



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Project Highlights

SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC

“Emergency response to support the livelihoods and food security of destitute small-scale farmers and herders affected by the drought in the northeast of the Syrian Arab Republic”

Project code: OSRO/SYR/902/SPA

Donor: Spain

Contribution: USD 697 350

Implementation: 30/09/09 – 30/07/10

Target areas: Al Hassakeh, Al Raqqa and
Deir Ezzor governorates

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Objective: To support the livelihoods and food security of the most destitute drought-affected farmers and small herders in the northeastern parts of the Syrian Arab Republic.

Key partners: Ministry of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform, General Commission for Agricultural Scientific Research, General Organization for Seed Multiplication, Farmers Union, Agricultural Extension Directorate, and NGOs.

Beneficiaries reached: 3 874 households.

Activities implemented:

- Procured and distributed 554 tonnes of barley seed to 3 693 farming households.
- Procured and distributed 543 sheep with suckling lambs to 181 women-headed households.

Impact:

- Each beneficiary farming households was able to produce 1.8 tonnes of barley on 2 ha of land.
- Farming households benefited from barley crop residue, which can be used as animal feed.
- Each beneficiary livestock holder was able to produce milk, wool, meat and breeding residue valued at USD 893.7 per year.