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Iraq Ministry of Water Resources Capacity Building



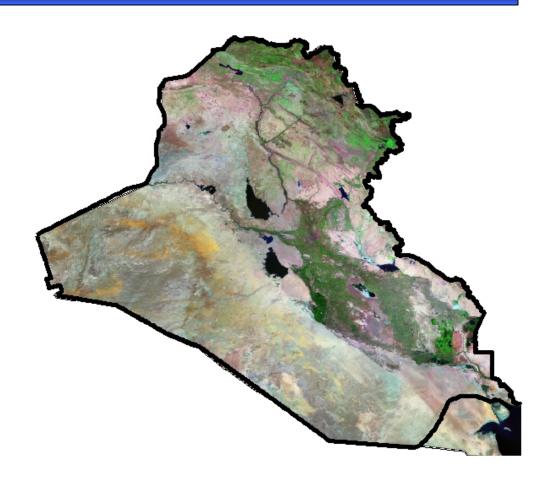


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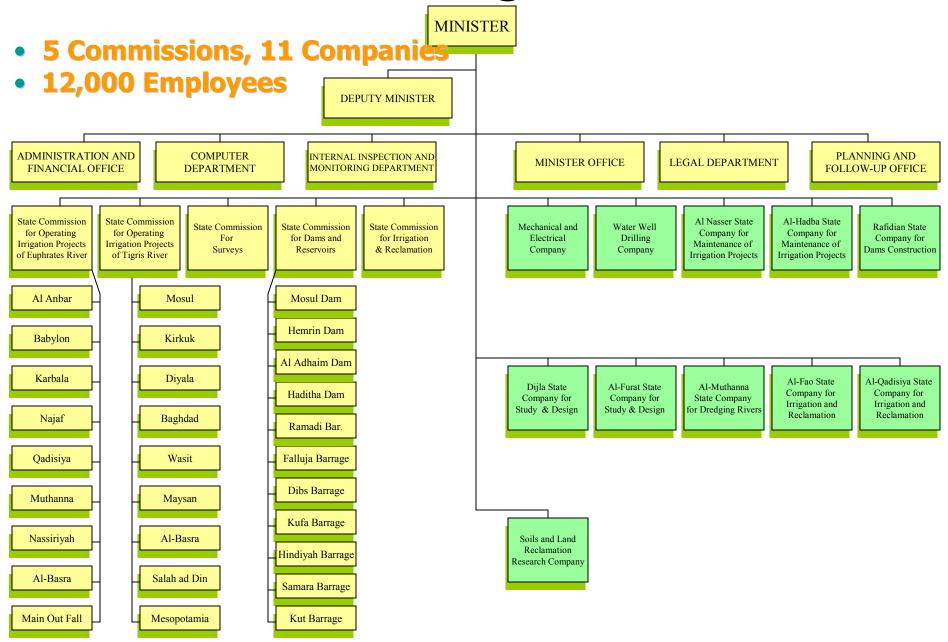
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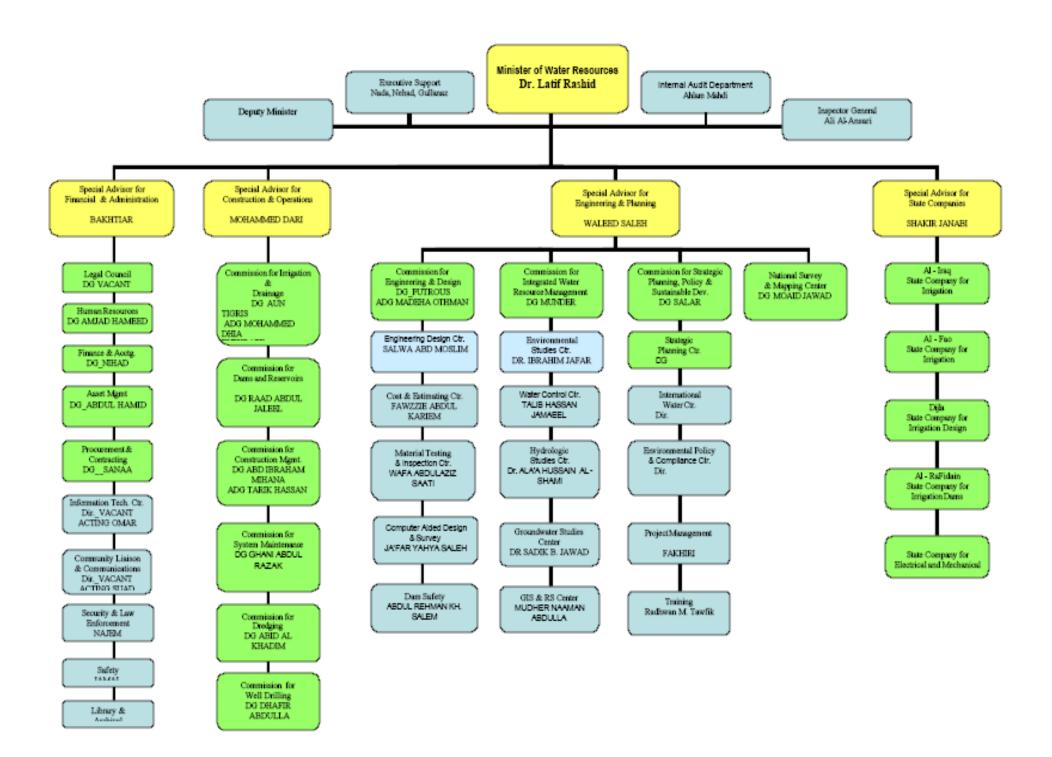
- The Iraq Ministry of Water Resources (MoWR) established in 2003
 - Goal: improve the planning, construction, operation, and management of water resources in Iraq
 - Primarily a restructuring of the Ministry of Irrigation with added functional elements
 - Changes to many of the existing roles and responsibilities within the MoWR
- USACE is supporting the MoWR through a training program designed to build capacity within the MoWR to meet its future demands





Previous Organization





What is Capacity Building?

- Visible leadership in the form of meaningful commitment by senior staff
- A participatory process that is organization-wide
- An open and transparent process to achieve capacity building
- Effective communication of capacity building goals and objectives at all levels
- General buy-in and acceptance of the capacity building program
- Techniques, methods, and metrics adapted to the local situation and needs that encourage risk, failure, success
- Clear objectives and priorities phased according to resources and workload
- Management accountability through open decision-making and explicit responsibilities
- Sufficient time and resources



United Nations Development Program (UNDEP) (1998) "Capacity Assessment and Development In a Systems and Strategic Management Context." UN Development Program Bureau for Development Policy, Management Development and Governance Division, Technical Advisory Paper No. 3



Needs Analysis

- Verify mission, vision, roles, and responsibilities of the functional elements within the MoWR
- Conduct detailed discussions of desired competencies, roles, and responsibilities with special attention to knowledge gaps by MoWR functional element to identify training needs and priorities
- Assess MoWR physical infrastructure to identify office and laboratory facilities, equipment, and training capabilities necessary to construct and operate a state-of-the-art integrated MoWR
- Provide MoWR with an overview of typical water resources management agency organizational structures and technological advances in the field of water resources
- Summarize the findings of the initial consultation team with respect to MoWR capacity building needs and desires
- Recommend further actions to be carried out in a detailed capacity building plan





Initial Consultation Team

- John Hunter (CELRN), Michael Bishop (CEERD-EL), Matt McPherson (CEIWR-HEC)
- November-December 2004, Baghdad







Initial Consultation

- Overviews
 - Goals and objectives
 - Water resources agency management & organizational structures
 - Advances in water resources management technologies
- MoWR Self-Assessments
 - Functional element roles and responsibilities



- Interviews
 - Commission for Irrigation and Drainage
 - National Survey and Mapping Center
 - Commission for WRM: Environmental Studies Center
 - Commission for WRM:
 Groundwater Studies Center
 - Commission for WRM: GIS and Remote Sensing Center
 - Commission for WRM: Water Control Center
 - Commission for WRM: Hydrologic Studies Center
 - Commission for Engineering and Design





Physical Infrastructure: Headquarters



- Offices of the Minister, key department heads, administrative staff
- Meets the needs of the Ministry
- Present system of satellite and cell phones is unreliable
- No centralized computer system for payroll, human resources, email, networking, or multi-user access to database systems
- Firewalls, routers and other computer equipment needed for secure computer communication not evident





Physical Infrastructure: Headquarters



Needs Analysis Results

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Capacity Building Training Program

I. Needs Analysis



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- Research and Development
- GIS and CADD
- Water Resources Management
- Operation of Environmental Analysis Center
- Establishment of a regulatory or compliance authority
- Development of program and project management capabilities





Needs Analysis Results

- Training for personnel staffing a Water Control Center
- Demonstration and hands-on training of snow and water gaging systems
- Short- and intermediate-term training for GIS, surveying, mapping, and CADD
- Formal classes on H&H software tools for water resource management
- Specific training for personnel dealing with irrigation issues
- Training for dam safety and assessment
- Demonstration training for personnel developing regulatory functions
- Training in research and development for hydraulics, environmental, and soil salinity laboratory personnel
- Training for personnel establishing an Environmental Analysis Center
- Specific training for program management of water resource projects
- "Reach-back" training and technical support for MoWR staff elements regarding training opportunities, equipment, software, etc.
- Leadership training for managers and supervisors
- Training for administrative personnel in budgeting, accounting, and financial management
- Training for IT personnel integrated across all ministries that deal with water





Activities By Others

- Hydrologic and hydraulic modeling at USACE HEC (USAID)
- GPS, Remote Sensing, and GIS training provided by ESRI in Jordan
- CADD training in AutoCADD and AutoDesk in UAE/Jordan
- Hydrometeorological gaging training from USACE HEC and US Geological Survey (USGS) (leveraged by us)
- On-going University training for future MoWR staff
- Technical assistance in irrigation, drainage, data acquisition, from Agricultural Reconstruction and Development for Iraq (ARDI)
- UNESCO training in water resource management and water project monitoring
- UNESCO to perform Phase I of a National Water Master Plan (USACE HEC involved)

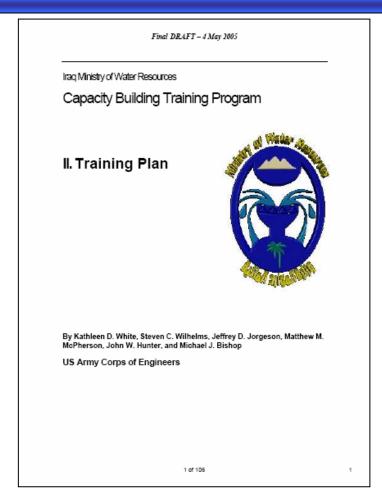




Training Plan

Objectives:

- Provide examples of water resources management to define organizational structure, operations, and policies
- Strengthen staff in the technical skills and personal leadership skills necessary for managing organizational change and growth
- Create internal and external training programs
- Develop and support peer-to-peer information exchanges
- Provide education, training, development, and career management guidance to support a sustainable Training Center
- Demonstrate business and financial processes, program and project management, and management of human resources





Training Plan

- 4 Components:
 - Focused Technical Training (FT)
 - Core Cadre Training (CC)
 - Water Resources Management Training (WRM)
 - Technical Support (TS)
- Recognize all sources of training
 - Public sector
 - Private sector
 - Universities





Selection Type of Training Method Venue Time Performance Metrics Process Irag/ME Refresher (1 week) Selection FT trainees implement technology In-depth FT trainees implement technology and Irag/ME Selection provide support to others (3-4 weeks) Focused Face-to-face Nomination and Technical (FT) In-depth U.S. FT trainees implement technology Competitive Training (1-2 months) Selection Successful completion of Iraq/ME Virtual Selection Intermittent technical training module Nomination and In-depth CC trainees develop implementation Competitive U.S. Core Cadre (CC) (1-2 months) plans for FT classes Face-to-face Selection Training CC trainees perform successfully as Selection Irag/ME Refresher (1-4 weeks) trainers in FT classes Selection Irag/ME Refresher (1 week) In-depth Irag/ME Selection (2-4 weeks) WRM trainees implement technology Water Face-to-face into functional element Resources Nomination and In-depth U.S. Management Competitive (1-2 months) (WRM) Training Selection WRM trainees implement technology Virtual Iraq Selection Intermittent into functional element Virtual (unless in-FY06: Joint PDT-MoWR TS program Technical country N/A Less than a week Iraq Support (TS) FY07: MoWR-run TS program resource is available) WRM trainees implement technology Business Consultant N/A To be determined Iraq Practices into functional element

Training Plan

- 77 training opportunities identified (\$2.5M unfunded)
 - GIS, Surveying, Mapping, CADD
 - Hydraulic and Hydrology
 - Water Resources Management
 - Research and Development
 - Information Technology
 - Sediment Management / River Training
 - Environmental
 - Strategic Planning / Project Management
 - Engineering and Design
 - Project / Construction Management
 - Business Practices, Budgeting, Accounting, and Financial Management



Training Courses (next few months)

- Support to USAID Streamgaging (USGS and USACE, May 2005)
- GIS Core Cadre (June-July 2005)
- Dam Safety (USBR and USACE, August 2005)
- Water Resources Management for Senior Managers (August-September 2005)
- H&H Core Cadre (August-September 2005)
- Water Resources Management Core Cadre (September-October 2005)
- Instructional Training for Core Cadres





Progress to date

- Streamgaging training
 - Supported with equipment and logistics
 - by James Hathorn,
 CESAM and Steve
 Lipscomb, USGS
 - Very favorably received by MoWR





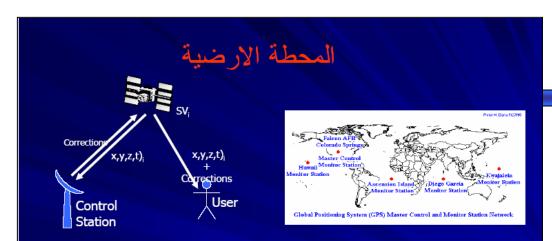


Progress...

- GIS Core Cadre training outcomes
 - Mission, vision, goals
 - Strategic plan for GIS development
 - Preliminary database structure
 - Database development plan
 - RS, GIS, H&H training
 - Web site & poster
 - Training materials
 - Educational materials



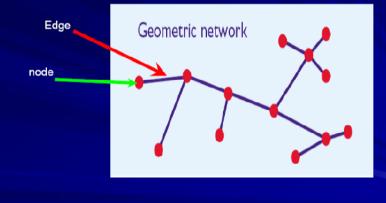




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Way Ahead

- Continue planned training
- Search for additional funding
 - Interim training center at Dokan
 - Unfunded training needs
 - Hydromet gaging critical
- Bright future for MoWR
 - New technology
 - Capability to manage water resources for competing needs
 - Build relationships with technical people in the US



