



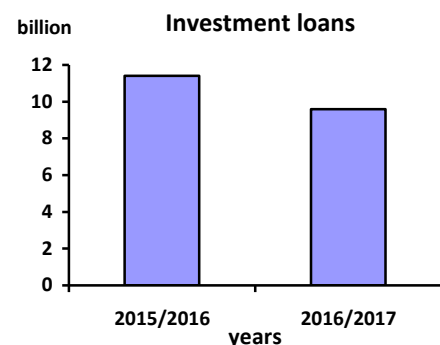
# Press Release

## Central Agency for Public Mobilization And Statistics

### An increase with 26.7% in medium-term investment loans granted to farmers and agricultural projects in 2016/2017

The Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS) has Issued on 3 /9 / 2018 the Annual Bulletin on agricultural sector cooperative activity in 2016/2017 The most important indicators are as the following:

- The number of Agricultural Cooperative associations reached 5809 in 2016/2017 compared to 5801 associations in 2015/2016, with an increase of 0.1%.
- **Short, medium and long term total investment loans**  
Total investment loans granted to farmers reached 9.6 billion pounds in 2016/2017 compared to 11.4 Billion pounds in 2015/2016 , with a decrease of 15.8 % distributed as the following:
  - The total short-term loans reached 5.6 billion pounds in 2016/2017 compared to 8.2 billion pounds in 2015/2016, with a decrease of 30.9%.
  - The total medium-term loans reached 3.5 billion pounds in 2016/2017 compared to 2.8 billion pounds in 2015/2016, an increase of 26.7%. due to the increase in livestock loans and the expansion of loans with various deposits and investment benefits.
  - The total long-term loans reached 446.3 million pounds in 2016/2017 compared to 469.6 million pounds in 2015/2016, a decrease of 4.9%. The decline in the value of short- and long-term loans is due to a decline in the value of workers loans and agriculture-related work.



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