Baghdad-4 ePRT Mahmudiyah, Iraq

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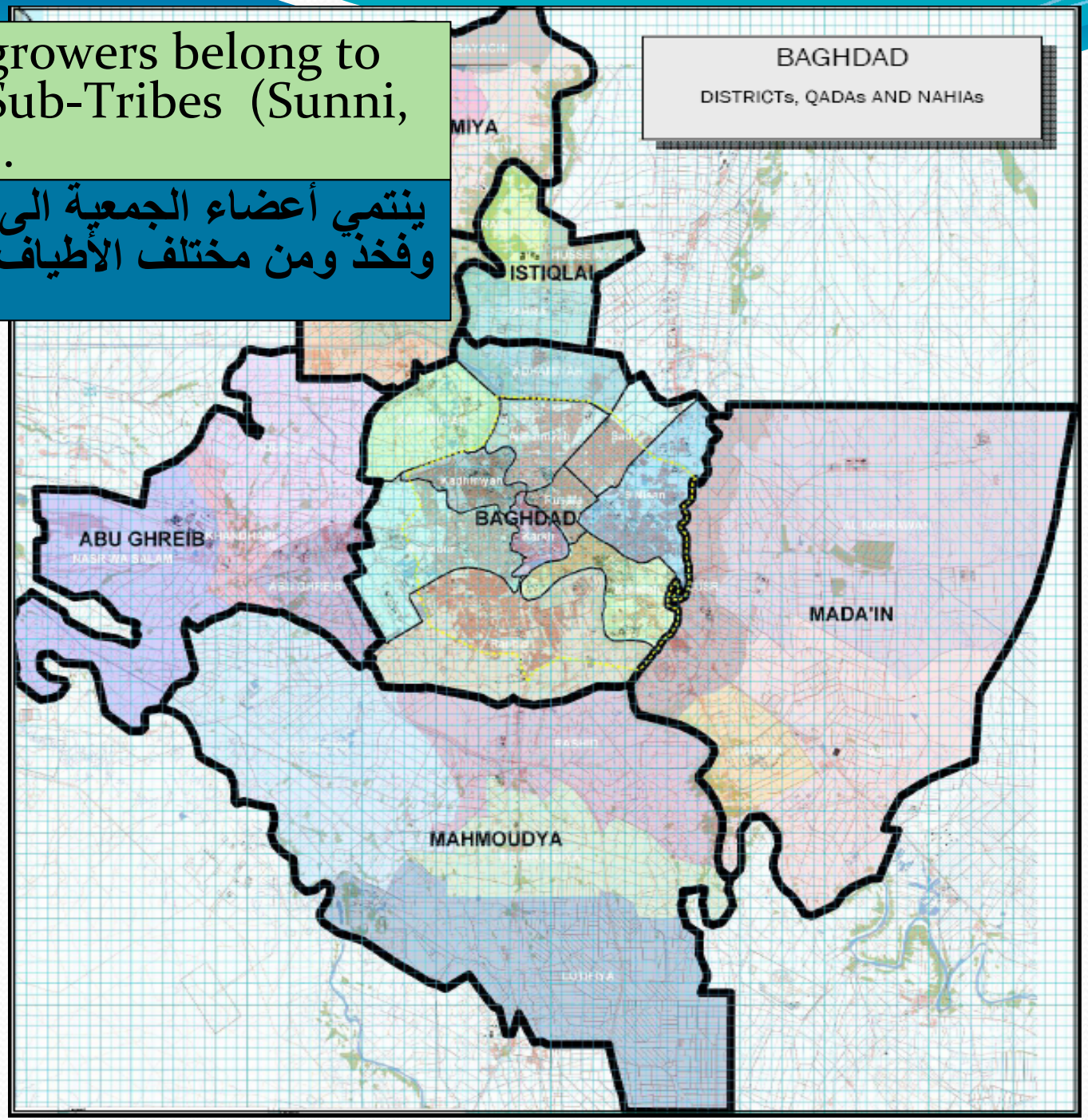
Mahmudiyah growers belong to 28 Tribes and Sub-Tribes (Sunni, Shia and Kurd).

ينتمي أعضاء الجمعية الى اكثر من 28 عشيرة وفخذ ومن مختلف الأطياف (شيعة ،سنة،أكراد)



Agricultural Terrain of Mahmudiyah, Iraq

What we have to work with:

Agricultural Terrain of MMD, Iraq, Greenhouses

Agricultural Projects:

1. Al-Kanz Poultry Processing Plant:

Al-Kanz

Poultry Processing Plant

SUMMARY:

- CF $1.6 million CERP project.
- Processor will be the only "halal" (Islamic Processed) chicken produced in Iraq.
- Employment, 3 shifts, processing and transportation.

2. MMD Poultry Association:

MMD Poultry Association

SUMMARY:

- Established February 2008.
- 130 members with over 150 active chicken coops, from all 4 Nihiyas in Mahmudiyah: Lutifiyah, Mahmudiyah, Yousifiyah, and Al-Rashid.
- Association profit sharing contract of 22% with Al-Kanz Processing Plant.
- Completed 3rd Cycle delivery of over 62,000 chicks (Feb-March 2009).
- Working capital of over $100,000 from chick & feed purchases from CF funding.
- QRF funding purchased office furniture for administrative office, located at processor plant.

MMD Poultry Association Breeder Farm

SUMMARY:

- Joint project of IRD and QRF.
- Production estimated 1.3 million fertilized eggs per year (250 eggs/year/bird).
- Mahmudiyah area within a 1 hour's drive of 70% of Iraq's 26 million population. Baghdad's population is 6 million.
- This project is the last infrastructure capacity building project for a self-sufficient poultry industry in MMD.
- The poultry industry will have growers, processor, fertilized egg production, and hatchery capacity.

MMD Poultry Processing Industry

MMD Poultry Association
Breeder House
(IRD & QRF, 2010)

Fertilized Eggs purchased from outside:
Turkey; Erbil, Iraq

Al_Qaridi Hatchery

Feed, purchased outside:
Syria, Turkey, Jordan

MMD Poultry Assoc

- 130 members

22% profit to MMD Poultry Assoc

Al Kanz Processing Plant

- CERP Funding, $1.6 million
- July 2009, completion date

Marketed to Mahmudiyah & Baghdad (6 million population)

3. Ag Association :

Mahmudiyah Higher Ag Association

MMD Higher Ag Association

SUMMARY:

- NGO established 2009.
- Membership between 25-30 local Ag Associations.
- Over 60,000 famer-members.
- Membership represents approximately 85% of Ag land in Mahmudiyah Qadah.
- Five - 75 hp tractors purchased by CF funds, rented to Ag Assoc members at below market rate.
- Coordinated distribution, placement, construction supplies, and installation of 200 CF funded 1-4 plot (750-3,000 sq meter) drip irrigation systems.

Drip Irrigation Project

MMD Higher Ag Association

SUMMARY:

- President, Dr. Mizher Al-Hamdaini, University Utah, Ph.D. (Irrigation Engineering)

- QRF funding $24,970 for building materials for construction of HQ administration bldg.

- Develop demonstration farm.
  Installation / training of a 3,000 sq meter drip irrigation system for contractors & workers. QRF project.

- Other plans for Admin HQ / demonstration farm:
  1. Fruit tree orchard
  2. Fish Pond
  3. Dairy Cooperative
  4. Production/nursery greenhouses

MMD Higher Ag Association

SUMMARY:

- Administrative Bldg construction as of March 26, 2009.

What's Next?

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