

*Environmentally Sound Management of Mercury-Containing Wastes and Reduction of Mercury-Containing Products in Jordan*

**PROJECT OBJECTIVE**

To improve national capacity for the environmentally sound management of mercury-containing products and wastes is increased

**PROJECT SUMMARY**

The Minamata Initial Assessment conducted in Jordan identified the environmentally sound management of mercury-containing wastes and the reduction of the use of mercury-containing products as Jordan's priority challenges in the implementation of the Minamata Convention. The project, the first to be implemented in Jordan on the Minamata Convention, aims to develop and strengthen the country's capacities to implement the Convention, mainly Articles 4 and 11. The project supports the development of sustainable public procurement practices for mercury-free lamps, the production of studies to facilitate the phase-out of mercury-containing products and the implementation of a pilot collection system for mercury-containing household wastes. It also builds capacity and improves the storage of mercury-containing wastes at the Swaqa Hazardous Waste Treatment Centre, and increases public awareness about mercury-containing products.

**BUDGET**



USD 250,000

Applicant contribution  
USD 57,500

**DURATION**



20 October 2022 -  
19 April 2025  
(30 months)

**RELEVANT ARTICLES**



Article 4 - Mercury Added Products  
Article 11 - Mercury Wastes  
Article 17 - Information Exchange  
Article 18 - Public Information, Awareness and Education  
Article 19 - Research, Development and Monitoring

**PARTNERS**



Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources of Jordan; Ministry of Health of Jordan; Greater Amman Municipality; JSMO; NGO LHAP; Ministry of Local Administration; Ministry of Water and Irrigation; Ministry of Industry Trade & Supply; Jordanian Royal Medical Services; Royal Society; Royal Scientific Society RSS; Jordan Food and Drug; Chamber of Commerce; Chamber of Industry; academic sector; Government Tenders Department; Jordanian Dental Association; Jordan Pharmaceutical Association; Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority

**PROJECT RESULTS**



**OUTPUT 1**

Level of public awareness about mercury-containing products raised and sustainable public procurement practices for mercury free lamps developed



**OUTPUT 2**

Studies and a pilot collection system for household mercury-containing wastes developed and implemented to enhance the phase-out of mercury-containing products



**OUTPUT 3**

Storage facility for mercury-containing wastes (Hazardous Waste Treatment Centre/Swaqa) enhanced

**PROJECT MANAGEMENT**

Ministry of Environment of Jordan

**RELEVANT SDGs**



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