CHANGE, IMPACT, SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

HOW THE ISLAMIC DEVELOPMENT BANK GROUP IS IMPROVING PEOPLE’S LIVES
FOREWORD

I am pleased to present these 12 selected success stories about projects financed by the IsDB Group, all of which have significantly contributed to economic development and social progress in IsDB Member Countries.

These success stories show how the IsDB is working with its Member Countries and partners to implement projects, transfer knowledge, share best practices for greater impact, and successfully deliver innovative solutions to development challenges.

The Bank is committed to contributing to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by advancing effective strategies for development and cooperation among Member Countries. This requires greater engagement with stakeholders, end beneficiaries and key development partners. I invite you to gain some key insights into the IsDB’s approach to sustainable development by enjoying these inspiring stories.

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TURNING WASTE INTO ENERGY
Using trash that would have gone to landfill to generate electricity, this project not only cleaned up Baku in Azerbaijan but generates enough power for 50,000 households each year and cuts out over 500,000 tons of CO₂ emissions.

WATER AND HYGIENE FOR HEALTH
Protecting drinking-water sources from cyclone-caused coastal storm surges, improving sanitation and delivering education on hygiene all mean safer water and improved health for 1.5 million people in Bangladesh.

COTTON IS ‘WHITE GOLD’
The lives of an estimated 400,000 rural people in Burkina Faso have been improved by funding to enable timely payment to cotton farmers. Supporting cotton production builds export revenues and the economy as a whole.

READY FOR TAKE OFF
Jordan’s state-of-the-art Queen Alia airport (the first in the Middle East to be accredited carbon neutral), built through public–private partnership, is now a regional transport hub with capacity for 12 million passengers per year.
SELF-SUFFICIENT SOCIAL BENEFIT
The ‘Waqf Tower’ building generates US$1.8m annual cashflow for the Fujairah Welfare Association in the United Arab Emirates. Thousands of families, orphans and low-income women are now supported sustainably with dignity.

EMPOWERING YOUNG PEOPLE
To reach thousands of underachieving and unemployed young people in Muslim communities across the United Kingdom, The Prince’s Trust was supported to turn around the lives of over 2,500 young participants through educational support and training.

COMMERCE AGAINST CONFLICT
Making private-sector resilience just as important as traditional aid in war-torn places, 500 micro, small and medium sized enterprises were given training to counter the effects of conflict on businesses in Yemen.

BETTER ROAD INCREASES TRADE
Kazakhstan is a natural hub between Russia, China, Central Asia and Europe. Construction of a world-class road has halved journey times and freight costs, helping increase trade.

GETTING GIRLS TO SCHOOL
Developing infrastructure for five schools in rural Mozambique has created a better learning environment for 40,000 students. Pass rates went up from 55% to 80% and there are now more girls in school.

BUILDING LIVELIHOODS
Supporting farmers through 200 microfinance projects to lift livestock productivity and raise food security and incomes, this and other elements of the project enhanced the lives of more than 1 million people in Senegal.

TURNING ON THE TAP
Through a water supply network constructed to bring safe drinking water to more people in rural regions of Togo, this project beat its target of helping 128,300 beneficiaries. The new facilities actually benefit 170,000 people.

HIGH-QUALITY HEALTH FOR ALL
To help Turkey deliver universal healthcare coverage, a public–private partnership to build a high-quality hospital was fully supported by Islamic finance. Over 100,000 outpatients and more than 13,000 inpatients already benefit every month.

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