## **National Water Sector Strategy**

"A right for every citizen, a resource for the whole country"





### **Eng. Gebran Bassil**

Ministry of Energy and Water (Date 27/12/2010) Lebanese Government (Resolution No. 2, Date 09/03/2012)

## Baseline

## **Demand/Supply Forecasts**

Sector Enabling Environment

Investment Plan

Strategic Roadmap

# A water demand/supply model aims at forecasting required resources to cover anticipated shortages

Schematic of the Water Demand/Supply Forecasting Model

DE	MAND		<u>SUPPLY</u>				
Domestic Water Demand	Main Demand Drivers		Main Supply Policy Levers	Potable Water Supply			
Consumption per Capita x Population taking into account UfW	<ul> <li>Consumption patterns (for WS, industry, irrigation and tourism)</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Optimization of available surface water resources</li> </ul>	Surface Water			
Industrial Water Demand	<ul><li>Population growth</li></ul>		<ul> <li>Changes in groundwater policies/production coupled</li> </ul>	Groundwater			
Share of Domestic	<ul> <li>Impact of economic development on water</li> </ul>		with artificial recharge of aquifers	Storage			
Irrigation Water Demand Irrigated Area x Irrigation	<ul><li>consumption</li><li>Changes in tariff structures</li></ul>		<ul> <li>Existing/potential surface storage</li> </ul>	Non-Potable Water Supply			
Consumption taking into account Efficiency	<ul> <li>Effect of water conservation</li> <li>Decrease in UfW</li> </ul>		<ul><li>Reuse of treated wastewater</li></ul>	Treated wastewater used only for			
Tourism Water Demand Numbers of Tourists x Periods of Stay	<ul> <li>Irrigation efficiency improvement</li> </ul>	N/	<ul> <li>Agreements on shared water resources</li> </ul>	agriculture and industry			
x Touristic Consumption							

#### **Forecast of Required Water Resources**

- Anticipated shortage between supply and demand
- Identified and planned means to cover the deficit
- Required infrastructure to meet demand

## Baseline

## Demand/Supply Forecasts Demand

Supply Demand/Supply Balance Infrastructure Forecasts

Sector Enabling Environment

Investment Plan

Strategic Roadmap

# Demand/supply forecasting methodology takes into account a number of drivers and policy levers on the demand side (1/2)

Assumptions will need to be

Drivers/Policy Levers	validated/ revisited in due course during the planning phases
1.a Domestic Consumption per Capita	<ul> <li>Assumes demand per capita thresholds associated with urban development level, based on international benchmarks adapted to local conditions</li> <li>Domestic water includes water consumption for residential, commercial and governmental entities</li> </ul>
1.b Industrial Consumption	<ul> <li>In the absence of recent surveys on the water consumption of the industrial sector, assumes industrial demand as a share of domestic demand</li> </ul>
1.c Tourism Consumption	<ul> <li>Uses the latest figures of the Ministry of Tourism and the General Security, as well as international benchmarks to determine touristic water consumption</li> <li>Relies on Mediterranean basin benchmarks to determine daily consumption per tourist</li> </ul>
1.d Irrigation Consumption	<ul> <li>Uses the latest figures of the Ministry of Agriculture, based on the latest census done by FAO, and World Bank studies</li> <li>Irrigation consumption is to be reduced, by improving irrigation efficiency of existing and planned irrigation schemes, as well as optimizing on-farm irrigation techniques</li> </ul>
2 Population Growth	<ul> <li>Uses population figures and historical growth rates forecasts by Central Administration of Statistics to estimate projected population growth</li> <li>Uses numbers of Palestinian refugees based on UNRWA data</li> </ul>

# Demand/supply forecasting methodology takes into account a number of drivers and policy levers on the demand side (2/2)

Assumptions will need to be

### validated/ revisited in due courseduring the planning phases **Drivers/Policy Levers** Uses government plans for the development of the irrigation sector and achieve an integrated and sustainable rural development 3 **Irrigation Growth** Irrigated areas are to be increased in line with government policies. From the current 90,000 ha of irrigated lands, targets of reaching 120,000 ha by 2020 and 150,000 ha by 2035 have been set Uses historical and forecasted real GDP growth to assess the impact of economic development on **Impact of Economic** projected demand for water, leading to an increase of 1% per annum **Development Tariff Change** 5 Uses elasticity of demand to estimate the impact of water tariff changes on water consumption Assumes a decrease in water consumption through anticipated water conservation initiatives and **Water Conservation** assumes its impact on domestic and non-domestic consumers. Awareness and conservation campaigns are planned through MEW's Lebanese Center for Water Management and Conservation rates vary among the WEs from 40% to 52%. A weighted average of 48% has been adopted on country level. Targets of reducing UfW to 30% by 2020 and to 20% by 2035 have been adopted **Reduction in UfW** Assumes a decrease in UfW following initiatives carried out by WEs under MEW's oversight and determines its impact on distributed water









### Irrigated areas and growth

Irrigated Areas in WEs, 2010 (ha) Projected Growth in Irrigated Areas in Lebanon, 2010 - 2035 (ha) Total harvested irrigated area can reach up to 104,000 ha 90,000 Schemed Irrigation (>100 ha) Small Scale Irrigation (<100 ha)</p> 24,000 150,000 140,000 130,000 120,000 105,000 45,000 90,000 14,000 24,000 66,000 2,500 12,000 9,000 31,000 21,500 5,000 7,000 2,500 6,500 2010 2015 2020 2025 2030 2035 North BML South Bekaa Lebanon

### Urban water consumption and relation with economic development



### Urban Water Consumption<sup>(1)</sup> and GDP per Capita

Note: (1) Includes UfW (2) Adjusted by purchasing power parity Source: IMF, UN, MEW Analysis

## **Impact of tariff change (1/2)**

### **Current and Proposed Tariff Systems**



#### Benchmarks on Applied Tariffs in MENA region

		<b>.</b>		Level of	Level of
Country	City	Structure V, F, M	Block Tariff	Water Tariff USD/m3	WW Tariff USD/m3
	Adana	V, F, IVI V	C	1.38	030/115
	Ankara	V	C C	1.30	n/a
Turkey	Izmir	V	1	1.45	1.02
	Istambul	V		1.96	1.29
	Konya	V	С	0.98	n/a
Syria	Damascus	V		0.05	0.02
Lebanon	BMLWE	F	n/a	0.43	0
Morocco	Casablanca	V	I	0.72	0.05
Oman	Muscat	n/a	n/a	0	n/a
Occupied	Territories	V	I	1.23	0.32
Palestine	Ramallah	V	I	1.23	0.32
Bahrain	Manama	V	I	0.07	n/a
Qatar	Doha	V	С	1.21	n/a
KSA	Jeddah	V	С	0.05	0
NJA	Riyad	V	1	0.03	0
UAE	Dubai	V	I	2.16	n/a
	V = volumetric F = fixed fee		I = increasing D = decreasing		
	M = Mix		C = constant		

Source: IB-Net

## Impact of tariff change (2/2)



### Highlights

- Tariff structures will see significant modifications:
  - For water supply: the current flat tariff structure will be replaced by a volumetric tariff structure after replacement of gauges by meters
  - For irrigation: the different forms of tariffs currently applied will be replaced by volumetric tariffs
  - For wastewater: A new tariff will be introduced in proportion with the used volumes of water supply
- Tariff changes will have an impact on the different types of consumptions. This impact needs to be defined through further studies
- Once identified, the impact of these tariff changes will be reflected in demand patterns



### Water Conservation Initiatives

Planned Conservation Initiatives on Domestic and Industrial Demand

- Installation of conservation kits (plumbing retrofits and high-efficiency toilets and showerheads, dual flush toilets, faucet aerators, kitchen aerators)
- High-efficiency cloth washers
- Complete retrofit of large water consumers, e.g., industrial, commercial
- Public outreach, awareness and education programs
- Household and establishment audits

Planned Conservation Initiatives on Irrigation Water

- Adoption of high efficiency on-farm irrigation techniques, e.g., drip irrigation, sprinkler irrigation, overhead irrigation where applicable
- Coordination with Ministry of Agriculture for the adoption towards lower consumption crops
- Public outreach, awareness and farmer education programs
- Farm audits and optimization according to local conditions

Saving per year from 2011 to 2020 3.0 lcd estimate

Awareness and conservation campaigns are planned and executed mainly through the Lebanese Center for Water Management and Conservation Decrease from 9,000 to 7,000 m<sup>3</sup>/ha/yr by 2035





## **Unaccounted For Water In WEs, 2010**

#### **Comments and Key Assumptions**

- To allow for more flexibility, three scenarios have been considered on the demand side: High Demand, Moderate Demand, Conservative Demand
- It is reasonable to assume that the UfW would reach 30% in the next 10 years and 20% in 2035 based on a scheduled decrease mainly due to fixing leakage (Moderate Scenario)
- International benchmarks and experience in MENA countries show that a level of 20% is feasible
- We assumed that significant leakage improvement projects will be carried out by WEs under MEW's oversight over the 2011-2020 period

# To allow for more flexibility, three scenarios have been considered on the demand side: High Demand, Moderate Demand, Conservative Demand (1/2)



CAGR: Compound Annual Growth Rate

# To allow for more flexibility, three scenarios have been considered on the demand side: High Demand, Moderate Demand, Conservative Demand (2/2)



## Total demand under the moderate demand scenario is expected to reach 1,802 MCM/yr by 2035



# The range between the conservative and high demand scenarios exceeds 60%



1	Demand Scenarios – Irrigation Consumption per Hectare (m3/ha/yr)										
	Low (sc. 1)	9,000	8,600	8,200	7,800	7,400	7,000				
	Mod (sc. 2)	9,000	8,600	8,200	7,800	7,400	7,000				
	High (sc. 3)	9,000	8,800	8,600	8,400	8,200	8,000				

#### Comments

- The range observed between the low and high demand scenarios is the result of different assumptions on the drivers in each of the scenarios
- The main drivers are consumption per capita thresholds, population growth, impact of GDP growth, industrial and irrigation consumption and growth, etc.:
  - Consumption per capita thresholds vary between 140 lcd and 200 lcd
  - Annual average population growth ranges between 1.5% and 2.0% for the low and high scenarios respectively
  - Industrial consumption varies between 25% and 35 %
  - Targets for irrigation areas in 2035 vary between 130,000 and 180,000 ha and consumption between 7000 m3/ha to 8000 m3/ha
  - Targets for UfW in 2035 vary between 15% and 25% for the low and high scenarios respectively

## Baseline

## **Demand/Supply Forecasts**

Demand

### Supply

Demand/Supply Balance Infrastructure Forecasts

Sector Enabling Environment

Investment Plan

Strategic Roadmap

# Main sources of water in Lebanon include surface water and groundwater while surface storage and non conventional sources are limited

	<ul> <li>More than 2,000 springs exist all over Lebanon with varying flows around the year</li> </ul>
Surface Water	• Total yield exceeds 1200 MCM in an average year, with less than 200 MCM available during the dry summer months
	<ul> <li>Existing surface water resources (springs) are being currently exploited to a large extent by WEs. Limited optimization could be achieved by around 1% per year for the coming 10 years</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Around 650 governmental wells supply WEs throughout the country with potable water. Total volume used in 2009: more than 270 MCM</li> </ul>
Groundwator	<ul> <li>More than 43,000 private wells are used for potable water and agriculture. Total volume used in 2009 is feared to be higher than 440 MCM. Unlike other sources, private wells serve only a portion of the population</li> </ul>
Groundwater	<ul> <li>Although strict policies for groundwater extractions have been initiated, no major reductions in extractions are planned before 2015, planned date for the coming on board of sustainable alternatives. Between 2015 and 2024, private groundwater extractions are to be reduced gradually at a rate of 6%per year with increasing reliance on public wells.</li> <li>Ultimately, withdrawals from aquifers should not exceed natural replenishment rate, i.e. 500 MCM/yr</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Surface storage is mainly concentrated in 2 dams with a total capacity of 235 MCM:</li> </ul>
Surface Storage	<ul> <li>Qaraoun Dam: 220 MCM static and 160 MCM (up to 180 MCM) dynamic</li> </ul>
Surface Storage	Chabrouh Dam: 8 MCM static and up to 15 MCM dynamic
	<ul> <li>Currently, only 45 MCM are used for WS and irrigation, the rest for hydropower</li> </ul>
	The average rate of wastewater treatment reached 4% in 2009 – Virtually no reuse is being currently practiced
Non Conventional	<ul> <li>Limited desalination is done by private sector (4.5MCM) and EDL (5.5 MCM)</li> </ul>
Water	<ul> <li>Additional flows are expected from non conventional sources, but have not been modeled for lack of clarity on available data</li> </ul>

Source: MEW, WEs, Ministry of Agriculture

# 3 scenarios for water resources are studied to balance between the use of groundwater vs. surface storage



# As surface water is limited, the tradeoff between groundwater and surface storage shall be carefully managed to ensure additional needed resources



### Key Highlights

- Currently exploited storage capacity, 45 MCM:
  - Chabrouh: 15 MCM in BML
  - Qaraoun: from the 220 MCM total static capacity (160 MCM dynamic capacity), only 30 MCM are currently exploited: 10 MCM for the irrigation of South Bekaa Phase I (2000 ha) and 20 MCM for Qasmieh - Ras Al Ain irrigation scheme in the South. The rest of the capacity is currently used for hydropower. 110 MCM will be used in the future (2014-2018) for irrigation of South Bekaa Ph II (additional 20 MCM) and, through canal 800, for irrigation (90 MCM) and water supply (20 MCM) in the South
- Groundwater extractions to be reduced to no more than 500 MCM by 2025
- Surface water resources to be optimized to reach around 700 MCM by 2020

## Baseline

## **Demand/Supply Forecasts**

Demand Supply **Demand/Supply Balance** Infrastructure Forecasts

Sector Enabling Environment

**Investment** Plan

Strategic Roadmap

# Several considerations and assumptions on supply/demand outputs are considered based on hydrology and duration

#### Average Year

- Total precipitation: 8.6 BCM/yr
- Total renewable water resources: 4.1 BCM/yr
- Groundwater resources naturally replenished up to 500 MCM/yr

#### Dry Year

- 10 yrs recurrence interval
- Precipitation and surface flows < 70% of average year
- Available groundwater resources: 80% of average year

**Full year** 

- Surface water: 100% of available exploitable throughout the year after optimization
- Groundwater: 90 % of annual renewable capacity
- Used storage: 100% of full capacity (45 MCM in 2010)
- Available surface water: 70% of average year
- Available groundwater: 100% of average year
- Used storage: 100% of full capacity (45 MCM in 2010)

Summer Months (July – October)

- Total demand: ~60% of full year demand (irrigation demand ~70% of full year demand)
- Available surface water: 25% of full year
- Extracted private groundwater: 70% of full year
- Extracted public groundwater: 60% of full year
- Used storage: 65% of full capacity

- Available surface water: 25% of full dry year
- Extracted private groundwater: 70% of full dry year
- Extracted public groundwater: 60% of full dry year
- Used storage: 65% of full capacity



(\*) Additional water resources include artificial recharge of aquifers, reuse of treated wastewater and surface storage









## Baseline

## **Demand/Supply Forecasts**

Demand Supply Demand/Supply Balance Infrastructure Forecasts

Sector Enabling Environment

Investment Plan

Strategic Roadmap

# Outflow of existing surface water resources (springs) will be optimized by around 1% per annum for the period 2011 -2020



Unit Cost of Optimization of Surface Water Resources – Previous Experience

#### Cost of Optimization of Surface Water Resources (in MUSD, 2011-2020)



### Highlights

- Existing surface water resources (springs) are being currently exploited to a large extent by WEs
- Previous experience at MEW proved the efficiency of superficial improvement of the catchment of surface water springs
- An increase of 10-15% of the initial flow during the low season was achieved
- Limited optimization could be achieved by around 1% per year for the period 2011 -2020
- Additional 65 MCM/yr are expected by 2020

# 200 MCM of artificial groundwater recharge are targeted at a first stage (2011-2020)

Potential for Artificial Groundwater Recharge (MCM/yr)



CAPEX Forecast for Artificial Groundwater Recharge (MUSD, 2011-2035)



### **Artificial Groundwater Recharge - Rationale**

- Groundwater aquifers in Lebanon are highly exploited, mainly in Beirut, Tripoli, South Lebanon and the Bekaa.
- Around 500 MCM/yr are being naturally replenished. Current extractions amount to around 700 MCM/yr leading to a deficit of around 200 MCM/yr. As a result, the water table is depleting with saline water intrusion in coastal areas
- Karstic aquifers are well spread all over Lebanon and contain considerable volumes of water
- Groundwater is a localized resource with no surface evaporation and does not involve large transmission systems
- Artificial recharge is technically feasible in a large portion of the country
- Pilot projects can be started near Beirut, Tripoli and Baalbek. The situation in South Lebanon requires deeper consideration
- Preliminary studies show that each well could have a potential flow of 50-100 l/s during a period of at least 3 months

# Up to 670 MCM of static storage (~880 MCM dynamic) can be achieved in identified sites





Designation Static-Dynamic Cap. (MCM)		CAPEX OPEX	Designation	Static-Dynamic Cap. (MCM)			CAPEX	OPEX			
of Dam	Total	WS	Irrig.	(MUSD)	(MUSD/yr)	of Dam	Total	WS	Irrig.	(MUSD)	(MUSD/yr)
Boqaata	6-12	6-12	0.0	69.0	2.3	Kfarhouna	1.2	0.0	1.2	17.0	0.1
El Manzoul	0.35	0.35	0.0	15.0	0.2	Lebaa	0.8	0.0	0.8	15.0	0.1
Bisri	120	120	0.0	265.0	26.4	Azibeh	0.6	0.0	0.6	13.0	0.1
Kaysamani	1.0	1.0	0.0	25.0	0.3	Jarjou	0.5	0.5	0.0	19.0	0.3
Aazounieh	4.1-5.0	4.1-5.0	0.0	65.0	1.1	Chohour	0.56	0.56	0.0	22.0	0.3
Maaser Chouf	2.2	2.2	0.0	53.0	0.5			0.95	0.0		0.2
Damour	42-106	34-94	8-12	150.0	7.3	Jinsnaya	0.95			15.0	
El Janneh	30-90	25-75	5-15	300.0	13.2	Ibl Es Saki	50	15.0	35.0	200.0	3.9
Moukhada	2.0	2.0	0.0	9.0	0.6	Khardali	120	20.0	100.0	280.0	6.4
Ratiba	0.3	0.15	0.15	9.0	0.1	Kfarsir	15	3.0	12.0	45.0	1.8
Total BML	208-339	195-312	13-27	960.0	52.0	Total South	189.6	40.0	149.6	626.0	13.1
Bared	37-90	37-90	0.0	144.0	14	Vermeunsk	4 5	0.0	4 5	Under	0.1
Qarkaf	20-25	0.0	20.0-25	81.0	0.5	Yammouneh	1.5	0.0	1.5	construction	0.1
Kouachra	0.35	0.0	0.35	3.0	0.0	Younine	5.8	5.8	0.0	66.0	1.5
Noura El Tahta	35-50	0.0	35-50	69.0	0.9		62	0.0	62.0	50.0	4.2
Kamoua	1.2	0.0	1.2	25.0	0.1	Assi Phase I	63	0.0	63.0	50.0	1.3
Atolbe	0.70	0.70	0.0	18.0	0.3	Assi Phase II	15	0.0	15.0	141.0	0.8
Mseilha	6-12	5-10	1-2	55.0	2.0						
Balaa	1.2-2.2	1.2-2.2	0.0	26.0	0.4	Barhacha	0.55	0.55	0.0	37.0	0.6
laal	12-18	9.5-14	2.5-4	69.0	3.2	Ain Aarab	2.0	2.0	0.0	21.0	0.5
Brissa	0.8	0.0	0.8	20.0	0.1		2.0	2.0	0.0	21.0	0.5
Dar Boochtar	55.0	20.0	35.0	150.0	3.0	Salaa	2.5	2.5	0.0	36.0	0.6
Ouadi Chich	1.0	0.9	0.1	13.0	0.3	Messe	0.0	4 -	<b>C F</b>	25.0	0.0
Hadat ElJebbe	0.4	0.4	0.0	9.0	0.1	Massa	8.0	1.5	6.5	35.0	0.8
Total North	171-257	75-138	96-119	682.0	25.0	Total Bekaa	98.4	12.4	86.0	386.0	6.0

## Surface storage potential per WE



### Infrastructure forecasting – Water supply transmission & distribution

### Highlights

- CAPEX in first five years are relatively high because of efforts to replace existing over-age assets. More than 50% of existing transmission and distribution assets have reached the end of their useful life
- High Transmission CAPEX for BML and South in 2011-2015 relates to the execution of Awali-Beirut and Canal 800 (WS share only)
- Storage targets to achieve 0,5 and 1 day retention time for BML and other WE's respectively
- Metering targets until 2015 in BML 95%, in North/South 85% and Bekaa 75%. Total meter installation over 1 Million in 2011-2020

Note: (1) Includes bulk meters and storage tanks, (2) includes customer meters, (3) includes CAPEX for Awali-Beirut and Canal 800 conveyors (WS share)

### Infrastructure forecasting – Irrigation



			ssioning	CAPEX	OPEX	
Designation	Area (ha)	Before 2020	After 2020	(MUSD)	(MUSD/yr)	
Noura Et Tahta     Scheme	5,000	$\checkmark$		58	1.2	
2 El Bared Scheme	750	$\checkmark$		6	0.2	
3 Assi River Basin	5,400	>		170	2.8	
4 Younine Scheme	1,550	$\checkmark$		28	0.6	
5 Southern Qaraoun Irrigation Project	500		$\checkmark$	8	0.25	
6 South Bekaa (Phase 2), Left Bank	6,700	$\checkmark$		60	1.25	
South Bekaa, Right Bank & North	12,800		$\checkmark$	35	0.7	
8 South Lebanon- Conveyor 800	14,700	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	255+255	5.2	
<b>9</b> Conveyor Anane- Nabatieh	3,500		$\checkmark$	145	2.6	
<b>10</b> Saida-Jezzine Project	1,200		$\checkmark$	8	0.25	
<b>Qasmieh-Ras El Ain</b> (Phase 2)	2,100		$\checkmark$	22	0.5	
12 Khardale	9,000		$\checkmark$	220	3.8	
Total	63,200	31,600	31,600	1,040	18.35	

Source: MEW

### **Infrastructure forecasting – Wastewater**



### Assumptions

- Schemes that are currently partly funded will be funded and completed and will become operational by 2015
- Schemes that are currently unfunded will be implemented between 2013-2020
- It is estimated that remaining areas not covered by the identified schemes would require around 500 million US\$ and will be implemented between 2013-2020