

Bedouins Meeting

Within Hasa Area, a dedicated consultation session was conducted on 18 December 2025 with Bedouin families and livestock owners. The meeting was attended by approximately 10 livestock owners, representing pastoral households residing along both sides of the main road in the area.

The session aimed to understand the specific livelihood patterns of pastoral communities, including mobility routes, water access challenges, road safety risks, and socio-economic conditions. Participants were provided with an overview of the project and the ESIA process and were invited to share concerns and recommendations related to potential impacts on pastoral livelihoods and community well-being.

Table 1: Record of Bedouins and Herders Disclosure Session - December 2025

Hasa – Bedouins and Herders		
Location: Hasa		
No. of Participants: 10		
Participants: Bedouin families and livestock owners		
Topic	Question	Answer
Environmental, Social, Health, Safety, and Security	Families explained that although they have settled to allow children to attend school, livestock movement continues daily or every one to two days, with one designated family member managing herding activities.	The livelihood pattern and mobility arrangements were acknowledged and documented as part of the socio-economic baseline for pastoral communities.
	Each household owns between 150 and 500 livestock, representing their primary source of income.	
	Livestock must cross the main road due to the absence of pedestrian bridges or designated livestock crossings, posing safety risks to people and animals.	The safety concern was acknowledged. Traffic management and road safety considerations will be assessed as part of construction planning and coordination with relevant authorities.
	Participants indicated that during the Disi Project, a request for a water distribution point was rejected, which they believe contributed to tension and pipeline vandalism.	The concern and lessons learned from previous project experiences were acknowledged and documented for consideration in stakeholder engagement and risk management planning.
	Approximately 70 families reside in the area, with around 250 individuals in total. Households consist of 5–10 members, with approximately five unemployed persons per household.	The socio-economic information was acknowledged and recorded as part of the consultation documentation.
	Children walk 5–10 km to attend school and must cross the main road, raising safety concerns.	The concern was acknowledged and documented.
Employment Opportunities	What share of employment opportunities will be allocated to pastoral communities, and will opportunities directly benefit unemployed youth?	It was clarified that employment opportunities during construction will prioritize local residents within the areas where works are implemented, particularly in roles aligned with their skills and qualifications. Recruitment will be coordinated through national

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		employment programs and in consultation with the municipality and Community Committees to ensure transparency and fair allocation
	Participants expressed readiness to participate in training programs if employment opportunities are made available.	It was clarified that the project company is studying potential collaboration with vocational training centers and relevant institutions to enhance local employability and align skills with project workforce needs.
Water Share	Participants highlighted severe drought conditions, long travel distances (approximately 40 km) to access water for livestock, and reliance on private water tanks for domestic use.	The concern regarding water access was acknowledged and documented. Matters related to water allocation and distribution fall under the mandate of the Ministry of Water and Irrigation and will be communicated through institutional channels.
	Participants requested support for water access for livestock and reduction of long travel distances to water points.	The request was acknowledged and documented. Livelihood considerations, including pastoral activities, are recognized within the ESIA framework and will be managed in coordination with competent authorities and applicable project policies.
Community Support	The government-issued livestock support card allocates 20 kg per head per month, which only lasts approximately 10 days, creating a significant shortfall.	The concern was noted and documented as part of the socio-economic challenges facing pastoral households.
	Participants requested educational support, including assistance for school and university students and provision of transportation for students in remote pastoral areas.	The request was noted and documented. Community support initiatives will be identified and prioritized through coordination with the municipality and established community engagement mechanisms.





Figure 1: Selected Photos from Bedouins and Herders Disclosure Session - December 2025