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MAJOR GAMBIA GOVERNMENT **DEVELOPMENT** **PROJECTS** APPROVED FOR 2024

INTRODUCTION

This report provides a budgetary analysis of The Gambia government's major development projects approved by Cabinet and the National Assembly for fiscal year 2024. Each development project was awarded and approved a budget of more than 500 million Dalasis to be spent in a single year.

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APPROVED BUDGETS OF MAJOR DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS FOR 2024

AGRICULTURE

1. Rice Value Chain IDB: D560 Million

- **Project Operating Costs** = D560 million [D315 million in project grants, expected from Islamic Development Bank (IDB); D240 million in external loans, also expected from IDB; D5 million in Government Local Fund (GLF), expected from the Central Government of The Gambia].

HIGHER EDUCATION

2. University of The Gambia Campus Project: D1.418 Billion

- **Schools, Laboratories and Facilities** = D1.416 billion [D1.088 billion in external loans, expected from the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA); D320 million in external loans, expected from Islamic Development Bank (IDB); D7.5 million in Government Local Fund (GLF), expected from the Central Government of The Gambia].
- **Project Operating Costs** = D2 million in GLF, expected from the Central Government.

HEALTH

3. General Administration: D805 Million

- **Laboratory Equipment and Instruments** = D742 million in project grants, expected from the International Development Association (IDA)-World Bank.
- **Medical and Hospital Equipment** = D53 million in project grants, expected from IDA-World Bank.
- **Wells, Boreholes, Water Points & Reticulation Systems** = D5 million in Government Local Fund (GLF), expected from the Central Government of The Gambia.
- **Project Operating Costs** = D5 million in project grants, expected from IDA-World Bank.

PETROLEUM & ENERGY

4. ECOWAS Regional Electricity Access Project (ECO-REAP): D2.051 Billion

- **Plants, Machinery and Equipment** = D1.14 billion in project grants, expected from the International Development Association (IDA)-World Bank.
- **Energy Generating Equipment** = D895.98 million in project grants, expected from IDA-World Bank.
- **Project Operating Costs** = D15.4 million in project grants, expected from IDA-World Bank.

5. Gambia Electricity Restoration & Modernization Project (GERMP): D1.7 Billion

- **Energy Generating Equipment** = D1.39 billion [D1.142 billion in project grants, expected from the International Development Association (IDA)-World Bank; D250 million in project grants, expected from the European Investment Bank (EIB)].
- **Project Operating Costs** = D313.95 million [D250 million in project grants, expected from the European Investment Bank (EIB); D38.5 million in Government Local Fund (GLF), expected from the Central Government of The Gambia; D18.67 million in project grants, expected from IDA-World Bank; D6.78 million in project grants, expected from the European Union (EU)].

6. Gambia Electricity Access Project(GEAP): D556.4 Million

- **Project Operating Costs** = D290.5 million [D278.2 million in project grants, expected from France; D12.3 million in project grants, expected from the African Development Bank (ADB)].
- **Energy Generating Equipment** = D233.9 million in project grants, expected from ADB.
- **Plants, Machinery and Equipment** = D32 million in project grants, expected from ADB.



TRANSPORT,WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

7. Road Transport Management: D592.5 Million

- **Roads and Bridges** = D500 million in Government Local Fund (GLF), expected from the Central Government of The Gambia.
- **Relocation of Services** = D50 million in GLF, expected from the Central Government.
- **Land Compensation** = D25 million in GLF, expected from the Central Government.
- **Consultancy** = D15 million in GLF, expected from the Central Government.
- **Project Operating Costs** = D2.5 million in GLF, expected from the Central Government.

8. OIC Bertil Harding Road Project: D1.729 Billion

- **Roads and Bridges** = D1.669 billion [D700 million in Government Local Fund (GLF), expected from the Central Government of The Gambia; D603 million in external loans, expected from the Islamic Development Bank (IDB); D366 million in external loans, expected from the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA)].
- **Land Compensation** = D60 million in GLF, expected from the Central Government.

9. OIC Urban Roads: D773.45 Million

- **Roads and Bridges** = D638.45 million in external loans, expected from the Saudi Fund For Development (SFD).
- **Land Compensation** = D75 million in Government Local Fund (GLF), expected from the Central Government of The Gambia.
- **Relocation of Services** = D60 million in GLF, expected from the Central Government.

SOURCE:

Data extracted from the Approved/Enacted 2024 Budget produced by The Gambia's Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs.

Link: <https://mofea.gov.gm/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/ESTIMATES-OF-REVENUE-AND-EXPENDITURE-2024-1.pdf>

NOTE: All approved figures are estimates, not actuals.

DISCLAIMER: Some of the figures herein are numerically rounded off to ease readers' understanding of the report; this may have caused minor differences among aggregates. However, such minor differences are mathematically acceptable.



BACKGROUND

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