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Message by CEOSS' President

Dear Partners:

CEOSS continues to achieve its developmental mission to build more robust and resilient societies, in order to reduce poverty and improve the quality of life for the poor and marginalized groups, especially youth, women, children at risk, and people with disabilities, to achieve sustainable, just and inclusive development for all people in all the different fields of development. CEOSS works on providing flexible responses to the current and the expected changes, while being consistent with the attitudes governing public policies and the state's development agenda.

During the past period, there were many supportive opportunities, including the issuance of Law No. 149 of the year 2019, regarding regulating the practice of civil work, which came as an important step in the relationship between the state and the civil organizations, and the launch of a human rights strategy. The strategy includes four main axes: the civil and political rights; the economic, social and cultural rights; the rights of women, children, people with disabilities, youth and the elderly; the education and capacity building in human rights.

Also declaring the year 2022 to be the Year of Civil Society Organizations, which represented an essential factor in renewing the Egyptian state's interest in the civil society; and its right to participate, work, and rebuild the relationship between the state and the civil society on new foundations that serve the goals of the sustainable developmental vision of the Egyptian state.

In addition, CEOSS membership in The National Alliance for Civil Development Action resulted in the implementation of the "Cultivate" Initiative, which comes within the framework of the directives of His Excellency President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, President of the Republic, to expand in the cultivation of strategic crops, especially wheat, which is considered one of the most important sources of food security. The first phase targeted the cultivation of 150,000 acres of wheat, benefiting 100,000 farmers

in (8) governorates. The second phase of the initiative was also launched, which aims to cultivate one million acres of wheat, benefiting 500,000 farmers in 14 governorates.

I am pleased to present this report to our partners and all those who support us in the process of achieving our mission and our achievements for the various work units of CEOSS, in which we sought to highlight the activities and programs carried out by CEOSS and the number of beneficiaries. We hope that it will increase in the coming years, so that we can achieve our mission to serve the Egyptian people and our dear country.

Finally, I am pleased to extend my sincere appreciation to all the ladies and gentlemen, the Chairperson and the members of CEOSS' Board of Directors, for their efforts and continuous support, as well as the ladies and gentlemen, members of CEOSS' General Assembly, and the male and female colleagues who work at CEOSS and the volunteers from the various work areas.

I also extend special thanks to the Ministers of Solidarity, Investment and International Cooperation, Education, Higher Education, Local Development, Environment, Manpower, Awqaf, Interior, Culture, Health, Media, Youth and Sports, Water Resources and Irrigation, Agriculture and Land Reclamation, and Justice; also the Governors of Cairo, Giza, Qalyubia, Beheira, Dakahlia, Fayoum, Beni Suef, Minya, Assiut, Sohag, Luxor, and Aswan; and the partner civil society organizations, the political, popular and executive leaders, as well as the universities, and all the national and regional partners, as well as the partners from the private sector.

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The President of Evangelical churches in Egypt
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Local Development

The Local Development Unit continues to achieve CEOSS mission in development, which focuses on building more resilient societies aiming to reduce poverty and improve the quality of life for the poor and marginalized groups; especially youth, women, children at risk and people with disabilities. It also aims to achieve sustainable, just and inclusive development for all. This is attained through the planning and implementation of a new developmental model, with a development methodology that suits the current stage and serves as a resilient response to the current and expected changes while being consistent with the trends governing public policies and the state's development agenda.





by working on three main axes:

- **First:** The comprehensive development that includes the socioeconomic, environmental and gender fields as well as the institutional capacity building directed at building the societal resilience and strength.
- **Second:** Participation in the implementation of presidential initiatives and national development projects, especially the implementation of the Ezraa (Cultivate) initiative. The initiative is within the framework of the directions of His Excellency President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, Egypt's President, to expand the cultivation of strategic crops, especially wheat that contributes to the achievement of food security. The initiative was implemented under the umbrella of the National Alliance for Civil and Development Action and in partnership with the Ministry of Agriculture. The first phase of the initiative targeted the cultivation of 150,000 acres of wheat, benefiting 100,000 farmers in 8 governorates. The second phase of the initiative was also launched, and it aims at cultivating one million acres of wheat benefiting 500,000 farmers in 14 governorates. Furthermore, CEOSS continued to participate in **Hayat Kareema (Lives)..... Initiative**, the **Nour Hayah (Light is Life) Initiative**, and the **Moatna (Citizenship) Initiative**, This is in addition to the participation in the **Forsa (Opportunity) Program for Economic Empowerment**, and the **Waii (Awareness) Program for Community Development** in partnership with the Ministry of Social Solidarity.



Youth Volunteering Campaign



Decent Life Initiative



Our children are warm



Distribution of blankets

•Third: Social Protection and Emergency programs

directed to the most vulnerable groups in order to reduce the economic burdens on citizens, especially those resulting from the current global crises. This is done through mobilizing community resources and partnering with many institutions such as the Egyptian Clothing Bank and Hands Along the Nile and participating in Ketf be Ketf (Shoulder to Shoulder) initiative under the umbrella of the National Alliance for Civil Development Action.

In another context, the Local Development Unit continued to adopt various development issues, especially the issue of climate change. In this context, the Unit participated in the United Nations Climate Change Summit COP 27, which was hosted by Egypt in Sharm El-Sheikh. COP 27 is the most important and largest event that aimed at the recognition of the developed countries of their responsibilities towards the climatic changes. During the summit, the Local Development Unit held many important events, including: Organizing (4) seminars on the challenges and demands of people with disabilities in order to enhance their resilience and ability to withstand climate change, enhancing the resilience of small farmers in order to confront and adapt to the effects of climate change, resilient housing to face climate change, and the rural women and climate change. This, in addition to holding an exhibition in which examples of CEOSS' contributions in confronting the issue of climate change were displayed. Noteworthy is the participation of many ministers, governors, representatives of international and national civil society organizations, media professionals, and public figures in the events that were held by CEOSS.

-In the same context, a solidarity document was launched in order to contribute effectively in strengthening the resilience of local communities to confront climate change; promoting the dissemination of the culture of environmental work and improving the behavior of the society towards the environment. In addition to implementing local initiatives to protect natural resources, and support the spirit of volunteerism among citizens, especially young people of both genders, to contribute and work to implement these local initiatives to preserve the environment and its natural resources for current and future generations. The document was signed by 2,500 public figures, university professors, executive leaders, members of the Parliament and the Shoura Council, local partner associations, institutions and partner community organizations, consultants and experts interested in environmental issues, and media professionals.

-In a related context and coinciding with the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, which is held annually by the United Nations on October 17th of each year, the Local Development Unit organized two events, one in Al-Minya and one in Cairo, governorates to celebrate this day under the title "Decent Life for All". The celebration aimed at committing to the implementation of the 2030 sustainable development goals and contributing to the improvement of the quality of life for all citizens, especially for those most in need of care in rural and urban areas in the governorates of the Arab Republic of Egypt.



The participation of a number of ministers and governors in the events organized by CEOSS during COP 27



Shoulder to Shoulder initiative



CEOSS booth (COP 27)



poverty eradication day / decent lives for all

The following presents the most important achievements of this year, in the three axes, as follows:



First, The comprehensive development that includes the socioeconomic, environmental and gender fields as well as the institutional capacity building directed at building the societal resilience and strength.

Rehabilitation Program for Persons with Disabilities

The program continues to enable persons with disabilities and their families to participate effectively in society, and to advocate for their rights, enhance their inclusion in the society, and work to eliminate all forms of discrimination practiced against them.

Quantitative Achievement

2,363 people with disabilities and their families benefited from the Community Based Rehabilitation Program "CBR" to enhance their inclusion within their communities..

898 Families of persons with disabilities that have been trained to support the community in the inclusion of their children with disabilities.

1466 Persons with disabilities have their access to their rights improved through public services, specialized rehabilitation programs, reproductive health programs, and other inclusive activities (social, artistic, sports, and recreational).

965 Citizens had their awareness enhanced with the correct concepts related to disability and inclusive development



This year, the program organized intensified capacity-building interventions for community cadres and officials of public institutions, to increase their knowledge and skills in order to support people with disabilities and include them in the society. This included:

- Rehabilitation of (31) community rehabilitation cadres in order to integrate reproductive and sexual health programs into the specialized rehabilitation programs provided within the units.
- Training public service providers in Al-Khalifa and Ezbet Khairallah areas on the correct disability concepts in order to include people with disabilities into public services.
- Training employees of the Department of Museum Education for Persons with Disabilities, that is affiliated to the Supreme Council of Antiquities on the correct concepts of disability, to increase the availability of museum activities for persons with different types of disability.
- Implementing a new initiative to provide food menus in Braille for persons with visual disabilities, in cooperation with a number of famous restaurants, which enables people with visual disabilities to read and get to know the types and prices of meals so they can choose by themselves.



THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS:

- In partnership with NEXTGEN in the Middle East, a "Night to Shine" celebration was organized* during which more than 60 young men and women with mental and motor disabilities were crowned and celebrated as princes and princesses, and the talents of children were discovered. The ceremony was held with the participation of the families of the persons with disabilities, a number of members of Parliament, government leaders, and some public figures who are interested in the disability issue.
- Launching "Our Touristic Monuments" initiative by organizing visits for persons with disabilities and their families to visit Egyptian museums across Egypt. This is done in cooperation with the Department of Museum Education for persons with disabilities affiliated to the Supreme Council of Antiquities.
- Celebrating the International White Cane Day to encourage persons with visual disabilities to use the cane and educate society about its importance.



Success Story

My name is Janna Maher. I'm 11 years old and I have a visual disability. Because of my disability, I used to like to sit at home alone, and I didn't like to talk to anyone. I was afraid of anyone approaching me or saying a mean word that would make me feel ashamed or upset. My mother started taking me to the rehabilitation unit, and there Ms Ashgan used to sit and play with me. She would talk to me a lot about all the things that bothered me and the things that I couldn't do, and she taught me how not to be ashamed and how, if someone annoyed me and touched me badly, to talk to my mother about it and tell her what happened. she started making me play games with my friends. Bit by bit, I started to love my friends and got used to them. One time I participated in a camp with many children, and spent time in a large and spacious place with many animals.. I kept playing and laughing with my friends and my teacher, and I was very, very happy.



Erada Program

The program continues to provide a supportive internal and external environment for the integration and inclusion of persons with disabilities within public life.



8 Institutions physically adapted for easy access by persons with disabilities.



75 People with disabilities benefited from repair and maintenance campaigns of prosthetic devices.



8 People with disabilities benefited from frequently visiting the institutions that were physically rehabilitated.



50 Persons with disabilities benefited from the availability of wheelchairs.



- Signing a cooperation protocol with the Charitable Investment Fund to Support persons with disabilities "Ataa". The protocol aimed at physically adapting the universities of Zagazig and Menoufia, so that students with motor and visual disabilities can move around within the universities, to facilitate their practice of the educational process. Through this protocol, accessibility work was implemented in (7) colleges within the Universities of Zagazig and Menoufia by applying the accessibility code for persons with disabilities.
- Participation in the "Initiators" conference and exhibition in its second round under the title "Assistive Tools and Technologies for Persons with Disabilities" 2023. It is the annual conference for persons with disabilities under the sponsorship of the Prime Minister, through which CEOSS presented its expertise in the field of providing an inclusive environment for people with disabilities. This was done by implementing accessibility models within the Egyptian public institutions and universities based on the Egyptian Accessibility Code, in addition to providing mobility aids and devices through the Erada Factory.

Early Childhood Development and Children at Risk program

This program aims to contribute to securing a better life for children and their families, and to create a protective environment for them. This in turn ensures the protection of the humanity, dignity and childhood of these children, and reduces the impact of poverty, exposure to exploitation, and physical and psychological abuse.

3487 of children at-risk and their families were enabled to obtain their economic and social rights

833 children and their families received medical care services in various specialties.

1219 families and children benefited from awareness and counseling services.

233 children were supported to have a steady attendance at schools and be protected from dropping out of education.

946 children had their creative and behavioral skills developed through their participation in various community activities (trips, camps, sports and cultural activities)

56 street-children were psychologically and socially rehabilitated.

200 children and their families were provided with disinfectants to protect them and prevent the spreading of Covid-19.

- Partnering with the National Council for Childhood and Motherhood in organizing a workshop with members from the protection committees in Beni Suef, in order to enhance their role in protecting children at risk.
- Promoting the use of art in building the awareness of children at risk, through the production and presentation of the play "Hayat", with the participation of working children and street-children. It aimed at raising awareness of environmental conservation.
- Designing a program to provide psychosocial support to children exposed to risks and crises. Community leaders were also trained to provide them with the skills needed to use the program with children at risk, especially street children.





Success Story

“All her fault lies in being a girl”

I am A.F. from Ezbet Khairallah - Old Egypt and a mother of three daughters.

The story is the story of my seven-year-old daughter, whom we refused to send to school “because she is a girl,” as if she did not have the right to learn. We were convinced that the girl was destined to get married and leave her father’s house. Unfortunately, this is due to the upbringing we have received in our society, which differentiates the rights of boys and girls to the point that some families are afraid to give birth to daughters, as if the family that did not bring the boy didn’t bare children at all, and the mother continues to suffer and be ridiculed because she bore girls only.

One time I heard about a project being implemented by the Coptic Evangelical Organization for Social Services and the CBO, and I attended a seminar on education and its importance; and that it is a right for everyone, for all boys and girls. Of course, because of my old conviction, I said that the girl does not have the right to learn and that eventually she belongs to her husband’s house, but the boy (bears the name of his father) especially since we cannot afford her education, and as a result of my opinion, the leaders of the CBO talked to me and my husband about my daughter’s right to education and its importance, and they also talked to us about solutions to the difficulties that we were afraid of regarding educating our girl. They actually succeeded in convincing us of my daughter’s right and how important it is for her to be educated; and encouraged us to enroll her in school. Because our financial situation was difficult, they helped pay the school fees, and they also helped facilitating the procedures for registering my daughter in school (because we managed to apply just before the deadline; at the last period of time before the opportunity would be lost). Thank God, my daughter is now attending school regularly, and she is enjoying her right to education.

Economic Development program

Work continues in the field of economic empowerment for the poor groups of young men and women, in the poor and marginalized communities, in order to enable them to access a decent job opportunity and to increase income ensuring a decent life for them.

1,084 young men and women had their professional and administrative skills raised and they are now qualified to join the labor market.

623 received professional and administrative training.

203 were self-employed (after training/without training).

119 young entrepreneurs and owners of startups received technical and legal support.

73 artisan women and those working in the informal sector whose projects were registered and obtained a license to practice the profession.

11 women working in the informal sector who have been enrolled in formal work.

55 cadres and young leaders inducing change who graduated from the training program for social and economic empowerment.

Qualitative achievement

- Participation in the fourth cycle of the "Our Heritage" exhibition for handicrafts and heritage artifacts, which is held under the sponsorship of Mr. President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, President of Egypt. The exhibition was opened by Mr. Prime Minister, who inspected the pavilion of CEOSS and learned about our development programs and viewed the products of the artisan women and business owners at the exhibition. In addition, members of the Crafts Forum participated in many other exhibitions such as Welcome Our Schools, and Sports Expo.
- Forming the Women Crafts Forum, which aims at creating an economic entity that works on unifying their efforts and positioning them within a framework that helps shed the light on their handmade products and use advanced marketing techniques.



New business strategy for the program

Launching an electronic training platform to provide entrepreneurship development services to owners of small and micro enterprises, in line with the technological development and international and national trends in digital transformation.

THE MOST IMPORTANT PARTNERSHIPS

- Signing a cooperation protocol with the Union of Arab Women Investors and the Businesswomen's Association for Development. The protocols cover many development fields, including supporting entrepreneurial ideas for entrepreneurs, especially women, and providing job opportunities and trainings for employment. It also includes providing job opportunities for people with disabilities, achieving financial inclusion. In addition to holding exhibitions for handicrafts, opening marketing opportunities, and supporting the exchange of experiences for artisan women and university students between Egypt and the African countries.
- CEOSS, in Beni Suf Governorate, joined the committee of "Unifying the Efforts" for economic empowerment that is formed by the governorate's general office, and which is concerned with providing a package of economic development interventions in the governorate.
- Partnership with the Center of Entrepreneurship and Innovation at the Faculty of Business Administration at the American University in Cairo in the Women's Economic Empowerment Project.
- Partnership with the Ayadi Misr platform, affiliated with the Ministry of Local Development in Al-Minya Governorate, with the goal of registering artisan women on the platform, to build their capabilities in the various fields that enable them to market products.
- Continuing the partnership with the Enterprise Development Agency, Manpower, and Social Insurance.

THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS:

- Organizing a celebration to graduate (55) young men and women, "Champions of Change" of local communities in Al-Minya Governorate, after attending a (44) days training program, which aimed at empowering them to become leaders and champions of change in their local communities, by adopting community initiatives that contribute to creating social and economically empowerment in their communities.
- Under the slogan "The Future of Our Youth," and as an implementation of the cooperation protocol signed between the Ministry of Manpower and CEOSS, (2) youth employment forums were organized, the first in Al-Minya Governorate and opened by Mr. Major General, the Minister Governor of Al-Minya, and the second in Cairo Governorate and opened by Mr. Assistant Minister of Manpower. 60 of the largest establishments and companies participated in the forum, which provided (4,000) job opportunities for young people of both genders, with various academic qualifications. Also, 1,600 young people of both genders, who graduated from universities, institutes, and technical schools, attended the meetings seeking job opportunities.



Ophthalmology Program

The program aims at reducing avoidable blindness by reaching the poor citizens, who are deprived of the access to these services, especially children (from one day to 15 years of age) and the elderly (45 years and above), by providing comprehensive and sustainable health care systems to ensure the best vision possible for citizens.

Quantitative Achievement

22,272

citizens benefited from the interventions made to combat avoidable blindness

303

underwent major and minor surgeries.

4,599

benefited from medicines and treatment.

3,176

had their vision defects corrected through receiving eyeglasses.

13,020

had a medical examination

1,174

were educated about the prevention of eye diseases.



- 1- The program expanded by working in (16) new communities in the governorates of Cairo, Qalyubia, Al-Minya, and Beni Suef.
- 2- The program continued to enhance the availability of comprehensive health care services, to combat avoidable blindness in local communities, including:
 - Improving the integration of combating blindness and vision diseases into primary health care systems, including building the capabilities of a number of medical teams in health units on the early detection of eye diseases and implementing referral systems to the most specialized agencies.
 - Partnering with public health institutions, the private sector, and civil society organizations in order to activate referral systems and the treatment at the expense of the state, etc. Examples of this partnership include the directorates of health and population in Cairo and Beni Suef, the military hospital in Beni Suef, the Ophthalmology hospital in Road al-Farag, the Egyptian African Eye Center, and Orchid and Talent Pharma pharmaceutical companies.
- Qualifying community cadres with the knowledge and skills that enable them to provide first aid to some injured cases until they are referred to specialized organizations.
- 3- The program succeeded in building partnerships with many agencies to implement the eye health interventions for those working in such agencies; including Cairo Governorate, South Maadi Branch district, and the Public Transport Organization in Beheira Governorate (Sayyida Zeinab neighborhood). There was also a partnership with the Evangelical Medical Center to implement medical convoys for the Ministry of International Cooperation.



Health Program

The program aims at improving the health status of women, children and adolescents, by enhancing equitable access to resources, enabling them to access public health services, and empowering them to cope with pressures and risks.

Quantitative Achievement

5,387

citizens were enabled to obtain their rights from the health service providers

89

women were made aware of the importance and methods of the early detection of tumors.



3,939

citizens benefited from medical examinations and treatment in various medical specialties (internal medicine, heart diseases, blood pressure, diabetes, bones, skin, breast tumors).

198

were referred for advanced examinations and treatment.

1,40

children were examined and treated from malnutrition diseases.



This year, the program focused on launching a number of specific medical campaigns in some areas. This included organizing a campaign for the early detection of diabetes in the villages of Al-Minya Governorate. Medical campaigns were also launched to enhance children's readiness for the school year in the governorates of Cairo, Giza, and Qalyubia, targeting the detection and treatment of diseases that have the largest impact on the comprehensive capabilities of the school students.



THE MOST IMPORTANT PARTNERSHIPS

- Partnership with Benha University, the Community Service and Environmental Affairs Sector and Benha Faculty of Medicine - in organizing a comprehensive medical convoy under the slogan "For Better Health for all Egyptians," in order to provide medical services to the citizens most in need and most deserving of care, and to treat them in the deprived villages. This included conducting examinations, providing treatment in several specialties: internal medicine, orthopedics, and dermatology, with many cases referred to Banha University Hospital for advanced examinations or surgical operations.
- Partnership with Baheya Foundation in organizing campaigns to raise women's awareness on the importance of the early detection of breast tumors, in the governorates of Cairo, Giza, and Qalyubia, conducting examinations for early detection, and referring discovered cases to the competent authorities.
- Partnership with the Directorate of Health and Population in Beni Suef to implement comprehensive health convoys for the poorest families, and provide free examination and treatment services in several specialties, including internal medicine, dermatology, and gynecology.

Agriculture program

The program continues to contribute to the improvement of the quality of life of small farmers, animal breeders and fishermen through the development of rural areas, and enabling them to invest the available resources and expertise, to reach a competitive social advantage and access the most profitable markets.

184,325 small farmers and livestock and poultry breeders have been economically empowered in order to increase their income and their living conditions.

Amount	Achievement Items (sub)
30397	small farmers had their agricultural production improved through the application of good agricultural practices.
9363	small farmers benefited from technical support and agricultural consultation services.
205	rural women have implemented small agricultural projects that achieve food security and increased income.
35921	small farmers, both male and female, had their awareness raised on climate change, its potential impacts, and how to protect themselves from its negative impacts.
105320	families of small livestock breeders benefited from veterinary care services to improve animal production.
3119	rural women and girls were trained to produce safe and healthy food through their participation in nutrition classes.





- During this year, the program intensified its adoption of several main causes, the most important of which are:
- * Expanding the cultivation of strategic crops that achieve food security, especially wheat.
- * **Preserving natural resources:** especially water, by implementing advanced irrigation models "drip irrigation networks using solar energy," which help rationalize water consumption, reduce costs and increase productivity. This in turn contributes to increasing the income of small farmers.
- * **Confronting climate changes:** In this framework, the mobile application "Morshid zaki" was launched to help small farmers learn about the expected weather conditions and how to confront any changes, and adhere to the recommendations sent by a team of consultants specialized in various agricultural crops. Awareness campaigns were also implemented to help small farmers to know more about the application, its importance, and how to use it.

- * **Increasing marketing opportunities:** In this context, fair marketing opportunities were provided for the benefit of small farmers, through a partnership with the Contract Farming Center at the Ministry of Agriculture for the (soybeans, sesame, and sunflowers) crops.
- * **Continuous development in the implementation of modern agriculture:** In this context, agricultural models were applied using greenhouses and tunnels, in which zucchini, cucumbers, peppers, and cabbage were grown.
- **Announcement of the Cooperative Value Chains Association for the Marketing and Production of Agricultural Products in Fayoum:** which was established by linking small farmers with the local communities, with the aim of forming an official entity that represents them and defends their rights, as well as empowering small farmers to move from individual work to collective work, and maximizing marketing opportunities.

The Environment Program

With the aim of mobilizing society towards sound management of natural resources and water, and community cohesion towards environmental causes and climate change, the following was achieved:

548

citizens were made aware of the issues of climate change and the preservation of natural resources.

150

community cadres had their capacities built to enable them to disseminate awareness on preserving natural resources and water management.





-Building partnerships with different governmental agencies, Egyptian universities, and research centers, in order to mobilize efforts to face climate change challenges and preserve natural resources, including:

* The cooperation with the Faculty of Agriculture in Mashtohour, Benha University, in launching “Our Students are the Champions of Change” initiative, which aims at qualifying university students to disseminate the awareness on climate change, its effects, and methods of coping and adaptation, through their media platforms. The initiative was launched during the first conference organized by CEOSS in cooperation with the college under the title “Preserving natural resources within the framework of sustainable development.” The conference came with a number of decisions that included the formation of an advisory council of professors and researchers at Benha University to supervise the initiative, with the aim of qualifying university youth on the subject of climate change to implement initiatives that will serve the environment and society, in addition to providing innovative

solutions to address the effects of climate change, including irrigation models and others. It was also decided to launch youth dialogue platforms on the issue of climate change, and to include the impact of climate change in university education activities.

- * Partnership with the Environmental Affairs Agency in Al-Minya in organizing several awareness-raising meetings and training workshops, to impart knowledge and skills on how to preserve the environment, rationalize water consumption, and recycle waste.
 - * Partnership with the Climate Change Research Institute, affiliated with the Water Research Center, to raise citizens’ awareness on the importance of climate change to preserve natural resources and rational water management.
- 2- Celebrating the World Environment Day, in which students of the basic education levels in Minya Governorate participated. Its activities included intensifying awareness of environmental issues, green transformation, and growing environmentally friendly plants.

Educational program

The program continues to work with the compulsory education phases that targets male and female students, school teachers and workers, and parents. Through this period, the following was achieved:

In cooperation with the General Authority for Cultural Palaces, cultural convoys and mobile theater, activities were launched for the villages most in need of cultural services, benefiting a number of (18,890) citizens of all age groups. The organized events included art workshops that aimed at discovering and developing the creative abilities in the fields of theatrical work, drawing and coloring, recycling waste and making accessories. During the events, educational seminars were held to raise awareness on various developmental topics.

Also, a project was implemented to promote the resilience of (4) communities in Al-Minya Governorate to face water and sanitation issues and adapt to climate change. The project targeted students from compulsory education levels, their families, and school staff to achieve the following:

- 1- Raise the awareness of (2732) students from the compulsory education levels in Al-Minya on environmental issues and the importance of preserving the environment and rationalizing water consumption. They were also provided with the skills of recycling waste in innovative ways.
- 2- Improve the knowledge and skills of (62) teachers, members of community committees, and (188) families on environmental issues and the importance of preserving natural resources and using clean energy.
- 3- Design and launch the Al-Minya Governorate Science and Engineering Competition (ISEF 2023), in partnership with Al-Minya Directorate of Education, which aimed at motivating students to create scientific project models to preserve environmental resources. The projects were evaluated by specialists, and finally a ceremony was organized to award the distinguished projects.





Housing program

The housing program continues to achieve its goals towards families enjoying their right to adequate housing conditions for decent life that is environmentally safe and healthy.



1578 of low-income families benefited from developing their homes into healthy and environmentally adequate housing.

Qualitative achievement

- Geographical expansion of the program in (7) new communities in Qalyubia, Al-Minya and Beni Suef Governorates.
- Building the capabilities of (76) members of the housing committees, providing them with the knowledge and technical skills related to the program, and enhancing their roles throughout the stages of planning, implementation, follow-up, and marketing of the program.

A new strategy was implemented in the program

- Providing non-financial services to the families by the housing support committees, that were formed and had their capabilities built to carry out this role, in the field of technical consultation for the structural design of the house so that it meets adequate housing standards.
- Applying financial inclusion after hiring two electronic collection companies (Bi and Masary Financial Services Companies) to provide electronic transfer and collection of loans services.
- Adopting housing climate resilient approach, after CEOSS participation in the Climate Summit and addressing the housing issues relevant to climate change facing the poor, to support them in developing more climate resilient homes.



THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS:

Within the framework of promoting the values of community volunteering in development efforts, (2) volunteer camps were implemented, in which groups of students from the British School and the Rise Energy Foundation participated, during which they assisted a number of families in the working communities in Al-Minya and Beni Suef in carrying out their home improvement work.

Gender program

The program continues to achieve its goals towards achieving gender equality, empowering women and girls, and combating all forms of discrimination and gender-based violence.



Quantitative Achievement

Amount	Achievement Items (sub)
30397	small farmers had their agricultural production improved through the application of good
1337	beneficiaries participated in meetings about gender balance and combating violence against women in local communities.
51	members of partner CBOs, community committees and support groups had their capacities built on gender balance.
92	representatives of the private sector companies participated in the capacity building package on women's economic empowerment.

Implementing a regional pilot project “Activating the role of the private sector for women’s economic rights in Egypt, Morocco and Tunisia (Middle East and North Africa region)”, which aims at structuring a multi-sectoral dialogue and provide a space to shed the light on the positive results and strategies for the role of the private sector in improving women’s economic equality, by developing or introducing some internal policies and procedures that support the economic empowerment of women, through training and dialogue with the civil society, the government, and the policy makers. Through this project, CEOSS achieved the following during this year:



1- Forming a national committee represented by government agencies (the Ministries of Manpower, Planning and Economic Development, Culture, and the Egyptian Railways Organization) in addition to representatives from (15) Egyptian private sector companies and civil society organizations. This committee works on supporting private sector companies to enhance their practices towards empowering women economically, implement local initiatives, and also benefit from the disseminated learning experiences.

2- Designing (15) local initiatives at the level of (15) private sector companies in Egypt aimed at supporting women's economic empowerment and enhancing their access to their rights at work. Through these initiatives, the companies reviewed and developed their policies, especially the employment policy to ensure equal opportunities, the anti-harassment policy, the Anti-Discrimination Policy, Women's Employment Regulations in accordance with the Egyptian Labor Law (No. 12 of the year 2003).

3- CEOSS' participation in the "Regional Private Sector Conference for Women's Economic Rights in Egypt, Morocco, and Tunisia," which was held in Morocco during February 2023. The conference addressed the project's results and lessons learned, exchange of experiences regarding analyzing the general environment on gender equality, the plans for the next steps to achieve sustainability, and the strengthened efforts to promote women's economic rights.

4- Launching the document "We stand in solidarity together to support and empower women in the workplace," through which, CEOSS confirms its continued commitment and support to working on creating a supportive, safe, stimulating and incubating environment for women in the private sector. CEOSS extends an invitation to all partners from parties and actors concerned with all different sectors of society, as well as citizens, to stand in solidarity together to encourage women's participation in the labor

market and enhance efforts to combat gender-based violence so that it contributes to the economic empowerment of Egyptian women.



Institutional Capacity Building program directed at building community resilience

The program continues to achieve its goal of enhancing preparedness, and community resilience among individuals, groups, institutions and local communities, so that they have the ability to develop mechanisms that enable them to face current and potential changes and threats in order to combat poverty and achieve development.

Quantitative Achievement

Amount	Achievement Items (sub)
38	contractual partnerships with CBOs/committees to implement local initiatives in order to build community resilience.
685	members of committees and members of boards of directors of civil society organizations had their capacities built.

Qualitative achievement

The program continued to develop intervention strategies to build institutional capacities by providing technical support directed at building the resilience in community organizations “elected committees - resilience committees” and partner civil society organizations, both through CEOSS staff, as well as the development mentors whose capacities had previously been built. In addition to other interventions directed through training programs, supporting services and exchanging of experiences.



Mobilizing community resources and volunteering

There was a move towards spreading the culture of volunteer work and consolidating the concept of citizenship. In this context, the following was achieved:

- Launching of a summer campaign to promote the idea of volunteering among young people of both sexes ages 12 to 21 years, under the title “We are young people. We change and we affect change.” The campaign aims at developing the skills and enhancing the value of volunteering for young people of both sexes, male and female, and providing them with the opportunity to participate in society and invest their abilities and time in “Bringing about positive change in local communities, as well as providing them with opportunities to learn about the fields of community development, sustainable development goals, Egypt’s 2030 plan, and the role of youth in achieving it.” This activity coincides with the celebration of the International Youth Day, which falls on August 12 of each year.
- The participation in the celebration of the International Volunteer Day in partnership with the United Nations Volunteer Office (UNV) at the Museum of Egyptian Civilization, and with the participation of more than 20 institutions and civil society organizations from the Volunteer Work Partners Network, and important public and governmental figures. The most important initiatives undertaken by volunteers to serve the community were presented, as well as honoring outstanding volunteer models.



Second: Participation in the implementation of presidential initiatives and national development projects

Cultivate Initiative

Within the framework of the directives of His Excellency President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, President of the Republic of Egypt, to expand the cultivation of strategic crops, especially wheat, which is considered one of the most important axes in achieving food security, the Coptic Evangelical Organization implemented the "Cultivate" initiative under the umbrella of the National Alliance for Civil and Development Action, and in partnership with the Egyptian Ministry of Agriculture, through which an area of 150,000 acres of wheat was cultivated, benefiting 100,000 farmers, in (8) governorates: Beni Suef, Al-Minya, Assiut, Sohag, Beheira, Dakahlia, Qalyubia, and Fayoum. This initiative contributed to increasing the productivity of the wheat crop by 26 ardab per acre (150kg each) in some governorates, where the farmers supplied the crop at fair prices; benefiting from the price advantage decided by the State for the wheat crop.



Amount	The services that the farmers received through the cultivate initiative
31068	small farmers had their wheat productivity improved by planting high-yielding seed
102180	small farmers benefited from technical support and agricultural extension services.
105806	small farmers have benefited from field school services.



THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS:

- Organizing several events to launch the first phase of the "Cultivate" initiative in (8) governorates. (2) public celebrations were also organized to celebrate the harvest of the first phase of wheat and the announcement and launch of the second phase, which includes 500,000 small farmers and one million acres of wheat. Nearly 13 farmers from 14 governorates participated in these celebrations, as well as many executive and popular leaders, members of the Parliament and the Shoura Council, the media, partner NGOs, farmers' organizations, and other supporting bodies. During the celebrations, farmers and agricultural extension staff who excelled in the implementation of the initiative's activities, were recognized and honored.
- Under the umbrella of the National Alliance, a workshop was organized on the challenges faced by the agricultural sector, the development of small farmers, and improving agricultural productivity, in order to reach a number of proposals and recommendations, and work on them during the implementation of the second phase of the "Cultivate" initiative, with the participation of a number of community leaders and public figures.
- (8) Ramadan Iftar celebrations were organized for (13,500) farmers from Cultivate initiative in the working governorates, in the presence of the governors, deputy governors, representatives of Parliament, popular and executive bodies, and representatives of partner CBOs.



Success Story

My name is Gamal Muhammad Ali, from the village of Atsa in Al-Minya Governorate. I took the seeds of Misr 1 from CEOSS and Cultivate Initiative. Frankly, we were afraid of the seeds because it was the first time to plant this type. I took the seeds, and the extension staff began to give us farmers' field schools FFSs, a lesson after the other. Also, the specialized consultants conducted field visits, to follow up the growth of the crops, and write recommendations. He followed up with us starting the first day. My children and I began to feel reassured when we found that the wheat started to grow (showing signs of maturation and spikes appearing on it). When we started harvesting at the beginning of May, it was a surprise for us that an acre yielded 26 ardabs (150 kg each) of wheat, and this was the first time that had happened.

Thanks to all who served us from the beginning, giving the seeds at half the price to the free information, and thanks to the National Alliance and thanks to the Coptic Evangelical Organization for all the support they provided for us.

Hayat Kareema / Decent Life Initiative

Continued participation in Hayat Kareema Initiative, which aims at raising the economic, social and environmental level of the Egyptians, especially families in poor villages, and enable them to obtain all basic services, and maximize their ability in the productive work that contributes to achieving a decent life through cooperation with the relevant ministries, and in partnership with civil institutions and associations.



13,563 families and citizens benefited from various development interventions in the villages targeted by the initiative.

Quantitative Achievement

Amount	Achievement Items (sub)
2250	families of the most vulnerable groups benefited from the distribution of food supplies to help them withstand economic crises.
150	children benefited from the distribution of jackets to protect them from the sever cold winter.
250	families benefited from the distribution of blankets to protect them from the cold of winter.
587	citizens benefited from medical convoys in multiple specialties.
306	citizens, had their vision defects corrected by receiving eye glasses.
20	citizens underwent cataract surgeries.
10000	citizens and children, had their awareness raised and received cultural services (drawing and coloring workshops/waste recycling/accessory making/knitting/artistic performances...)

Noor Hayat Initiative

CEOSS' continued participation in the presidential initiative "Noor Hayat" in coordination and partnership with Long Live Egypt Fund "Tahya Misr Fund", which aims at combating the causes of weakness and loss of vision for the elderly and the students in primary schools and to reduce avoidable blindness in the poorest villages.

Quantitative Achievement

(135) citizens underwent major operations.



Citizenship Initiative

CEOSS continues to work on the citizenship initiative to enhance the values and practices of citizenship and respect for religious and cultural diversity within (7) communities in Al-Minya Governorate, by creating a social, cultural and developmental climate that supports community peace and sustainable development. This was achieved through the implementation of a package of developmental, cultural and economic interventions, , through designing an integrated development model that is implemented by two units from CEOSS, the Local Development Unit and the Forum for Intercultural Dialogue Unit, and in partnership with and funded by the Ministry of Social Solidarity.



478 citizens and their families benefited from the development interventions in the Citizenship Initiative

Amount	Achievement Items (sub)
217	benefited from eye health services (examination and treatment).
78	benefited from eye surgeries (major and minor)
59	family benefited from clean water connections to their homes.
124	persons with disabilities benefited from prosthetic devices (wheelchairs).

THE MOST IMPORTANT PARTNERSHIPS

Signing a cooperation protocol with Al-Minya Water and Sanitation Company to deliver clean water to the homes of the most needy families at a 50% discount.

THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS:

Under the sponsorship and honor of Mr. Major General the Minister, Governor of Al-Minya, a celebration was organized under the slogan "Heroes from Our Country", during which the light was shed on the best development models that had an impact in promoting the values and practices of citizenship in work communities. The celebration also included the distribution of (124) wheelchairs for people with disabilities. The celebration was held at the General Office of Al-Minya Governorate, and many executive and popular leaders in the governorate participated, along with 350 citizens who benefited from the initiative, as well as members of committees, natural leaders, and Islamic and Christian clergy in the working communities.

Forsa Program for Economic Empowerment

In partnership with the Ministry of Social Solidarity, CEOSS participated in Forsa Program for Economic Empowerment, which aims at enhancing the means of economic empowerment and reduce poverty for the groups that receive conditional cash support from Takaful and Karama Program, and helping them move from the difficult economic conditions to stable and more independent conditions. It targets 1,200 families in Qalyubia and Al-Minya governorates.

Waii programme

CEOSS participated in implementing Waii program for community development launched by the Ministry of Social Solidarity, which aims at forming positive societal values, attitudes, and behaviors that would lead to improving the quality of life for all family members, helping the breakout of the cycle of multidimensional poverty, and enhancing the country's sustainable development efforts. The program raised the awareness on a number of societal issues, including education, child marriages, female genital mutilation, population issues, citizenship, disability, combating addiction, employment, illegal immigration, maternal and child health, hygiene and public health, and the positive parenting. The Local Development Unit is implementing this program in the northern governorates of Upper Egypt (Beni Suef - Fayoum – Al-Minya - Assiut).

- **(40)** community cadres in the northern part of the Upper Egypt region have been trained and qualified to become trainers in the field of the causes adopted by the program.
- **(9490)** citizens were made aware of the causes adopted by the program, to increase their knowledge and enhance positive attitudes and practices.
- **(150)** representatives from the relevant governmental, media, religious and civil organizations participated in planning and implementing activities to build community awareness and motivate citizens to enhance their positive practices towards the issues raised.
- 4 awareness centers were established in the governorates of the northern region of Upper Egypt that allow providing awareness services to citizens and providing them with awareness curricula and tools.



Third: The axis of implementing social protection and relief programs.

During this year, we moved towards mobilizing community resources and building institutional partnerships in order to provide social protection and relief services to the poor and most vulnerable groups to reduce the economic burdens on the citizens, especially those resulting from global crises in the current period. In this context, the following was achieved:


- (12,507) families benefited from social protection interventions, including the services provided by the Ketf fee Ketf initiative, under the umbrella of the National Alliance for Civil and Development Work, which is the largest social protection initiative in the history of civil development work, through which boxes of food supplies were distributed to a number of families in 200 villages and random areas, with the participation of nearly 2,000 volunteers in the work communities.
- (5,300) of the poorest citizens were supported with clothes and blankets through the partnership established with the Egyptian Clothing Bank.
- (700) jackets were distributed among working children, children with disabilities, and children enrolled in social care institutions through the partnership established with Hands Along the Nile to implement "Our Children Are Warm" initiative.



the Agriculture Hub

The Agriculture Hub aims to maximize economic return which contributes to providing high quality services with competitive prices. This is attained through enhancing value chains and supporting competitive aspects of agricultural products in the international and national markets. Also, increasing service availability outlets for the poorest and neediest groups and communities. (Quality services, competitive prices, more profitable marketing opportunities)





First: Post-harvest services station

The station prepares agricultural products through sorting, packing, cooling and drying the crops to maximize the added value of the crops through post-harvest services.

Achievements

- Processing 1,725 tons of agricultural crops, including (774 tons in the local market, 951 tons for export) carrots, onions, strawberries, beans, peas, okra, mango, grapes, garlic, and pomegranates.
- Providing job opportunities for 500 workers, 90% women.
- Developing the infrastructure by adding two conveyors for sorting and packing inside the station hall. This increased the daily production capacity of the station by three times.
- Carrying out a market study to identify the target beneficiaries, whether from the local or international markets, and to identify the technical characteristics required for each market

Second: Agricultural Machinery and Equipment

Applying agricultural practices in cultivation and harvest of various crops lead to improving product quality, reducing waste, reducing production costs, and improving productivity through all phases from soil preparation to harvest, which eventually contributes to improving people's economic level.

- Supporting farmers' abilities to use agricultural equipment which aims at reducing the cost for about 500 farmers.
- Using machinery across various agricultural operations for an area of 2,485 acres in Mattai work communities and some areas adjacent to Mattai Center for the agricultural stages: soil preparation stage (ploughing, hoeing machine), cultivation stage (planter), harvest stage (wheat harvesters), post-harvest stage (grinders).
- Adopting cultivation of strategic crops that contribute to food security process by completing the cultivation and harvesting system, applying value added to wheat, and adding new equipment such as laser leveling, which helps in saving water and reducing the costs for farmers.

Achievements

Third: The contractual agricultural center and sieving unit

It aims at improving the economic level of the farmers by linking them to the most profitable markets, and signing marketing contracts between small farmers and markets through:

1- Contractual agriculture and supplying crops to companies

- According to the expansions made through contractual agriculture in terms of areas and multi-crops; Work was done to study the market needs in terms of the nature of the crops and their specifications. One of the most important priorities during this period is to work on oil crops and strategic crops, as well as, the cultivated land areas for these crops that were referred to in the indicators.
- Building capacities of 500 farmers regarding studying marketing opportunities for multiple crops (soybeans, sunflowers, potatoes, basil, carrots).
- Signing 4 marketing contracts for potatoes, carrots and sesame crops for about 63 acres with private sector companies such as Agrostars Company and Halwani Brothers Company.....
- Signing contracts with 34 farmers.
- Contracting to supply 150 tons of oil crops such as sunflowers and soybeans.

2- Production requirements

Providing high-quality production supplies such as:

- Providing seeds according to farmers' needs for 1,500 acres. 1,000 farmers cultivating corn, wheat and cucumber crops benefited from this.
- Providing 500 farmers with high-quality fertilizers for an area of 300 acres.



3- Technical support

- Capacity building and raising awareness of 1,000 farmers about the types and varieties of seeds and fertilizers.
- Implementing 15 field exhibitions with the participation of 400 farmers, which aimed to educate farmers about the modern agricultural practices and the fertilization needs of the different crops, in order to achieve increased productivity.

4- Sieving unit

In the framework of operating the sieving unit, a market study was conducted as an essential step for recognizing the specifications of the required products, and for marketing the farmers' crops as well. This has been achieved through:

- Onset of test run using manual sieves and producing sieved and packed samples of crops (cumin / anise / thyme / black seed), to be ready for the local market.
- Seeking to sign strategic contracts with companies to sieve and pack sesame, and with farmers to plant and grow sesame crops after applying added value transactions.
- Applying the value added process to 70 tones of medicinal and aromatic crops (cumin, sesame, anise, thyme, coriander, black seed). Then act as a supplier to private sector companies, markets and individual citizens.

Fourth: agricultural lands

This component contributes to sharing the best practices and experiences through applying different replicable agricultural models to plant clean and safe crops, which enhances the economic conditions of the farmers as well as enriches the opportunities of learning and acquiring new experiences about the different agricultural methods.

Qualitative achievement

- 1- The production of 51 tons of crops (bell peppers, chili peppers, tomatoes, beans, cucumbers, wheat).
- 2- Cultivating 600 lemon seedlings around the Al-Mazraa wall for protection and production.
- 3- Implementing a set of procedures for land service, such as:
 - Grafting 1500 avocado trees with the types Red, Has and Fuerte varieties to produce well know and more marketable varieties. It is worth mentioning that this process succeeded by 95%.
 - Separation of 100 seedlings of Magdool Palm trees.
 - 300 palm trees were pollinated to 1,500 saplings.
 - Activating and developing outlets for marketing products by equipping mobile vehicles in public squares (greenhouses - agricultural land).
 - Continuous development of drainage paths to mitigate the challenging factors by changing the drainage path of the agricultural land as a result of the increased level of sewage water
 - Relying on safe agriculture without pesticides, while using safe pesticides that have zero harm on the consumers, such as biopesticides



Partnerships

- Partnership with the Seed Production Department of the Ministry of Agriculture, and providing high-yield seeds for the wheat crop.
- Partnership with multiple companies specialized in the field of fertilizers and nutrients (Quisna, Agrimatko - to name a few), and high-quality fertilizers were provided.
- Partnership with the Egyptian Food Investment Company to supply the strawberry crop, which was in turn reflected on the station's growth in local supplies.
- Partnership with the private sector companies represented by C&A Export and Import Company, which exported onion crops to the Netherlands.
- Partnership with Al-Hadba Company for Export and Import, which exported garlic to Russia.
- Partnership with the Matai City Council, the local unit Iwan, the Matai Drainage and Irrigation Department, and the agricultural association affiliated with it, with the aim of benefiting from the available services.

Microfinance

Through the Microfinance unit, those who are in need and economically active are empowered to better manage their businesses to increase their income and improve their living conditions.



This has been done through:

- Expansion and geographical spread, for providing the largest number of economically active people - in - need with and financial and technical services for developing and their projects.
- Applying standards of reliable financing and customer protection.
- Encouraging financing the environmentally friendly projects/ideas .
- Expanding partnerships with financial institutions and electronic payment companies for facilitating issuance and collection of payments and meeting customer requirements in the best way possible. .
- Enhancing the availability and accessibility of information technology systems for providing beneficiaries with smart, easy and proper customer service.
- Increasing the microfinance unit staff competency and performance, to approach the optimum quality and best practices.



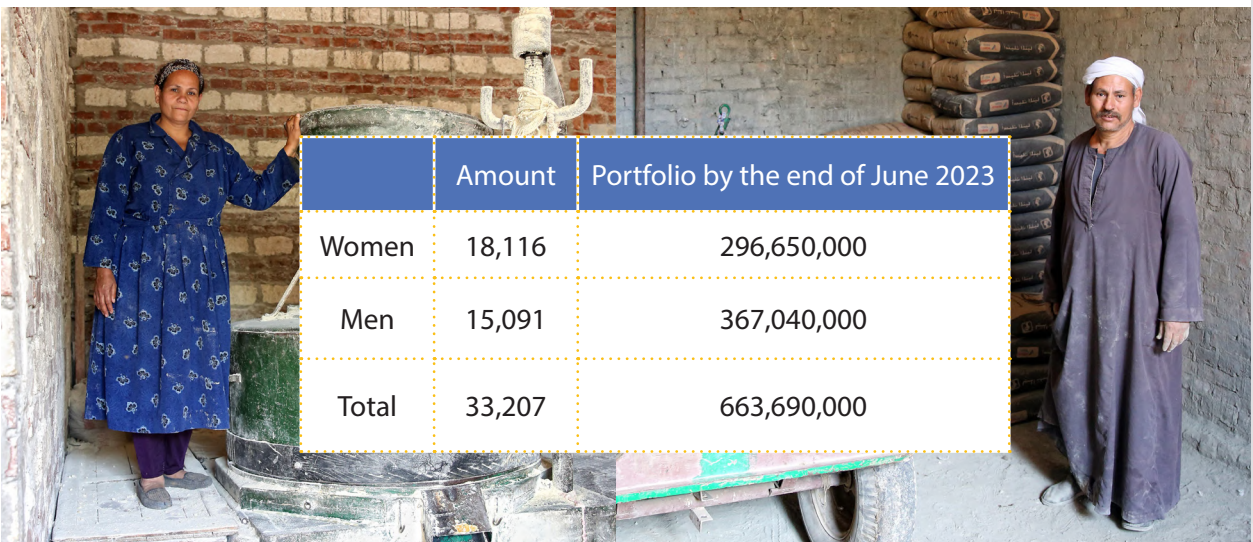
	Total
Number of loans issued	35,987
Value of loans issued	935,364,000

Repayment rate June 2023	99.3%
Risk Portfolio Ratio June 2023	1.3%
Number of active clients	33,207



North Egypt		South Egypt	
No.	Value	No.	Value
15,515	330,264,000	20,472	605,100,000

Wallet	Amount	Portfolio by the end of June 2023
Menoufia	812	14,526,000
Qalyubiya	1840	41,203,000
Cairo	6053	110,766,000
Giza	4938	55,206,000
Beni Souef	2820	64,206,000
Al-Minya	12413	272,477,000
Asyut	3317	75,753,000
Sohag and Qena	1014	29,553,000
Total	33207	663,690,000



	Amount	Portfolio by the end of June 2023
Women	18,116	296,650,000
Men	15,091	367,040,000
Total	33,207	663,690,000

- Opening new branches: Hadayek al-Qubba in Cairo Governorate, Mattay north of Al-Minya Governorate, and Mallawi east of Al-Minya Governorate. Currently, the total number of the Micro-finance branches became 45 branches in the governorates of Menoufia, Qalyubia, Cairo, Giza, Beni Suef, Al-Minya, Assiut, Sohag and Qena.
- Contracting with Al-Ahly electronic and O-pay company for electronic payments.
- Providing beneficiaries with “Meeza” cards in cooperation with the National Bank.
- Renewing the membership of CEOSS Microfinance officer in the Board of Trustees of the Microfinance monitoring department of the Financial Regulatory Authority.
- Expanding the use of digital platforms to raise the beneficiaries' awareness on managing and developing their products. In this regard 1435 users benefited from the application. On the other hand, the social media pages followers hit 3,808 persons, with 265, 359 views, and 1,307 new members.
- Using new mechanisms to survey beneficiaries' satisfaction regarding the services provided.
- Activating the fair pricing mechanism under the supervision of the Financial Supervision Organization.
- Participating in exhibitions in Assiut and Al-Minya governorates to enhance reaching out to the targeted people.



- 1- The General Organization for Financial Supervision
- 2- National Bank of Egypt
- 3- Banque Misr
- 4- Bee Company
- 5- Fawry Company
- 6- Opay company
- 7- Al-Ahly electronic Company
- 8- Engineer for Life Insurance





Success Story

1- **Souad** is 60 years old, married, and has three children. Recently, Souad started up a small shoe repair workshop to increase her family's income to be able to cover life's increasing commitments and essential living conditions. After a period of time and due to workload, the equipment Souad was using started to depreciate and that was a challenge for providing quality services. This led Souad to apply for her first loan from CEOSS, which was LE 2500, to buy shoe sewing machine. This marked a milestone in her business lifecycle. As work continued, the workshop became a source of income for Souad's family and for her son's family as well, who later became fully dedicated to work with her in the workshop! Souad was an active loan applicant for several times, and with every new loan she was successful to make the best use of it by upgrading and sustaining her business. Souad now is managing a loan of LE 35000 and her project's capital of equipment and goods exceeded LE 70000. She still has many dreams for her future business, and is diligently working for achieving them!



2- **Raymond** from Deir Mawas, Al-Minya Governorate. I started my career as a traveler photographer holding a small basic camera. But I was lucky to hear about CEOSS Microfinancing services from some of my peers. I wasn't reluctant to apply for a loan which was for LE 4000. I bought a new camera and that was a turning point in my entire life. After that, I received further loans from CEOSS and I was always keen to upscale and develop my project base. Now, and after a long journey of hard work, I own a professional studio and an office, I hired some people to work with me as the work became expanded and well-established. I was able to get married and to provide a better life for my family. Recently, I equipped and opened another location for photo sessions, where I am hiring more of young people from my local community.



Dialogue

The Dialogue Unit continues to spread and enhance the culture of dialogue and peacebuilding, by empowering active groups in the field of dialogue, especially young religious leaders from Islamic and Christian religious institutions, workers in cultural organizations, media and academic institutions, and civil society institutions. This is done in partnership with governmental and non-governmental organizations and institutions, at the local, regional and international levels in order to contribute to building a pluralistic democratic society based on the values of citizenship and principles of human rights; respects diversity and difference within a fair constitutional and legal framework. The interventions of the Dialogue unit go in line with the state's trends in adopting a dialogue methodology to confront current challenges, and with the sustainable development goals, and Egypt's Vision 2030.



Work was carried out during the year according to a number of tracks, including:

- Continuing the programs to enhance the capabilities of the active groups in local communities in the field of dialogue and peace building, while expanding in targeting new categories, including representatives of government organizations, officials from cultural palaces, youth centers, and scouts.
- Continuing the networking and coordination with the Egyptian government through partnership with the Ministry of Social Solidarity in the national initiatives through an initiative to enhance the values and practices of citizenship in Al-Minya Governorate.
- Strengthening partnerships with government institutions such as universities, cultural and religious institutions.

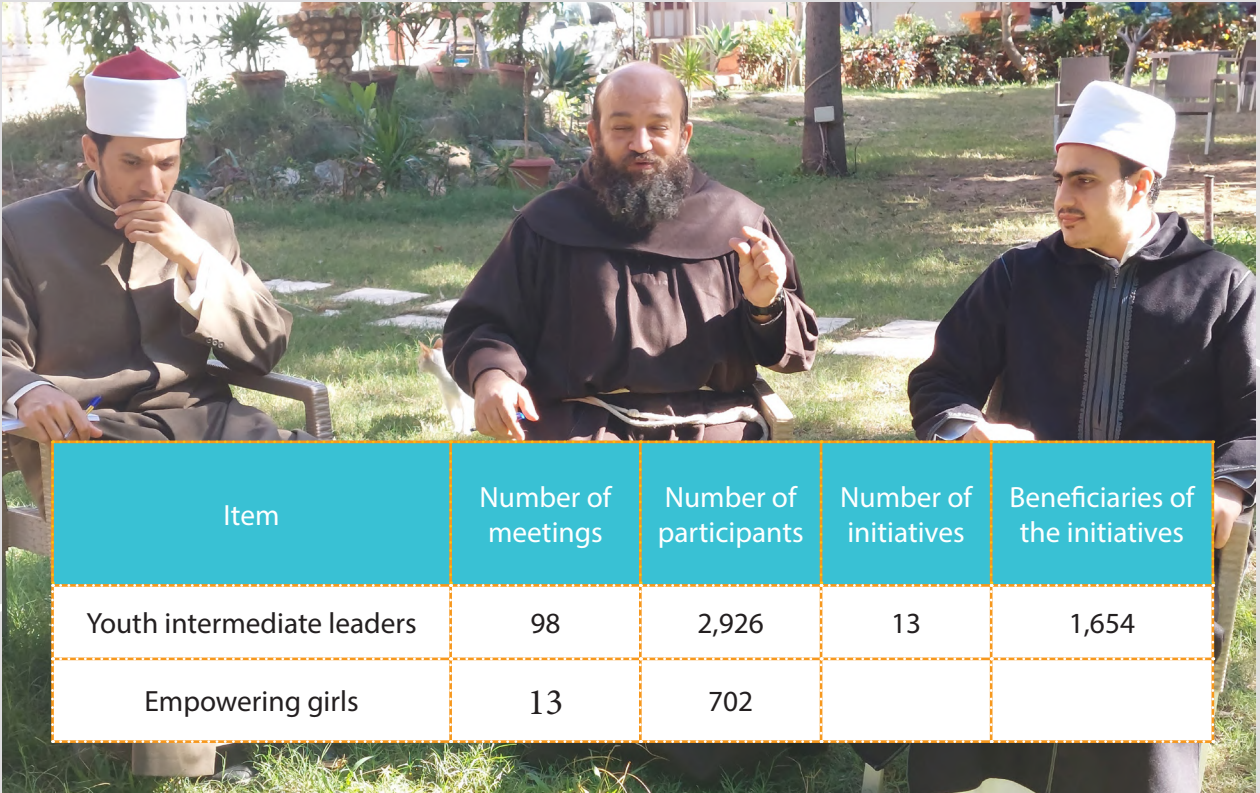
Youth Capacity Enhancement Program

The program aims at strengthening the capabilities of young leader cadres in the field of dialogue (this includes religious leaders, preachers, servants, academics, media professionals, civil society representatives and students in religious institutions) to contribute to bringing about positive change in their communities.

First, the Religious Leaders

- Preparing a document with Islamic and Christian religious texts that urge preserving the environment and its resources and dealing with it as God's creation. This document was used to raise awareness in mosques and churches, and it was presented at the COP 27 climate conference.
- Sheikh Dr. Mahmoud Sayed Muhammad, along with groups of religious leaders, presented research entitled "Intellectual Terrorism and Its Impact on Taking Away World Peace," in which he addressed the impact of extremism and the rejection of openness and multiculturalism in the society. This was at the second international scientific conference organized by the Faculty of Islamic Da'wah at Al-Azhar University, entitled "The Impact of Terrorism on Peace".
- Al-Azhar Al-Sharif's female preachers share their experiences in the Religious Leaders Program on social media and articles to support the values of citizenship in the Official Newspaper of Al-Azhar Al-Sharif.
- Organizing visits to schools to engage in dialogue with students and holding seminars on the values of citizenship and confronting forms of violence.





Item	Number of meetings	Number of participants	Number of initiatives	Beneficiaries of the initiatives
Youth intermediate leaders	98	2,926	13	1,654
Empowering girls	13	702		

Second, Academics:

- A group of academics produced illustrations with the students to explain and simplify the concepts of citizenship, cultural diversity, and gender.
- Integrating the values of citizenship into academic advisory processes and encouraging the students to adopt graduation projects that enhance the values and practices of citizenship.
- Encouraging students to produce (handicrafts, reports, research papers, and illustrations) about the values of citizenship and respecting the one who is different, in order to spread these values among the students.



Third, Media Professionals:



- Working with media professionals who are interested in publishing photos, reports, TikTok videos, and writing news and articles about the values of citizenship, the acceptance of others, and tolerance.
- The expansion of the organized use of social media (through the official pages of the Coptic Evangelical Organization for Social Services (CEOSS) on Facebook and YouTube, and the Yalla Hewar page), which contributed to reaching large numbers of citizens and raising their awareness of the values of citizenship,
- The celebration of the United Nations International Days that are in line with the FID's issues, and what supports the goals of sustainable development and the issues of



Fourth, Representatives of Civil Society Organizations:



- In cooperation with 28 civil society organizations, an initiative was launched under the slogan “Our Value is Our Humanity” to celebrate the International Human Rights Day in nine governorates, which included various activities to emphasize the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
- Establishing volunteer units within a number of partner civil society organizations and developing regulations and policies regulating volunteering.
- Incorporating the strategic plans of the values of citizenship, diversity and pluralism into a number of partner associations.
- Enhancing the ability of civil society representatives in the work groups, who are members of the reconciliation committees in Aswan Governorate, to provide a better performance, fair and objective solutions to the problems and issues subject to the work of these committees.



Fifth, Representatives of Government Organizations(including officials from cultural palaces, youth centers, and scouts.)

- Within the framework of integrating efforts with the state, the “Generations for Peace” initiative was launched in the communities of the Decent Life Initiative and the neighborhoods in which it is implemented, with the aim of promoting citizenship that supports cultural diversity among youth and children.
- Through the initiatives, the volunteer role of individuals, associations, religious leaders, and scouting teams has been activated, which is consistent with the state’s strategy to enhance the culture of volunteerism in Egypt for the year 2022.



Sixth, girls in Upper Egypt

Within the framework of the economic and social empowerment of women in Upper Egypt (Al-Minya Governorate):

- Girls’ capabilities have been enhanced and they were made able to spread peace, contribute to solving problems and breaking barriers within their local communities.



Examples of initiatives done by the youth groups

There were many individual initiatives adopted by the young people. Some of them used Tik Tok to spread episodes about pluralism and the acceptance of others; and some of them adopted environmental citizenship and took on an initiative to plant rooftops in their community. This is in addition to a number of religious leaders adopting individual initiatives that enhance dialogue between people of different cultures and present an open proposal, including:

The "I Speak and I Hear You" initiative

A hashtag that allows a state of dialogue in which the religious leadership engages in dialogue and presents an informed vision on the issues raised on the page, which includes people's questions. Individual initiatives have addressed many pressing societal issues, which reflect the ability of change agents to monitor these issues and devise creative methods using technology and the arts to stimulate the mind about these issues and to adopt community solutions that enhance community cohesion.

"Psychological support for peacemakers"

The initiative aimed at enhancing the provision of psychological support for religious leaders. It included a theatrical performance that presented a social drama and emphasized the role of the religious leadership along with the role of the family and society in reducing the phenomenon of suicide among young men/women.

"There is Life In dialogue" Initiative

The idea of the initiative was carried out in coordination and cooperation between the Al-Salah Association, which serves the residents of the village of Rizqa Al-Deir Al-Muharraq, and the Al-Birr wal Taqwa Association, which serves the residents of the Arab Al-Gahma area, with the aim of breaking the stereotypical image of the different other, especially in educational institutions. The two associations coordinated with the educational administrations, and targeted 8 schools in the region. A number of cultural lectures and seminars were held, in addition to sports competitions between mixed teams of school students, as well as the planting of fifty seedlings with the participation of the young people of the eight targeted schools.



Advocacy and Gaining Support Program

The program aims at advocating and gaining support by dealing with the root causes of the issues and including them on the agenda of the public opinion, the media and the legislative institutions, adopting new attitudes and ideas, and influencing decision-makers to take positive steps towards dealing with these issues. During this year, the program had the following achievements:

- Preparing a study on citizenship that supports diversity and pluralism in Egypt.
- Some intercultural leaders have embraced the issue of diversity and pluralism through their writings or the television programs they call for, which contributes to raising the level of societal awareness of this issue.
- A number of (4) civil society organizations prepared codes of conduct to integrate the values of cultural diversity and acceptance of pluralism, and they were approved by the official authorities and were included in the associations' policies and procedures manual.
- Aswan University prepared a code of conduct as a model for the human development and training unit on cultural diversity. It was approved by the unit's Board of Directors in the university and was included in the policies and procedures manual.
- The General Authority for Cultural Palaces prepares a code of conduct for integrating the values of cultural diversity and pluralism, and it has been announced and distributed on the palaces and houses of culture in the governorates, centers and villages, to be followed and adhered to as rules organizing the work.
- Producing a bulletin called "Citizenship that Embraces Cultural Diversity" resulted in contributions that reached approximately 270,000 people.

Item	Number of meetings	Number of participants
Intercultural leaders and opinion makers in the advocacy component	7	289



Integrated Development Model Program

The program aims at enhancing the opportunities for integration between dialogue and development inputs through complementary paths that contribute to improving the quality of life for the families in the poor communities. It is based on economic empowerment at the intersection of cultural and social dimensions and depends on the participation of the local community in all the stages of the model's work. During the past year, the program achieved the following:

- Improving the ability of community committees to deal with problems and resolve conflicts that occur in their communities and their use of dialogue skills to solve some development problems.
- In King Mariout, community committees were able to overcome polarization between Muslims and Christians and between young people of both sexes. The region witnessed a positive shift in the relationship between the various parties.



Item	Number of development models	Number of families	Beneficiaries (chil-dren, youth, women and
Integrated models (Assiut and Alexandria)	2	100 families in each community	2000 beneficiaries

International Dialogue Program

The FID hosted approximately 50 participants, including intellectuals, academics, parliamentarians, and civil society activists from 15 Arab and European countries, including the countries of (Egypt - Saudi Arabia - Iraq - Germany - France - Jordan - Morocco - Russia - Greece - Austria - UAE - Tunisia - Poland - Sweden - Denmark). Within the framework of the eighth Arab-European dialogue held by the FID entitled Religion and Civil Society, in partnership with the Sigtuna Foundation.



Initiatives in partnership with the Egyptian government

Work continued on the initiative to enhance the values and practices of citizenship in 8 villages in Al-Minya Governorate, in partnership with the Ministry of Social Solidarity, with the aim of promoting the values and practices of citizenship and respect for cultural diversity by creating a social, cultural and developmental environment that supports societal peace and sustainable development through the following achievements:

- 7 meetings in which 250 participants participated.
- Forming community committees representing all segments of society, which contributed to spreading the values of citizenship and peace, in a voluntary manner, as the activities and events carried out in the villages considered the practices of citizenship, equality, and took into account the least represented groups.

Influential partnerships

At the national level, the FID was able to strengthen its social networks, represented by the relationship with state institutions, religious and academic institutions, and civil society, and to consolidate the network of relationships with intellectual leaders. The unit intensifies efforts in addressing cultural issues and integrates more partners in the areas with influence in order to build awareness and social reform. Among these partnerships:

- The Islamic and Christian religious institutions represented in (the Ministry of Awqaf - Al-Azhar Al-Sharif - the Supreme Academy for Islamic Research - the Egyptian Church with its three denominations (Orthodox - Evangelical - Catholic)
- The Egyptian universities, represented by (Luxor University - Aswan University - Beni Suef University - Assiut University)
- The cultural institutions represented by (the General Authority for Cultural Palaces, the Egyptian Public Library - Al-Sanari House, affiliated with the Library of Alexandria)

New inputs

- Engaging in international days and national events that align with the FID's objectives, with the aim of making best use of the event in education, spreading awareness, and highlighting the most important relevant successes.
- Using educational cards for women and children, especially for those who cannot read, and using games such as Snakes and Ladders, to promote the values of citizenship, tolerance, acceptance of others, belonging and equality in a smooth, simple and enjoyable way, and achieve sustainability.
- Designing a guide to convey the values of citizenship through sports and arts in an interactive manner by specialists.
- Forming a social cultural observatory for the FID, from friends of the forum who are intellectual leaders with experience in the field of monitoring and analyzing the realities, as well as the young academics who have research experience and the ability to monitor and analyze; with the aim of providing in

the future analytical materials (reports and research), proposals for topics that the FID will discuss in its meetings, news, press releases and talks to respond to a specific issue or to raise awareness about another. In addition to proposals for working papers/position papers.

- Forming two crisis management committees, from the graduates of the FID's programs, one in Alexandria and the other in Al-Minya, with the aim of supporting new youth groups with ideas and experiences, and assisting them in implementing initiatives, as well as working to support community peace by confronting crises or urgent community problems.
- Using art, sports, and visiting archaeological sites to spread the values of dialogue among youth and children in local communities that suffer from deprivation has contributed to correcting many stereotypes about the other by producing many artistic works that express the richness and beauty of diversity. These outputs were presented in many occasions, including the Cairo International Book



Examples of success stories

For the first time in the villages of Qena Governorate, in the southern region of Upper Egypt, girls ran a marathon to support awareness of human rights. Despite upper Egypt is dominated by a culture that prevents women from engaging in these activities, 150 girls, led by a member of the Parliament, ran a marathon during which they held banners with the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights within the "Our Value is in Our Humanity" initiative on the International Human Rights Day.

From the fear of the other to working together to develop the Imbaba community: Ms. Afaf Badr – a servant at the Church of the Virgin Mary and Saint Abanoub in Imbaba:

I grew up in a conservative Christian family, so I isolated myself from the society and chose the church as a protection. I even chose my friends from the church. I visualized everyone with a beard as an extremist, and I had never dealt with a sheikh before. Whenever I saw one in the street, I would be afraid of him.

When I was nominated by the church to participate in the program, I was fully convinced that it would fail, especially since I saw the youth of Imbaba not having sufficient awareness and being overwhelmed by stubbornness. But I continued in the program to prove to myself the validity of my convictions.

At the beginning of the program, I was impressed by the scientific methodology in monitoring the needs, the scientific arrangement of topics, and the selection of trainers. We began to learn the concepts of dialogue, the acceptance of differences, teamwork, and religious tolerance.

By time, my convictions began to change, and from my dealings with the religious leaders in the group, my misconceptions about the Islamic religious leaders changed, and I began to deal with the Islamic leaders as I deal with the pastor in the church. I learned and I applied how to work in a team despite our differences religiously, ideologically, and even socially. When we applied what we had learned in the community initiatives in Imbaba, I felt that I was deprived of a great pleasure. So, we worked together to spread the values that we have learned about accepting others and religious tolerance. I did not limit myself to the initiatives that we implemented, but rather I began to correct misconceptions within the church and implemented awareness sessions for families, mothers and children.

Sheikh Abdul Rahman: Imam and preacher at the Mokattam Awqaf:

Since 2014, I have been interested in researching controversial topics in religion and looking to strengthen my positions as a Muslim sheikh, and I support that with verses from the Holy Qur'an. I was intense in my religious discussions, and I tended to interpret religious texts in a strict manner. My knowledge of others was limited as I was confined to my role as an imam in the mosque. I was against women's participation, and I would refuse to shake hands with them. I was convinced that the place of women was at home, and I was relying on some weak interpretations.

In 2020, the Ministry of Awqaf (Endowment) nominated me to participate in the project, and I had a strong refusal to participate because the organizing body was the "Coptic Evangelical Organization for Social Services." My expectations were that the program was an interfaith dialogue, and I did not know any of the participants, which encouraged me to avoid attending, but with the encouragement of the Ministry of Awqaf I participated even though I was not interested.

With the first workshop, I discovered that my expectations regarding the content of the program were wrong, but my fears did not end. In the needs' identification workshop, we were monitoring and evaluating our individual and group needs through a specialist, but I was certain that this was only a process and that there is a preset series of topics that we would discuss. For the second time my expectations were disappointed, and I found out that we addressed the topics that we had requested.

During the program, I began to understand the meaning of dialogue and how it is different from debate. My misconceptions about citizenship, religious tolerance, cultural diversity, the acceptance of the differences, and human rights were corrected.

In the gender workshop, I was shocked when I realized that the concepts that had been ingrained in me needed to be reviewed, and from that point on the journey of change began.

I began to read the religious text correctly, and I realized that the problem was in the interpretation and not in the text. I realized that women have a special place in Islam and that they can play essential roles through which they serve the society.

The way I read the religious text changed, so I began to search for common principles in the Bible and the Qur'an, an example of which is that I linked the Sermon on the Mount in the Bible to the principles taught by Islam.

In my teachings on the pulpit in the mosque, I began to teach the principles of religious tolerance, and in the Qur'an teaching lessons in the mosque, I taught the children that all heavenly religions call for tolerance, and I demonstrated this with verses from the Bible, the Torah, and the Holy Qur'an.

At one of the conferences, I fell ill, and one of my Christian friends, a servant in the Evangelical Church in Haggana, sat with me all night, providing me with service and health care. Here I remembered the story of the Good Samaritan in the Bible, and he presented to me a model of true love asking for nothing in return.

The experience did not end here, but the program provided me with opportunities to apply what I learned in society and encouraged me to go down to the streets implementing initiatives, in which we practiced all aspects of teamwork. This even encouraged me personally to coordinate activities for children and youth between the mosque and the church.

Important events and things to share

- The FID participated in Cop 27 Climate Conference in Sharm El-Sheikh, during which many of the contributions made by the Forum to raise awareness of the climate issues were presented. The Forum presented a publication with religious texts quoted from the Bible and the Qur'an that call for preserving the environment.

A series of seminars were held in the Green Zoon, during which the issue of environmental citizenship was discussed. A short film was produced that addressed the need to face the irrational use of plastic, carbon emissions, and confronting the phenomenon of global warming. The FID participated in the Cairo International Book Fair by displaying various groups of artworks and handicrafts made by the children in the initiatives, through which they expressed the richness and beauty of diversity.

- Participation in the national dialogue, in which all political forces and various groups of people participate, along with holding a consultative session in which a group of intellectuals, religious leaders, parliamentarians, media figures, and civil society activists participated to hold on discussions that guarantee the success of the national dialogue. These recommendations were submitted to the concerned authorities.

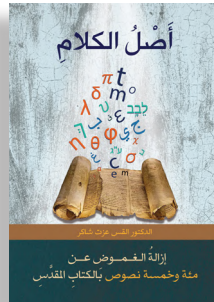
Dar Al- Thaqafa publishing house

Dar Al-Thaqafa is one of the units of the Coptic Evangelical Organization for Social Services that aims at spreading awareness in various fields to promote enlightened thinking, which in turn helps the church and society to open up and progress effectively and innovatively in a way that matches today's culture.

Dar El Thaqafa enriches the Arab library with diverse writings that include: references, studies, commentaries, books on theology, society, the family, the children, the youth, development, and all the different fields.



First Publishing:



During this year, Dar- Al-Thaqafa published 16 new publications and reprinted 19 books.

The most important publications for this year.

Children's books

Verses and Answers... Every Child Should Know

Author: Rebecca Lutzer.

This book is designed specifically for children. It presents their questions in a simple and exciting language with attractive drawings, to teach them the basic Christian truths such as the Trinity, salvation, and forgiveness. This in addition to life themes such as friendship, anger, and courage.

General topics

Author: Dr. Reverend Rafiq Ibrahim

In this book, the writer is interested in introducing the intellectual and theological roots and the political circumstances that resulted in the emergence of this ideology, refuting the foundations on which Christian Zionism is based.

Christianity and Arab civilization

Author: Father George Shehata Kanawati

This book focuses on the contribution of Arab Christians in the fields of science and literature, listing various examples of these literary and scientific works.

Apologetics

The Shortest Leap... The logical foundations of belief in Jesus Christ

Author: A. to. Van den Herk

This book is one of the most important publications in the field of apologetics.

Bible Commentaries

The Origin of all talks... removing the ambiguity of one hundred and five texts in the Bible.

Author: Dr. Pastor Ezzat Shaker

In this book, the author worked hard to find the original meaning to unravel the mysteries of 105 texts in the Bible in both Testaments. He also used about 50 translations.

Second: Bookshops

- Dar Al-Thaqafa participated in many book fairs, the most important of which are:
 - * Participation in the Cairo International Book Fair in its 54th session.
 - * Participation in the book fair of the Archdiocese of Samalut in Minya.
- The website of Dar Al-Thaqafa has been created, through which it is possible to sell electronically to customers.
- Developing and renovating the Bookshop of Dar Al-Thaqafa in Alexandria?
- Opening a tenth branch of Dar Al-Thaqafa bookshops in Beit Agape in Wadi Al-Natroun.
- Supporting building the capabilities of leaders and pastors in various topics, in partnership with Dar Manhal Al-Hayat, with 120 attendees of leaders and pastors.



Printing press



Number of contracts: **209 contracts**

Number of printed copies: around **one million and eight hundred thousand copies**

The **printing press was modernized** by purchasing a packing machine and by purchasing an assembly line, pin and cutter

The Media and Art Production

The unit aims at enhancing CEOSS media role to help spreading its ideas, trends, activities, and events. This contributes to the achievement of CEOSS' goals, thus creating a supportive environment for CEOSS development trends , CEOSS values of coexistence, accepting others, spreading the concept of pluralism, and advocacting for the issues of the poor and marginalized.





Social media



Follow

Message

Call



First:
CEOSS pages:



600
Post

465,000
Followers

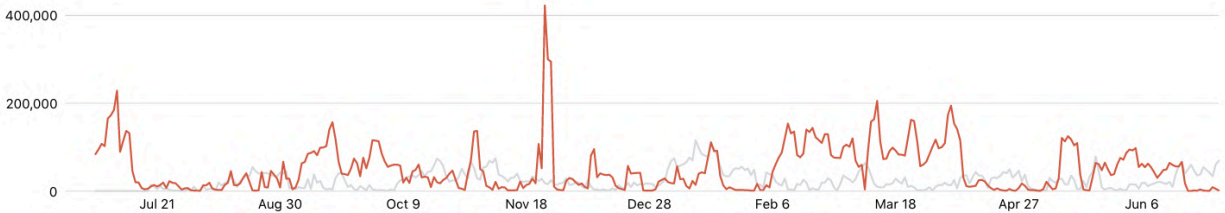
- About **600 posts** were published on CEOSS pages, reaching **7,400,000 people**.
- Increasing the number of followers of CEOSS pages to **102,300 followers**
- The number of followers of CEOSS accounts on Instagram **reached 9,150**
- Total YouTube views reached 265,800 views.

Reach

Compare your reach from this period to the previous one.

Facebook reach
5,292,454 ↑ 123%

Daily Cumulative



CEOSS

354K likes · 356K followers

Contact us

Liked

Message

Page	Reactions/Likes, comments and...	Likes and reactions	Comments	Shares	Link clicks	New followers
 رئاسة الطائفة الإنجيلية Religious organizati...	211,642	189,022	16,123	6,497	94,888	60,992


Second:
The Evangelical
denomination
page:



344
Post

337,000
Followers


- 344 posts were published, reaching **5,292,000 people**
- The number of page followers increased by **61,000, bringing the total to 337,000 followers.**



الميلاد رسالة سلام مع بعضنا ومع الأرض التي نعيش عليها

من العدد الثامن مجلد **السوق**

Post Impressions: 433,978 | Post reach: 314,877 | Post Engagement: 6,211



Post Impressions: 300,646 | Post reach: 169,714 | Post Engagement: 49,863



Post Impressions: 1,263,849 | Post reach: 1,076,453 | Post Engagement: 85,001



الصفحة الرسمية
لرئاسة الطائفة الإنجيلية بمصر
الدكتور القس أندريه زكي
رئيس الطائفة الإنجيلية

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343K likes · 339K followers

Send Email | Liked | Message

The Media →

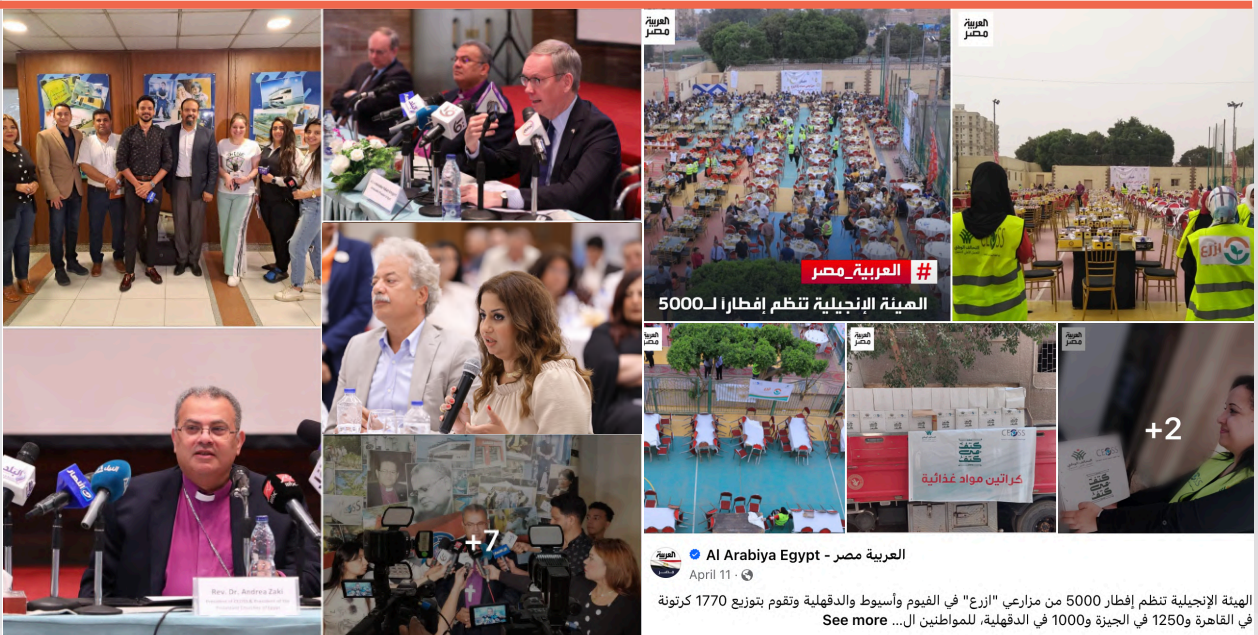
More than 1,000 pieces of news were published about the activities and events of The Presidency of the Evangelical Churches in Egypt and the Coptic Evangelical Organization for Social Services (CEOSS) in all newspapers, websites, and news agencies. More than 50 television reports, and a number of media coverages on various television channel were presented. In addition to covering all official occasions of the Evangelical Churches, including celebrations, official holidays, greetings, and obituaries.

Reaching great attention from all media outlets and the most important official and private news channels through more than 22 Egyptian newspapers, websites and news agencies that were contacted during the last 3 years:

Websites, magazines, and newspapers: Al-Ahram, Al-Akhbar, Al-Gomhouria, Dar Al-Hilal, Rose Al-Youssef, Middle East News Agency, Al-Masry Al-Youm, Al-Shorouk, Youm7, Cairo 24, Al-Watan, Al-Bawaba News, Veto, Sada Al-Balad, Al-Wafd, Muftadaa, Masrawy, and Watani, The Copts United, and A-IFagr.

In addition to more than 20 channels of the official Egyptian television and satellite channels, regional channels, and independent channels (in addition to Arab channels and international news agencies):

Channel One, Channel Two, Egyptian Satellite Channel, Extra News Channel, DMC Channel, MBC Channel, TEN Channel, CBC Channel, ON Channel, Al-Mehwar Channel, Sada El-Balad Channel, Al-Nahar Channel, Al-Hayat Channel, Al-Shams Channel, Russia Today Channel, and BBC Al-Hurra, Al-Ghad, CNBC Arabia, Sky News Arabia, Reuters.





Art production →

Editing and directing

- 9 montages for **5 dialogue sessions**.
- Editing and directing **23 promos** for initiatives and advertisements for CEOSS various units.
- Subtitles for **5 movies and sessions**.
- Producing **14 films** that document the work of CEOSS and its units whether they were introductory films or reports,
- Producing **55 spiritual and developmental episodes** by Dr. Pastor Andrea Zaki, that were streamed on sat 7 and the Facebook pages of The Presidency of the Evangelical Churches.

Photos and videos

Video: Number of meetings **(38) meetings**.

Number of filmed films **(6) films**.

Filming **55 developmental and spiritual episodes** by Rev. Dr. Andrea Zaki for SAT 7

Photos **160 photo** interview



Produced 8 releases of Risalat Al-Nour magazine;

3 releases of El Nasour magazines;

3 educational kits;

Number of documentary materials: 3, including (film materials - products - reports)



Medical Center

Horus Hospital aims to provide medical services - examination and x-rays - for various segments of society, with high quality and suitable prices for all categories, while adhering to the safety standards and patient safety standards. This is provided through a highly qualified medical team, that believes in the patient's right to obtain a high quality service, which in turn contribute to achieving CEOSS mission of serving society.



First:

examination
14,576



convoys
17,153



operations
1,972



Dentistry interventions
3,475



Second:

- 1- Increasing the number of partners with the aim of serving the community and reaching the poorest areas that needs care the most, as contracts were made with (75) various institutions (civil organizations, health care companies, syndicates, religious institutions, doctors, and individuals in the communities) and a number of 180 operations were conducted.
- 2- Enhancing the capabilities of the employees by organizing trainings in cooperation with medical institutions such as (Johnson & Johnson and UltraVision)
- 3- Developing the hospital building, where a new floor was added to the hospital, which is administratively and technically integrated and brings together all ophthalmology clinics and examination services and is equipped with a digital paging system to improve the quality of the service and reduce the waiting period of the customers.



Itsa Wood

Itsa Wood is one of the units of the Coptic Evangelical Organization for Social Services, which aims at the contribution to the development of CEOSS resources to achieve its mission, the creation of decent and honorable job opportunities for young people, and the increase of their income as well.



ITSA WOOD
FURNITURE

Despite the current challenges of the increasing prices of the raw materials as a result of the economic conditions resulting from the repercussions of the Russian-Ukrainian war, Itsa Wood succeeded in the following:

1. Increasing the number of seasonal exhibitions to 5 exhibitions in Assiut, ElMinya and Cairo.
2. Continuing to develop fixed sales outlets in El-Minya, the factory outlet, and the new Nozha outlet.
3. Sales increased by 45% compared to last year, with the number of products exceeding 458 natural wood handicrafts, distributed as follows:



4. A new goal to be targeted which is furnishing hotels. During this current year, the Savoy Hotel in the middle of Minya was furnished with high quality furniture.



Itsa Wood Products 2023

Training Centers

The unit aims at participating and assisting the civil society organizations, the religious institutions, and the private sector companies in building capacity and developing skills, by providing equipped and specialized places to achieve those goals that are dedicated to CEOSS' values and mission.



The training centers unit consists of:

1- Itsa Center:

The center contains hotel rooms to accommodate up to 220 people. This is in addition to 4 equipped halls of different sizes that are suitable for different meetings and events. The halls include 1 VIP hall that can host 450 persons. Also, the center is equipped with playgrounds, a camp, a swimming pool, a restaurant and a cafeteria.

2- C-Boat:

It is a boat on the Nile in the middle of EL-Minya Corniche. It consists of 3 floors with 14 air-conditioned accommodation rooms, a hall that can accommodate up to 150 people and equipped with all the tools for various activities and events, a sundeck that can accommodate about 250 persons, a cafeteria, and a marina for holding events.

3- El Nozha Restaurant:

It is a restaurant located in the Nozha office building, equipped to provide all meals and hospitality for the training activities that are held in the Nozha office.



Itsa Center

- Itsa Center hosted a number of conferences attended by about 50,000 persons.
- Received about 20,000 people in various meetings.
- Held about 5 camps for various major events for about 28,000 people.
- Prepared meals for 175,000 individuals.
- Prepared Ramadan Iftar meals for about 13,000 persons in 7 governorates from Upper Egypt to the Delta governorates.

C-Boat

- An increase in the occupancy rate and the start of dealing and receiving new categories such as: companies and local and international bodies for about 10 institutions, including, for example: the United Nations Industrial Development Office UNIDO
- A Sun-boat exhibition meeting for the second time was held on C-Boat.
- The annual international meeting of Arab poets for poetry and literature was held on the C-boat.
- 50 different events in addition to Ramadan iftars were held on C-Boat.
- The Women's Economic Empowerment for Comprehensive and Sustainable Growth Project (Rabha) meeting was held, in the presence of Minister Dr. Rania Al-Mashat, Minister of International Cooperation, and Ms. Elena Panova, Resident Coordinator of the United Nations Office in Egypt, with the participation of Dr. Mohamed Ibrahim Abu Zeid, Deputy Governor of Minya.



Agricultural Projects

The Agricultural Projects Unit aims at maximizing the economic return of CEOSS, by providing economic services based on competition and quality through the production of fruit crops from palm trees, grafted buckthorn, and banana trees, and producing and providing seedlings of palm trees for various farms; it works on improving the environmental field, by providing distinguished seedlings of fruit, ornamental plants and wooden trees, and increasing green spaces throughout the land.



The Unit's Components

First: Ismailia Farm

Ismailia Farm is located on the Cairo-Ismailia Desert Road, 5 kilometers after the June 30 axis, with an area of about 130 acres planted with palm trees and grafted buckthorn trees.

It aims at producing high-quality Barhi dates, Barhi palm seedlings, and grafted buckthorn



- More than 4,300 Barhi palm seedlings were supplied during the production seasons during the period of 2023/2022.
- 51 tons of high-quality Barhi dates were produced in the farm
- 27 tonnes of imported buckthorn variety were produced, which have high marketing advantages
- New markets in Giza were opened.
- Pest control systems were developed in the farm to face the diseases caused by climate change





**Second:
Itsa
Farm**

Itsa plantation is located 15 kilometers to the north of Minya governorate.

The plantation aims at increasing the green area throughout the land.

- Participating in the presidential initiatives dedicated to agriculture, where more than 15,000 trees were distributed through the civil society associations in Minya and Samalout governorates.
- Producing distinctive vegetable crops for customers' daily consumption, such as cucumber, lettuce, chili pepper, and broccoli.
- Expanding in the provision of advanced, high-quality technical services to major fruit producers and growers, especially in the desert, by implementing 100 large sales operations, and an improvement of %10 over the fiscal year 2022/2021.
- Planting the gardens of 10 villas for major clients in New Cairo, Obour, and Dreamland in Cairo, and areas in New Minya and New Assiut.



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