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# FACT SHEET

## THE GREAT GREEN WALL ACCELERATOR

The Great Green Wall Accelerator is coordinating efforts of all the stakeholders for the Great Green Wall Initiative (GGW) for a common approach, using a harmonized results management framework and innovative tools to achieve the 2030 GGW targets of the initiative.

By 2030, the Great Green Wall Initiative seeks to restore 100 million hectares of degraded land in the Sahel, sequester 250 million tons of carbon and create 10 million jobs.

A majority of people in the Sahel region of Africa live off the land. They depend on its productivity for their everyday survival – for things like food production and agriculture.

With about 80% of the population relying on rain-fed agriculture for work and 65% of Africa's land degraded – as a result of climate change, over-farming and other unsustainable practices, urgent action is needed to help manage and restore once fertile land.



**TRACKING  
FINANCES**



**MONITORING  
PROGRESS**

By 2030, the Great Green Wall Initiative aims to:

- **Restore 100 million hectares of degraded land**
- **Sequester 250 million tons of carbon**
- **Create 10 million green jobs in rural areas.**

At the One Planet Summit, organised in January 2021 by the

President of France, Emmanuel Macron and other world leaders, pledges amounting to over 18 billion US dollars were made for five key pillars of action.

In a major boost, multilateral and bilateral organizations also agreed to work together to support the acceleration of the Great Green Wall Initiative until 2025.



**Achievements /Progress so far**



JOBS CREATED

More than  
**350,000 jobs**

generated for people and communities



INCOME GENERATION

At least  
**US \$ 90 Million**

generated for people and communities



TREES PLANTED

More than  
**20 Million trees**

planted in intervention zones



CAPACITY BUILDING

At least  
**10 Million People**

trained on Sustainable Land & Water Management



LAND AREA RESTORED

More than  
**20 Million Hectares**

of land restored in intervention zones across 11 GGW Countries



# Progress to date

Nearly 18% of the Great Green Wall is estimated to have been completed so far. Once the mosaic is complete, the Great Green Wall will stretch from Senegal in the West to Djibouti in the East, spanning 8,000 kilometers across the entire width of the Continent – a new world wonder for a modern age.

The Great Green Wall is both a nature based solution to the complex challenges facing humanity and a compelling symbol of what is possible if we work together to protect and restore our planet.

The Great Green Wall Implementation Status and Way Ahead to 2030 report, the first comprehensive status report of the GGW states that over 18 million hectares of land has been restored, over 350,000 jobs have been created and around USD 90 million in revenues has been generated from 2007 to 2018 through the GGW activities.

The report also states that land restoration positively impacts 15 of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



Burkina Faso

Land Area Restored (Hectares)	Assisted Natural Regeneration
53,000 Ha	12,500 Ha



Chad

Land Area Restored (Hectares)	Assisted Natural Regeneration
16,000 Ha	1,819 Ha



Djibouti

Land Area Restored (Hectares)	Assisted Natural Regeneration
130 Ha	32 Ha



Eritrea

Land Area Restored (Hectares)	Assisted Natural Regeneration
501,000 Ha	394,380 Ha



Ethiopia

Land Area Restored (Hectares)	Assisted Natural Regeneration
2,000,000 Ha	236,551 Ha



Mali

Land Area Restored (Hectares)	Assisted Natural Regeneration
6,000 Ha	41 Ha



Mauritania

Land Area Restored (Hectares)	Assisted Natural Regeneration
3,500 Ha	900 Ha



Niger

Land Area Restored (Hectares)	Assisted Natural Regeneration
53,000 Ha	12,500 Ha



Nigeria

Land Area Restored (Hectares)	Assisted Natural Regeneration
3,000 Ha	2,801 Ha



Senegal

Land Area Restored (Hectares)	Assisted Natural Regeneration
119,000 Ha	33,500 Ha

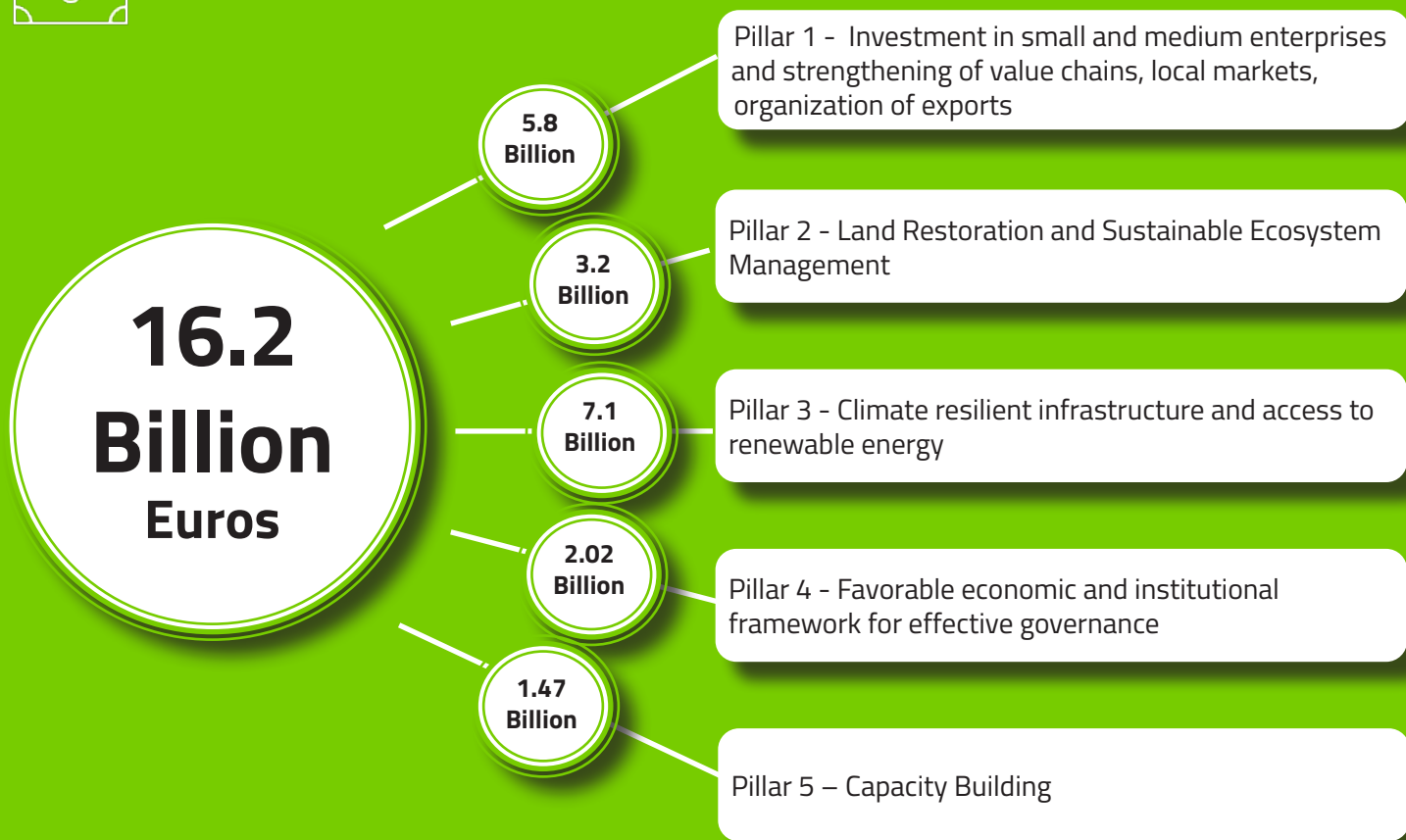


Sudan

Land Area Restored (Hectares)	Assisted Natural Regeneration
88,000 Ha	2,500 Ha



## Financial Commitments – 5 Pillars, 1 Vision



Partners



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