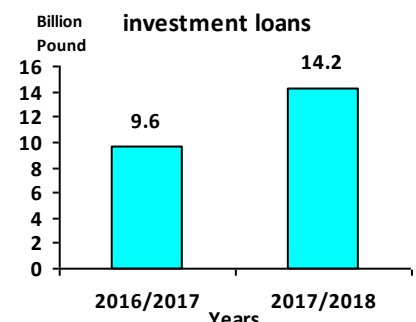
### 47.2% An increase in investment loans granted to farmers and agricultural projects in 2017/2018

Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics ( CAPMAS ) has Issued on 21 / 8 / 2019 the Annual Bulletin on agricultural sector cooperative activity in 2017/2018 The most important indicators are as follows:

- Number of Agricultural Cooperative associations reached 5801 in 2017/2018, compared to 5809 associations in 2016/2017, a decrease of 0.1%.

- **Short, medium and long term total investment loans**

Total investment loans granted to farmers reached 14.2 billion pounds in 2017/2018, compared to 9.6 Billion pounds in 2016/2017, an increase of 47.2 % distributed as follows:



- Total short-term loans reached 7.7 billion pounds in 2017/2018 compared to 5.6 billion pounds in 2016/2017, an increase of 36.2%.
- Total medium-term loans reached 6.2 billion pounds in 2016/2017, compared to 3.5 billion pounds in 2016/2017, an increase of 76.5%.  
Increase in short- and medium-term loans was due to an increase in livestock loans, an expansion in granting business loans related to agriculture, and loans with various deposits.
- Total long-term loans reached 243.2 million pounds in 2017/2018, compared to 446.3 million pounds in 2016/2017, a decrease of 45.5%.
- Decline in value of long-term loans is due to decrease in value of loans for youth, employees, international cooperation projects and consumer loans.