



Press Release

Central Agency for Public Mobilization And Statistics

On the Occasion of

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2020

88.5% of Egyptian families are under the umbrella of Food Support System

Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS) issued on 17/10 /2020 a press release on the occasion of the International Day for eradication of Poverty, which is celebrated on October 17th of every year, since it was approved by the United Nations General Assembly in 1993, with the aim of enhancing awareness of reducing poverty and extreme poverty in all Countries, especially in developing countries. Celebration theme of this year 2020 is: "Acting together to achieve social and environmental justice for all."

The state exerts many efforts to protect the poor and most vulnerable households, with the aim of improving quality of life of citizens and ensuring a better standard of their economic, social and environmental lives. Where the social programs launched by the government come within the National Strategy for Sustainable Development goals 2030, to support poor and lift them out of poverty through:

1- Food Support Programs:

- **Covering ration cards for households according to place of residence:**



95.5%

Support system covers 88.5% of Egyptian households, 95.5% in rural areas compared to 80.2% in urban areas

80.2%

- 84.5 billion pounds to support food supplies and a loaf of bread in the fiscal year 2020/2021 budget
- 36.5 billion pounds to support ration card goods for the 63.5 million beneficiaries, by (50 pounds per month for each of 4 individuals registered on the card, if more than 4 individuals 25 pounds (person / month).

- 42.6 billion Pounds to support a loaf of bread 65.3 million beneficiaries, by 5 loaves for citizen per day; it costs the state 3.2 billion pounds the difference of bread points.
- 2.2 billion Pounds to support flour for beneficiaries who counted to 4.5 million individuals, by 10 kilograms of flour (person / month).

2- Conditional Cash Support Program Takaful and Karama:

Takaful and Karama programs began in 2015, the number of beneficiaries was 2.5 million households, including 9.3 million individuals, 86% of whom benefited from “Takaful” program and 14% “Karama” with a value of 6.6 billion pounds compared to 3.6 million households that included about 15 million individuals with the support of 18.5 billion EGP for 2019/2020.

3- Social Housing Support Program:

Volume of support provided by the state to support social housing program increased from 3.9 billion pounds in 2019/2020 to 5.7 billion pounds in 2020/2021, an increase of 1.8 billion pounds, which represents what it cost the state in terms of support for low-income beneficiaries of this program. This program aims to support a number of 120 thousand housing units.

4- Karim Housing Initiative:

It was launched in November 2017, aims to improve health indicators for households who receive a pension “Takaful and Karama” in poor and underserved areas, reduce pollution and mortality rates for children under the age of five.

5- Hayah Karima Initiative:

- It is an initiative launched by the state to improve quality of life for the most needy villages, especially in Upper Egypt villages, 103 billion pounds have been allocated to “Hayah Karima” initiative for those who are unable, to develop the villages most in need, and to provide all facilities, health and educational services, and sports cultural activities.
- 143 villages were developed in 11 governorates, including 7 governorates from Upper Egypt, and 3 million households benefited from the initiative, which about 15 million individuals, in addition to the entry of 732 thousand new households into the cash support program “Takaful and Karama” during the period from January 1, 2020 until now.
- Asyut governorate obtained the largest financing of 115.8 million pounds, then Suhag governorate with 28.8 million pounds, Qena 17.1 million pounds, and Beheira 4.2 million pounds, followed by Aswan Governorate 3.4 million pounds, Luxor Governorate 2.3 million pounds, then Minya Governorate 1.1 million pounds, Qalubia 1.1 million, and Elwady Elgede 1 million pounds.

6- The national program for protection of homeless children and adults

The program was launched in 2017 and started at the level of 10 governorates, and it expanded to include three new governorates, so that the total is 13 governorates that include the highest proportions of homeless children, with a funding of 214 million pounds, and it works to provide a decent life for them, integrate them into society and modify their behavior, Enrolling children in different educational stages and encouraging them, making rehabilitation programs for them, teaching them crafts and helping them to find job opportunities after reaching the legal age, its financial value is 214 million pounds.

7- Hemaya program

The state paid attention to informal employment to improve the level of the most needy groups through a number of projects that raise their standard of living, and the Ministry of Manpower launched a "Hemaya" campaign to register this category, and allocated 100 million pounds to distribute "safety" certificates to irregular workers in all governorates of the Republic to provide a decent life to them.

A grant of 500 pounds was disbursed in 3 installments, totaling 1500 pounds, for irregular workers affected by the Corona pandemic, for a total of 2 billion and 400 million pounds.

8- Health care programs for unable people

Increase support for health insurance, medicines, and treatment of those unable at the expense of the state to reach 10.6 billion pounds and continue the gradual implementation of comprehensive health insurance system and expand it to include the largest number of governorates, including 865 million pounds, comprehensive health insurance support for those unable who hold social security pension, 3328 million pounds for Public Authority for Health Care.

Data sources:

- Ministry of Finance website: the financial statement for draft state budget for the fiscal year 2020-2021.
- Ministry of Planning and Economic Development Website.
- Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics.
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