

## PRESS RELEASE

### SDRPY Establishes New Electricity Infrastructure in Hajjah

Riyadh / 21 August 2019 - Hundreds of families in the northwestern province of Hajjah, Yemen have started to benefit from the new electrical infrastructure completed with the support of the Saudi Development and Reconstruction Program for Yemen (SDRPY).

Completed construction of the new electric system increases production capacity in the province, stabilizing the power grid, increasing the number of beneficiaries, and improving the daily life of residents.

Engineer Ahmed Modkhali, SDRPY's office director in Hajjah, said the electrical upgrade is one of numerous projects in the province. Stressing ongoing efforts, he stated, "We are working on several new vital projects still needed in Hajjah province."

SDRPY announced the launch of several projects in April, including 11 new projects in the Midi district of Hajjah, identified as one of the Yemeni governorates most in need, supporting agriculture, water, fisheries, electricity and healthcare sectors.

"I am very happy with this project, which is already benefiting the province," Modkhali added. "The completion of this project in a short time is a great success, and its services are urgently needed."

Residents and displaced people living in Hajjah's Hayran and Midi districts will benefit from the newly built system with improved services to medical centers, utilities, housing and shops.

The inauguration was attended by Hajjah Governor Major General Abdulkarim Al-Sunani, SDRPY Director of Projects and Studies Eng. Hasan M. Alattas and a number of Yemeni officials.

Other projects launched in Hajjah include solar-powered streetlights and groundwater wells, distribution of water tankers and power generators, school construction and rehabilitation, Fasht island health center rehabilitation, construction of a fishing boat maintenance workshop, renovations to government buildings, and the provision of agricultural equipment, greenhouses and their supplies.

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**PRESS RELEASE**

**SDRPY Completes Solar Powered Well Projects to Provide Clean Drinking Water**

Riyadh / 20 August 2019 – The Saudi Development and Reconstruction Program for Yemen (SDRPY) completed several potable water projects by drilling wells in Al Mahra province.

Solar technology was used in the design, and each well includes a water tank. Production has already begun to meet the clean water needs of province residents.

The newest wells to be completed are in the Ghaydah district of Al Mahra province.

Abdulahadi Alkahtani, SDRPY Director in Al Mahra said, “We have inaugurated a number of wells operating on solar power as part of a larger group of wells, the most recent in Tnhalen and Dethort, with the Yemeni government and the local province authority, under the guidance of the program supervisor, Ambassador Mohammed bin Saeed Al Jaber.”

Alkahtani explained that part of SDRPY’s goal in digging these wells was supporting sustainability through solar energy and providing permanent water tanks. Several water pump distribution system tests were conducted successfully.

The depth of the Dethort well is 90 meters, while Tnhalen is 190 meters. They are equipped with 5.5 horsepower submersible solar pumps and a 7,000-liter reservoir. New distribution networks were constructed to supply immediate and surrounding areas water for drinking, irrigation and livestock.

SDRPY has supported immediate water sector needs by distributing 120 water tankers to provinces throughout Yemen during the initial stage of this group of projects. This first step was needed until more sustainable water projects could be brought online.

The program is also working on several additional water sector projects including construction of a 20-kilometer water pipeline in the Al Ghaydah district of Al Mahra, drilling more than 40 additional new wells distributed across the Yemeni governorates, and construction of water reservoirs and dams.

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