Editorial

One of SFD’s distinguished characteristics is its robust Monitoring and Evaluation system for its multi-sector interventions. SFD is applying several levels of monitoring and evaluation—including external and internal—covering the institutional and operational frameworks, the social and economic impact and the technical quality of civil-work projects, in addition to oversight of the financial and administrative procedures.

SFD external evaluation studies are independent, impartial, and built on various methodologies in order to conform to the international practices in this area.

The SFD commitment to such practices aims at increasing SFD’s efficacy and efficiency to achieve its intended objectives. SFD also has laid practical and proven foundations for the concepts of monitoring and evaluation in Yemen as elements of measuring impacts of development efforts. Applying these practices, SFD has also been able to strengthen its performance and develop operational approaches and policies that enable the community and development players to get the utmost benefit. The results of those practices are reflected in not only increasing SFD internal learning, but also strengthening partnership with members of the beneficiary communities, local authority and development partners.

Such approaches, policies and practices have contributed to boosting donors’ trust in SFD and, subsequently, increasing foreign funding and drawing a success story of fruitful results and outcomes as well as nationwide benefits.

BoD approves SFD IV plan, 2009 financial statement and the revised Operations Manual

In its regular meeting held on May 26, 2010 under the chairmanship of Prime Minister Dr. Ali Mujawar, the SFD Board of Directors approved the general plan of SFD Phase Four (2011-2015) in which investments are estimated at more than $1.1 billion. Bob also approved the 2009 Financial Statement in light of the report of the independent auditor as well as approved the 2009 Administrative Review Report by the same auditor, which has included examination and evaluation of internal control systems of SFD. The BoD commended SFD management, based on the independent reports, the outstanding performance of the executive management in the financial and administrative areas. The Board stressed on the management to effect the report’s recommendations in order to continue achieving its objectives of contributing to alleviation of poverty.

In the meantime, the BoD approved the revised Operations Manual that illustrates the main tasks of the SFD entities and general policies. A number of heads of units made presentations on SFD sectors, programs, and operational policies and the coordination mechanism between SFD and other agencies at the central, local, community and donor levels.

SFD gearing up for the 2nd International Conference on Arabica Naturals

The SFD Small and Micro Enterprises Promotion Services Agency (SMEPS) has geared up preparations to host the “Second International Conference on Arabica Naturals” (coffee produced by sunlight drying), during 13-14.12.2010, especially that Yemen is the home country of the Arab coffee. The event will follow the first conference held in Mexico in 2007. The SFD Managing Director and Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Planning and International Cooperation, Mr. Abdul-Karim Al-Arhabi, said “The conference is to promote the advantages and the value of Yemeni coffee as Yemen is the only country that produces coffee in 100% natural way that keeps its globally unique flavor.” About the economic impact of the conference, Mr. Ahmed Al-Kabous, General Manager of Al-Kabous Company, said “The conference for us will be a turning point for this industry as it will help us promote the Yemeni coffee and create a place for it in the world.

Ambassador Torlot «the success of SFD projects has increased the confidence of donors»

The UK Ambassador to Sana’a, Mr. Tim Torlot, said DFID has worked successfully with the SFD over the past five years. In an interview with a number of local and international press representatives in Sana’a, Mr. Torlot stated that the grant provided by the UK government recently (GBP 100 million) is intended to finance projects of SFD IV (2011-2015) where the SFD will continue its efforts to help improve the lives of the poor in Yemen fairly. Mr. Torlot presented SFD performance in phase three till end of 2009 in addition to the areas, objectives and outputs of the use of the UK funding which is regarded the largest foreign support for SFD IV so far. “The funding will be aimed at development in all areas of SFD’s scope of work particularly poverty, education and mitigation of unemployment as the biggest economic and social problems of the country.”, Torlot stated. He emphasized his government’s commitment to provide additional support to the Government of Yemen estimated at (GBP45 million) this year. He noted that 90% of the UK support for the development of Yemen has been channeled through SFD.
### Education

The education sector accounts for the largest SFD investment due to the importance of education in the overall development. During this quarter, the SFD approved 123 projects, estimated at approximately $24.7 million, and they included basic education programs (110 projects), pre-school education (1), supporting education policies and educational directions (9), and adult literacy (2). The under-implementation projects amounted to 31 covering all sector programs. The SFD’s performance this quarter covered the following programs:

#### Basic and secondary education

This program aims to expand basic-education infrastructures, increase enrollments, extend education-service coverage (particularly in underserved areas), narrow the enrollment gap of boys and girls and improve the education environment. During this quarter, the SFD signed a funding agreement with the Education authority to build the Early Childhood Development Center in the Capital City of Sana’a, which cost $312,000. The project also aims at modernizing and developing the educational process at the pre-school education grades through the development of the knowledge and performance of educators.

#### Supporting the gifted students

For the National Program for Supporting the Gifted and Talented Students, the SFD signed a funding agreement with the Education Office of the Capital City of Sana’a to equip Al-Mithaq School with craft workshops at an estimated cost of US$1,000. The project aims to provide the program students with skills and scientific expertise through providing the necessary relevant means and tools of application.

#### Rural girls education

The program works to raise the enrollment rate of girls in basic education and community education in 8 governorates (mainly the central districts of Sa’ada, Al-Hudaydah, Taiz, Al-Dhale’a and Amran. During this period, the following activities:

- Formed and trained 14 councils of fathers and mothers in 7 new SFD-targeted schools, in addition to providing the practicality of the training to develop the educational process at the pre-school education grades through the development of the knowledge and performance of educators.

### Cultural Heritage

#### Renovation of the Sana’a Great Mosque Project

The SFD team carried out the following activities for this significant project:

- Almost completed the restoration work in one the first three corridors of the northern wing in the adjacent hall-way, they fixed about 30 wooden coffers on the ceilings.
- Direct loads were lifted off 35 wooden beams and more than 180 wooden coffers after placing the iron beams.
- About 55 square meters were treated with Qadad (a traditional coating material used as water-resistant) in the northern wing of the mosque.
- Completed the documentation of more written texts and drawings. A video documentary was carried out for the most important activities implemented during this quarter.
- Prepared the final architectural concept note for the rehabilitation of the two southern libraries in coordination with the international expert of manuscripts.
- Built 80% of the balconies of western minaret that was on the verge of falling due to the damage and refraction of the bearing beams.
- Completed all works related to the lavatories and ablution facades.
- An international expert lectured the team responsible for the wooden ceilings restoration about the sources and conservation of the wooden coffers.
- Discovered a group of old scrapbooks in the site of the large wooden coffers in the north-western part and discovered a small version of Quran inside an aperture in the minarets.

#### Conservation of the historic city of Zabid

In line with the overall government efforts to keep the city of Zabid within the World Heritage List, the SFD carried out the following activities:

- Supplied the sub-surface electrical cables allocated for the project in preparation to the implementation of paving the streets of the historic part.
- Technically and financially analyzed the bids for paving new areas in the city.
- Started electrical and sanitary works in the project of Restoring the Dar Ad-Dā’ūfah (guest house).

#### Restoration of Al-Ashrafiah Mosque and Maqbanah Project - Taiz

The works of this project continued according to the action plan:

- The destroyed wooden parts in the western minaret were replaced and Qadad was used to repair the domes over the Southern Gate. A model was made to cover the water channel to ensure safety and good use. Models for wooden domes of the same were made. The project prepared for the re-operation of parts of the building for the neighboring community.
- The team completed the restoration of the colorful gyp-sium ornaments in the western part of the prayer hall, followed by an indicative gallery to explain to the public the philosophy of decoration and the methods used. One of the Italian experts lectured the team responsible on documentation and free-painting.

### Social Fund for Development

#### Dar Al-Ezz and Al-Najmiyah Mosque – Jiblah - Ibb

The restoration works are underway in the north-eastern side on the ground floor up to the third floor. Archaeological excavations are still going on in the area of Al-Sidrah and the SFD conducted the conservation activities of the parts discovered, as well as the adjacent agricultural terraces are being built. For Al-Najmiyah mosque near the palace, the project completed restoring the surrounding wall and gates and protected the boundaries of the mosque.

#### Landmarks of Al-Hesn fort – Al-Hajarah – Haraz – Sana’a

The SFD completed the restoration works of the body of entrances and gate of the fort, including coating the surface with Qadad. It cleaned and removed the drainage and sewage channel. It restored the walls of the fort and bridge, in addition to restoring the wall surrounding the dome with rebuilding the gates of the entrances of the mosque.

### Publications

The SFD started revising the book “Yemen – A Journey to Sana’a” – completed by the Italian Institute of Veneto. Renzo Mancini visited the city of Sana’a in the period from 1867-1877.

- The SFD completed the final draft of the book “The Rock Paintings of Yemen in Prehistoric Times” and will print and distribute it.

### Supporting the government partners

- The SFD trained 13 professional craftsmen and painters in making ceramics and traditional pottery under the supervision of Dr. 62 from government organizations.
- Also trained 60 university graduates on various works of documentation. In the training, the participants took part in manually documenting 1087 manuscripts and electronically documenting 1354 manuscripts, digitally photographing large numbers of manuscripts and repairing and covering some 355 manuscripts.
- Held a 36-day workshop in the presentation of the architectural and construction heritage for 80 staff members from 7 government organizations in addition to the project officers.

### Training & Organizational Support

Interventions in the two sectors aim at providing services through training and building the human and institutional capacities of SFD’s staff and its partners, who work in SFD development fields. The purpose of the support is to ensure and reinforce the organizational, financial and administrative

### Units News

#### Education Sector, Phase III indicators*

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*Include only under-implementation and completed projects as of 30/06/2010
sustainability for these partners. During the Second Quarter, the number of projects in both sectors reached an estimated cost of $1.6 million. Of these 5 projects are approved, and 53 under implementation. They targeted the following partners:

Governmental Organizations

Interventions are comprised of 8 projects, two for training and the other 6 organizational support. The train- ing activities focused on administrative systems, project programming, institutional and field assessment studies, strategic planning, monitoring and evaluation, revision, and development of manuals and guides. In addition to the organizational support interventions concerning with providing necessary equipment.

Beneficiaries from both sectors included environmental awareness center in Taiz, main office of the Ministry of Planning & International Cooperation, main offices of Al-Mahweet, Muswar district in Amran, and other government agencies (districts of the governorates of San'a’a, Ta’iz, Hadramad, and Amran). 

Local Authority

17 projects have been developed, of these 12 for training and 5 for organizational support. Components of support in both sectors included participatory planning, information about the Empowerment Program including methodologies and mechanisms related to local authorities, institutional assessment studies, identification of community needs as well as urgent priorities, election of community development committees, and preparation and implementation in target areas. The beneficiary local authorities were the districts of Hubaish (Ibb), Al-gheida (Haswein (Al-Mahra), Dawa’an (Al-Hadram), and Qutouf Foundation for Women Center in the Old City of Sana’a & Al-Ola’a.

Beneficiaries from these interventions included local commu- nity development committees, and local authorities in the 87% females, 13% males.

Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs)

13 projects targeted both sectors; 5 of them in the training sector, and 8 in organizational support. Interventions were as follows:

- Management and filing systems, strategic planning, monitor- ing and reporting, simplified accounts system, training, and authorizing training sessions.
- Beneficiaries from these interventions included organizations of Women Center in the Old City of San’a, & Al-Ola’a.
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Local Communities

Local Communities (8 projects were targeted through 6 train- ing projects focusing on self-help initiatives, bee-keepers’ training, formation and training of community committees, participatory identification and assessment of priorities, and the formation of monitoring and coordination committees) Beneficiaries from these interventions included local commu- nity development committees, and local authorities in the districts of Al-Mahra.

Villages’ Cooperative Councils

6 projects were developed targeting the self-help initiatives for 356 villages’ cooperative councils in the governorates of (Ta’iz, Al-Mahweet, Al-Mahra, Amran, & Reima). This is in ad- dition to assessing community needs, urgent priorities and assess- ing the field conditions in districts in Al-Mawaset/ Ta’iz, Mullhan/ Al-Mahweet, Haswein/ Al-Mahra, Hubar-Dhul- Iman/ Amran, Al-Gheida/ Haswein, and Hubas/ Ibb.

Private Sector – Individuals

Interventions included 8 training projects that qualified (255) con- sultants for the Empowerment Program for the Development Local Authority (Ibb), Al-gheida (Haswein (Al-Mahra), Dawa’an (Al-Hadram), and Taiz). The SFD developed 6 projects, including 4 projects to train 118 health assistants on the integral child health care in Hijjah governorate (including 106 health facilities in 13 districts) and Shabwah governorate (districts of Al-Habab and Al-Rawdah). It also developed the project to imple- ment the Quality Improvement Program (QIP) for five health facilities in Al-Mashad Hadramaut districts in cooperation with the GTZ. The SFD developed a project to train health staff on early detection of physical dis- ability in several rural districts in the governorate of Taiz.

Institution development

The SFD developed a project for (Reviewing and Updating the Curriculum of Community Midwives and the Prepara- tion of the Reference Directory) that seeks to update the competencies and skills of community midwives. The pro- gram is a three-year curriculum that is equivalent of a high school health diploma. In support of the National Program for Mental Health, the SFD developed a project to train the managerial staff on the National Program for Mental Health (NPMH - several governorates) in order to strengthen the capacity of program management in the aspects of planning and fund raising. The SFD also developed the project of supporting the supervision and training of community midwives courses, which aims to improve the SFD-supported midwives training.

improve access to primary health care facilities

The SFD developed 4 projects at an estimated cost of $0.29 million benefiting 46 877 people. The pro- jects targeted building, equipping and furnishing health units and centers in the governorates of Th-Suqaf, Jib- blah, Almasnah (Ibb), and Al-Maghrahah (Hijjah).

Reducing maternal and neonatal mortality

The SFD developed a project to provide the requirements for training sessions of home care for maternal and newborn care to the SFD branches in order to facilitate the implementation of the courses, but for the rest of the com- ponents the SFD developed a project to rehabilitate 40 physician assistants in order to meet the needs of primary health care facilities in remote areas of Al-Baidha governorate, and train up to 20 students to pro- fessional nurses for comprehensive obstetric service section of the Al-Salam Hospital of Khamer (Amran).

Improving the services provided by service provid- ers of primary health care

5 projects targeting both sectors; 3 of them in the training sector, and 2 for organizational support. Components of support in both sectors included participatory planning, information about the Empowerment Program including methodologies and mechanisms related to local authorities, institutional assessment studies, identification of community needs as well as urgent priorities, election of community development committees, and preparation and implementation in target areas. The beneficiary local authorities were the districts of Hubaish (Ibb), Al-gheida (Haswein (Al-Mahra), Dawa’an (Al-Hadram), and Taiz). The SFD developed 6 projects, including 4 projects to train 118 health assistants on the integral child health care in Hijjah governorate (including 106 health facilities in 13 districts) and Shabwah governorate (districts of Al-Habab and Al-Rawdah). It also developed the project to imple- ment the Quality Improvement Program (QIP) for five health facilities in Al-Mashad Hadramaut districts in cooperation with the GTZ. The SFD developed a project to train health staff on early detection of physical dis- ability in several rural districts in the governorate of Taiz.

Increase of births under medical supervision

The SFD developed 6 projects, including 4 projects to train 220 community midwives in several rural districts of Amran governorate, and a project to train 24 community midwives trainers (third batch), from several governorates, in the home health care for maternal and newborn health care. In addition, the SFD developed 10 projects to train 220 community midwives in the home-based health care for the maternal and the newborn born child from the governorates of Al-Musaimir (Lahej), Khawan (San’a’a), Mustang and Al-Mithuf (Hijjah), several- districts in Al-Maharah, Sayoun and Al-Qatn (Hadframaut), Alqubah (Amran), Al-Tawedaw (Al-Mahweet), Fayaer Safa and Tibheen (Amran), and Al-Shuaib (Al-Dhali’).

Mental health

A project was developed to promote mental health in the Capital City schools through workshops with the relevant ministers to discuss the importance of the role of psychologists in all schools to activate psychothera- peutic counseling in childhood and adolescence, as well as to provide mental health training, schools mental health, raise aware- ness of mental health and psychological counselors in schools. The sector also developed 5 projects to train 78 general practitioners and 92 health assistant staff on the psychological assessment, and the governorates of Al-Baidha, Dhamar, Al-Hudaydah, and Raimah.

Special Needs Groups

Inclusive and Special Education Program

SFD approved 20 projects aimed at consolidating and re- habilitating 1299 children with various disabilities and training 320 specialists, administration staff and mothers and training staff members of 20 organizations and the Center and 68 schools, in the Capital City and the governorates of Mahtaweet, Ibb, Dhamar, Marib, Al-Baidha, Al-Hudaydah, and Raimah. In collaboration with the Ministry of Education, on the concepts of integration and the involved mecha- nisms, methods of teaching and skills of using the resources resources, assessment and diagnosis, Life Skills, learning difficulties, the principles of writing Braillage, the establishment of low-sen-sis services in the schools of

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**Includes almost all local councils (330) in the country
• Protection
SFD approved 21 projects under the social protection program. The activities included the preparation of procedural directories for school violence against children, training and rehabilitating the Correction Section of the Central Prison in Capital City of Sana’a in addition to institutional support to the local departments of Taiz, Aden, and al-Mahwit governorates as well as the establishment of facilities and appropriate baths for children with disabilities, and adding classrooms and facilities.

• Early Childhood Development
The SFD approved 6 projects focused on training trainers in the field of education (in 3 basis of early childhood education) in order to prepare trainers with the necessary qualifications, provide equipment and medical instruments necessary to provide early detection of disability, the training of pedagogians on the detection of early diagnosis of functional disabilities, supporting services of early detection, preparing practical manuals for the reference directory on the early detection, disability and training of national trainers on the directory, and supporting the pre-school education through the furnishings, equipment and training. These projects will benefit institutions from the Capital City and the governorates of Aden, Taiz, Ibb, Al-Hudaida, Dhamar, the lake.

• Rural service outreach
SFD approved two projects aimed at training staff members of rural service outreach, public schools in the district of Al-Sawadh of Amran governorate on techniques and methods of teaching the blind and the concepts of integration and planning and providing schools with the supporting educational aids, as well as strengthening the program of education extension for the deaf in the district of Reef Ibb through the construction and furnishing of 3 classrooms with facilities fully furnished and equipped.

• institutional support program
SFD implemented 7 projects of furnishing and equipping, the National Union of Societies of the Disabled and its branches in the governorates of Dhamar, Taiz, Mukalla, Al-Hudaida, and Ibb. As well, the staff members of the Centre for Rehabilitation and Vocational Training for people with special needs - Sayoun - Hadramout were trained in five-training sessions and preparing train plans and programs. SFD rehabilitated the Public Library of the child in Mukalla to enable children with disabilities to benefit from them through some necessary conditions and providing the library with the means and aids to enable the children with low vision to read and with computers, programs, special software, and a group of some library books from the read to audio using a vision program and other supporting programs in addition to an activity to direct the administrators of the library on how to deal with people with disabilities.

• Support policies and strategies
In the context of child labor survey project signed between the SFD and Central Planning, in cooperation with the ILO and UNICEF, SFD implemented a training of trainers for survey trainers who will carry out field survey after the implementation of the survey in two workshops to enrich the draft National Disability Strategy. It is worth mentioning that building the studies for the strategy is being funded by the SFD.

• Water sector
The water sector aims to provide improved water and sanitation facilities for the poor communities. The projects covered in these villages the percentage of coverage of water between all players in the sector, as well as to raise awareness on health and environment amongst the beneficiaries.

In this quarter, the Amran branch implemented a five-day training workshop to qualify consultants in the rain water harvesting projects. 19 participants were qualified. The same branch organized another six-day training session to qualify consultants in designing and supervising the construction of rain water harvesting projects. 18 out of 19 of them were qualified.

• Environment Sector
During this quarter, the sector organized four training courses for qualifying consultants in the field of design and supervision of environmental projects. 60 consultants trainees were qualified at the end of the above training session. Among the activities carried out under the Community-led Total Sanitation approach that collected an impacted effect in behavior and the behavior of the rural population of six villages in the district of Al-Sawadh of Amran governorate "model villages" in applying the CLTS approach and open defecation free (ODF), these were: Meqana’a, Bait-Al-Wali, Bait-Arazihi, Bait-Al-ans and Bait-Al-Muayad. The ceremony was attended by the Deputy Governor of Amran governorate, SFD head of Water and Environment, SFD branch manager, relevant member of parliament and district members of the local authority. In this regard, the SFD 2010, the pilot phase of using the communities to run awareness-raising campaigns on the CLTS approach in the CLTS model villages in the governorates of Amran, Taiz and Meqana’a (10 villages in each governorate). In addition, during the period of 26-30 June, the SFD Taiz branch organized a training session on resource management of CLTS approach for 32 consultants (12 female and 20 male) and 5 project officers (4 female and 1 male).

• Agriculture & Rural Development
Agriculture
The project was a completed 31 projects; of which 9 were implemented by Haja branch, 11 by Aden branch, 7 by Sana’a Branch and 2 by Hodeidah branch. All projects addressed the development of rural production. They included constructing a number of water projects, as well as training on agricultural projects, which benefited communities and fi

Local communities satisfied with the provided service.

• Early Childhood Development
The SFD approved 6 projects focused on training trainers in the field of education (in 3 basis of early childhood education) in order to prepare trainers with the necessary qualifications, provide equipment and medical instruments necessary to provide early detection of disability, the training of pedagogians on the detection of early diagnosis of functional disabilities, supporting services of early detection, preparing practical manuals for the reference directory on the early detection, disability and training of national trainers on the directory, and supporting the pre-school education through the furnishings, equipment and training. These projects will benefit institutions from the Capital City and the governorates of Aden, Taiz, Ibb, Al-Hudaida, Dhamar, the lake.

• Rural service outreach
SFD approved two projects aimed at training staff members of rural service outreach, public schools in the district of Al-Sawadh of Amran governorate on techniques and methods of teaching the blind and the concepts of integration and planning and providing schools with the supporting educational aids, as well as strengthening the program of education extension for the deaf in the district of Reef Ibb through the construction and furnishing of 3 classrooms with facilities fully furnished and equipped.

• institutional support program
SFD implemented 7 projects of furnishing and equipping, the National Union of Societies of the Disabled and its branches in the governorates of Dhamar, Taiz, Mukalla, Al-Hudaida, and Ibb. As well, the staff members of the Centre for Rehabilitation and Vocational Training for people with special needs - Sayoun - Hadramout were trained in five-training sessions and preparing train plans and programs. SFD rehabilitated the Public Library of the child in Mukalla to enable children with disabilities to benefit from them through some necessary conditions and providing the library with the means and aids to enable the children with low vision to read and with computers, programs, special software, and a group of some library books from the read to audio using a vision program and other supporting programs in addition to an activity to direct the administrators of the library on how to deal with people with disabilities.

• Support policies and strategies
In the context of child labor survey project signed between the SFD and Central Planning, in cooperation with the ILO and UNICEF, SFD implemented a training of trainers for survey trainers who will carry out field survey after the implementation of the survey in two workshops to enrich the draft National Disability Strategy. It is worth mentioning that building the studies for the strategy is being funded by the SFD.

• Water sector
The water sector aims to provide improved water and sanitation facilities for the poor communities. The projects covered in these villages the percentage of coverage of water between all players in the sector, as well as to raise awareness on health and environment amongst the beneficiaries.

In this quarter, the Amran branch implemented a five-day training workshop to qualify consultants in the rain water harvesting projects. 19 participants were qualified. The same branch organized another six-day training session to qualify consultants in designing and supervising the construction of rain water harvesting projects. 18 out of 19 of them were qualified.

• Environment Sector
During this quarter, the sector organized four training courses for qualifying consultants in the field of design and supervision of environmental projects. 60 consultants trainees were qualified at the end of the above training session. Among the activities carried out under the Community-led Total Sanitation approach that collected an impacted effect in behavior and the behavior of the rural population of six villages in the district of Al-Sawadh of Amran governorate "model villages" in applying the CLTS approach and open defecation free (ODF), these were: Meqana’a, Bait-Al-Wali, Bait-Arazihi, Bait-Al-ans and Bait-Al-Muayad. The ceremony was attended by the Deputy Governor of Amran governorate, SFD head of Water and Environment, SFD branch manager, relevant member of parliament and district members of the local authority. In this regard, the SFD 2010, the pilot phase of using the communities to run awareness-raising campaigns on the CLTS approach in the CLTS model villages in the governorates of Amran, Taiz and Meqana’a (10 villages in each governorate). In addition, during the period of 26-30 June, the SFD Taiz branch organized a training session on resource management of CLTS approach for 32 consultants (12 female and 20 male) and 5 project officers (4 female and 1 male).

• Agriculture & Rural Development
Agriculture
The project was a completed 31 projects; of which 9 were implemented by Haja branch, 11 by Aden branch, 7 by Sana’a Branch and 2 by Hodeidah branch. All projects addressed the development of rural production. They included constructing a number of water projects, as well as training on agricultural projects, which benefited communities and fi

Local communities satisfied with the provided service.
Small & Micro Enterprises Development

As for the end of the quarter, the cumulative number of loans totaled 320,931 amounting to Riyals 21,242,042, and the number of customers reached 123,611 with a portfolio of Riyals 3.6 billion. The SFD carried out the below activities during the quarter:

Al-Kurami Islamic Microfinance Bank: SFD continued its efforts to help Al-Kurami Exchange Company transform itself into a microfinance bank that serves small and medium enterprises and is awaiting final approval by the Central Bank of Yemen.

Benefits of the SWF project: Targeting 750 Social Welfare Fund members—extremely poor families in Aden, Lahj, and Abyan—the underway project conducted a pre-intervention baseline survey in those areas in cooperation with IPA and YALE University.

Funding SMD: SFD has funded a number of MFI s for a total of Riyals 48 million. They include: Al-Hudrami Program for Riyals 44 million ($117 thousand), Al-Hudrami Program for Riyals 40 million ($111 thousand), and Al-Hudrami Program for Riyals 31 million ($82 thousand). The goal was to cover the funding needs for those programs and institutions and help them expand their services.

Training: SFD implemented a number of training courses for its partners in the fields of microfinance, as follows:

•Arrrears management and setting the interest rate:
  The course was held in June 2010 and was attended by 20 participants working in microfinance institutions and programs, especially by financial and operational managers.

•Human Resources Management Course
  The session was attended by 20 participants, and it included human resource managers working in microfinance institutions and programs, for 5 days.

•SEEP standard MF reports
  The training course lasted 5 weeks. It was attended by 20 participants working in microfinance institutions and programs.

Youth Skills and Small Enterprises Development:

In the framework of this project, SFD is conducting the following trainings that were held in July in Aden and Lahj:

•Youth Skills and Small Enterprises Development:
  The training was held in Lahj. It included a 10-day workshop for youth and 5-weeks training in small businesses. The training course lasted 5 weeks. It was attended by 20 participants working in microfinance institutions and programs.  

•Business Edge for the Development of Management Skills (BEDMS): This training is for 22 graduates in pharmacy, architectural engineering, and dentistry who would like to establish their projects after graduation. It focuses on marketing, management, and finance. The training course lasted 5 weeks.

Informativ ve Workshops on Technical Consultancy Centers:

SFD conducted this workshop in the city of Abyan. The workshop was aimed at setting up 5 specialized centers in those governorates in addition to Abyan. The workshops were conducted for individuals and small groups to better understand the role of the centers.

The workshop was held in Aden in coordination with the Yemeni Fish Export Cooperative, and representatives from main fish and marine life export companies in Aden, Al-Mahra, and Hodeida. SFD conducted the workshop to clarify the results of the field study SMD conducted on auto repair in the coast and valley of Hadhramaut. The trainer made a detailed presentation on the importance of maintaining their features, varieties, types, manufacturing company. The course was attended by a number of car workshop owners and other related professionals.

Workshop on the outputs of the fish export market study:

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For education, the IIP set up a coordination workshop for 28 people from the offices of the Ministry of Education in the IIP target areas. The event resulted in a mechanism to follow up and control the quality of the programs and projects in the education sector and the provision of the IIP set up 3 specialized centers in those governorates in addition to Abyan. The workshops were conducted for individuals and small groups to better understand the role of the centers.

** Doesn’t include street pavements
*Includes only under-implementation and completed projects as of 30/6/2010

Social Fund for Development
### Microfinance Programs Supported by SFD (as for June 2010)

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<th>Outstanding Balance (Million YR)</th>
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| Wadi Hadramaut                 | 1,285                    | 31                               | 2,069   | 57             | 6.8                      | 7,985            | Seyun – Hadramaut govern-
| Other Activities & IGPs         | 0                       | 0                               | 0       | 0              | 0                        | 67,495           | Several areas |
| Total                           | 53,611                   | 44,632                           | 3604    | 320,931        | 19,861                    |                  |                  |

*Note: Not applicable/Not usable, MOC - Micro Credit, S&G - saving and Credit, MF - Micro-finance, IGS - income generating projects.

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### Number of projects, commitments, and distribution, Second quarter 2010, by governorate

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The World Bank Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Public Sector (PREM) Governance Board has selected H.E. Abdul Kareem Ismail Al-Arhabi, Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Affairs and Minister for Planning and International Cooperation and Managing Director of the SFD as the recipient of the 2010 Jit Gill Memorial Award for Outstanding Public Service (awarded once every two years). PREM Vice President, Otaviano Canuto, handed Al-Arhabi the award on April 30, 2010 in a grand ceremony during the Public Sector Day in Washington DC. A WB statement said that Al-Arhabi has contributed in promoting the leadership efforts of Yemen to the process of reforms. “Candidates are selected on the basis of criteria and records of the best and sustainable public service and evidence that show leadership and innovation to enhance the efficiency of public services and their effectiveness and demonstrate the highest standards of professional ethics, dedication and adaptation to the circumstances of the beneficiaries and public servants with outstanding qualities and inspiring Secretariat, and integrity, and accountability. “, it continued.

The World Bank Vice President for MENA region Ms. Shamshad Akhtar, and Executive Director, Dr. Mirza Hassan, delivered words in the relevant ceremony referring to him as a great example in the region where poverty prevails and the challenge lies in the development of effective policy frameworks.

For his part, Al-Arhabi said in the event “The winning of a Yemeni citizen from among a large number of distinguished nominees from around the world is a source of confidence of individuals and institutions in Yemen on potential capabilities capable of performing excellence as demonstrated by, for example, the Yemen Social Fund for Development, and the Public Works Project that are regarded two of the best institutions in the world.

Ambassador Tarlot: “the success of SFD projects has increased the confidence of donors.”

The Ambassador reviewed models for the actual results of the SFD experience and described them as the “real benefits to the Yemeni people.” He mentioned, for example, the increase in the provision of medical assistant staff at 10%, increase in the number of midwives at 40%, increase in the number of male students enrollment in education by 91% and 122% for rural girls, in addition to increase at 30% in the number of children under the age of two years who received a complete package of immunization in the project areas.

SFD gearing up for the 2nd International Conference on Arabica Naturals

Thus we will address some economic and social issues in Yemen. “The conference program includes various events such as coffee drying processing, processing best practices, the grading system, cupping specialty, master roasting skills, espresso roasting and blending, and agricultural best practices. The event also will include presentation and paragraphs induction of the best coffees in the world as well as the first coffee contest. The event will be attended by many of professionals, traders, roasters and cuppers from around the world.

SFD Mukalla organizes awareness-raising workshop on the rights of the disabled

The SFD Branch of Mukalla in coordination with the National Disability Union organized an awareness workshop on the rights of the disabled and the role of local councils and NGOs in social integration of the disabled. At the opening of the event, the Governor of Hadramout, Salem Ahmed Khanbashi, hailed for establishing the activity, which aims to stimulate the disabled to participate in public life. He stressed on the need for integration and coordination between the associations and federations of the disabled and the local councils and civil society organizations in order to enable them to integrate in public life and exercise all rights guaranteed by the Constitution.

The event was attended by the Chairman of the Planning and the Development Committee of the Local Council of Hadhramout, the SFD branch manager, and the Chairman of the National Disability Union of Hadhramout and a number of officials in the local council of Mukalla district, office staff of the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor, and NGOs representatives.