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Kassab Village File

Beni Suef News Journal Writes about Kassab Village Achievements

Beni Suef News Journal published an article on the cooperation between Kassab Village and CARE organization. The article discussed the main activities and achievements of Kassab Community Development Association (CDA). The CDA consists of thirteen members including one woman. There are a number of pilots projects implemented in cooperation with the EMPOWERS project within CARE organization. These pilots include connecting drinking water pipes to unconnected houses on loan basis, and a proposal to solve high water table



problems. The article added that the main obstacles that the CDA faces are the lack of funding to build the CDA building and the exclusion of Kassab village from participating in the Education Improvement project.

This article signifies the change in the village attitude and the increase in participation and freedom of speech that they now enjoy as their voices are well heard throughout Beni Suef governorate.

The Start of the Second Pilot Project in Kassab Village

The second pilot project in Kassab which is funded by EMPOWERS project consists of three projects with a common goal. The target is to decrease high water table level. The first project is the substitution of the trenched currently made in the village and the establishment of new trenches according to certain scientific standards. The second project is an awareness campaign in the mother



village and hamlets on the importance of conserving water. The third project is buying a tractor to dislodge liquid waste. The tractor cost 140 thousands Egyptian pounds and has already started working on dislodging waste. The CDA will be responsible of managing the tractor and its maintenance. The picture shows how serious is the water table problem in Kassab and the need to work on solving it.

Said ...in the Communities

“EMPOWERS gave us the chance to get out of our houses and participate with men in decision making”
Waffaa Korany- a CDA member and part of the women group in Kassab village.

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