EGYPT FORUM
2026
A look at today, a vision for tomorrow

Egypt Forum 2026

KEY FINDINGS & POLICY IMPLICATIONS

19–24 OCTOBER 2026

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Egypt Forum 2026, held from 19 to 24 October under the patronage of President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, marked **a significant step in institutionalising national policy dialogue** and aligning development priorities with Egypt's economic and social objectives through 2030.

The forum ended with **approximately 66 presidential directives across 22 sectors**, focused on living standards, human capital, private-sector-led growth and competitiveness. They align with the proposed 2027–2030 National Economic Transformation Programme: **6.8% growth, investment at 20% of GDP and a 67% private-sector share of investment by FY2029/30**.

The main institutional outcome is **an annual national dialogue mechanism**, backed by monthly sectoral reviews, public disclosure of implementation plans and presidential monitoring, which could strengthen coordination, transparency and accountability.

The forum's impact depends on **turning directives into funded, time-bound and measurable programmes**. Fiscal feasibility, accountability, regulatory implementation and private-sector participation are the key tests.

≈66	22	Annual
Presidential directives	Policy sectors	National dialogue mechanism

Scale, governance and delivery tests

FORUM AT A GLANCE

8,000+
Planned participants

150+
Decision-makers

61,000+
Online registrants

16,000+
Ideas and proposals

≈66
Recommendations

22
Policy sectors

4
Strategic pillars

Annual
Institutionalised forum

GOVERNANCE COMMITMENTS

Annual dialogue
Proposed recurring national forum

Monthly reviews
Sector-level implementation monitoring

Public disclosure
Publication of sectoral implementation plans

Oversight
Presidential follow-up

TESTS OF DELIVERY

Funding
Budgeting of announced priorities

Accountability
Responsible entities and clear mandates

Milestones
Time-bound delivery and measurable outcomes

Regulation
Legislation and licensing implementation

Private sector
Actual participation and investment mobilisation

Macroeconomic objectives and national targets

SOCIAL SPENDING

EGP 4.8tn

Essential-service allocations by FY2029/30, up from EGP 2.3tn

6.8%
Real GDP growth (from 5.1%)

20%
Investment as % of GDP

67%
Private share of investment (from 57.7%)

5–7%
Inflation target range

5.5%
Unemployment target

~69.5%
Public debt / GDP by June 2030

Targets of the proposed 2027–2030 National Economic Transformation Programme, which the directives align with.

BASELINE-TO-TARGET TRACKER

Indicator	Baseline	Target	Change	By
Minimum wage (EGP / month)	8,000	**15,000**	▲ **+87.5%**	FY2029/30
Government employee wages (index)	100	**150+**	▲ **≥ +50%**	FY2029/30
Essential-service allocations (EGP tn)	2.3	**4.8**	▲ **×2.1**	FY2029/30
Real GDP growth	5.1%	**6.8%**	▲ **+1.7 pts**	FY2029/30
Egyptian-Japanese schools	103	**500**	▲ **×4.9**	3 years
Digital Egypt services	250	**500**	▲ **×2.0**	End-2026
Basic internet package (GB)	50	**100**	▲ **×2.0**	–
Cultivated area (m feddans)	10.5	**12.5**	▲ **+19%**	2030
Wheat self-sufficiency	55%	**60%**	▲ **+5 pts**	–
Wheat procurement price (EGP / ardeb)	2,500	**2,650**	▲ **+6%**	–
Supported youth marriages	2,000	**4,000**	▲ **×2.0**	–

"–" = no date specified in the announcements.

Headline decisions and the road to 2030

Health	Universal Health Insurance phase 2 accelerated; 1,000 ambulances
Housing	Developer–buyer contracts law; building-violation reconciliation
Infrastructure	EGP 5bn a year for drinking-water and sewage networks
Industry	Distressed-factory support; financing line for young manufacturers
Jobs & exports	Enhanced export incentives; investment-risk financing platform
Entrepreneurship	5,000 startups and USD 5bn VC by 2031; USD 1bn public funding
Social protection	Elderly-care mechanism; faster family and personal-status legislation

NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ROADMAP, 2026–2030

2026–27

- Digital Egypt services 250 → 500 by end-2026
- Winter wheat support on 1m feddans
- Haya Karima phase 2 starts immediately

2027

- Evening shifts end in primary schools
- Business and investor procedures platform by end-2027
- New university hospitals from 2027

2028

- Evening shifts end in preparatory schools
- ~30 GW renewable capacity by end-2028
- Haya Karima phase 3 from January
- Teachers' minimum income EGP 15,000; special-education schools

2029

- Evening shifts end in secondary schools
- 500 Egyptian-Japanese schools
- EGP 42bn local-roads programme complete

2030

- Minimum wage EGP 15,000 (FY2029/30); public debt ~69.5% of GDP
- +3.2m household gas connections (June 2030)
- 600 technical schools; 12.5m feddans cultivated
- 1,000 productive villages; 200,000 ICT jobs; no surface railway crossings

People, services and infrastructure

WAGES & INCOMES

Minimum wage EGP 8,000 → 15,000 by FY2029/30; at least 4.5m state employees

Average wages At least +50% by FY2029/30

Teachers' income EGP 15,000 minimum within two years

Medical sector Average reward increase of at least 50% by FY2029/30

University faculty Income improvement announced

EDUCATION

Technical schools 600 developed with the private sector by 2030

Egyptian-Japanese schools 103 → 500 within three years

Evening shifts End in primary 2027, preparatory 2028, secondary 2029

Government schools Rehabilitation target by 2030

Special education Schools developed and equipped within two years

HEALTH

Health insurance Accelerated rollout of Universal Health Insurance phase 2

Ambulances 1,000 equipped ambulances added or upgraded

Cancer detection Early detection for six major childhood cancers; ~EGP 1bn

University hospitals 18: more beds and new public/private hospitals from 2027

Waiting lists Additional funding for critical cases

HOUSING & REGULATION

National housing ~1m units over four years, estimated EGP 1tn

Real-estate law Expedited developer–buyer contract legislation

Building reconciliation Six-month grace period and 30% discount

INFRASTRUCTURE & UTILITIES

Water and sewage EGP 5bn allocated annually

Local roads ~EGP 42bn over three years

Railway crossings Surface crossings eliminated by end-2030

Haya Karima Phase 2 immediately; phase 3 from January 2028

ENERGY SECURITY

Renewables ~30 GW installed capacity by end-2028

Natural gas ~6bn cubic feet per day by 2030

Oil and condensate ~700,000 barrels per day by 2030

Household gas 3.2m additional connections by June 2030

Renewable conversion Repaid through bill savings for factories and public facilities

Economy, enterprise and society

AGRICULTURE & FOOD SECURITY

Cultivated area 10.5m → 12.5m feddans by 2030

Wheat self-sufficiency 55% → 60%

Wheat procurement EGP 2,500 → 2,650 per ardeb

Sugar beet EGP 2,000 → 2,300 per ton

Winter season 1m feddans; 50% discount on mechanisation

Rice water penalties Exemption from past fines

JOBS, INVESTMENT & EXPORTS

High-income jobs 1m through service-export incentives

Outsourcing and telecom 200,000 jobs by 2030

Exports Service-export council; updated rebates and shipping support

Investor procedures Unified business platform by end-2027

Infrastructure finance Risk-sharing mechanism to mobilise investors

DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

Digital Egypt 250 → 500 services by end-2026; all services within 3 years

Fixed internet Basic packages 50 → 100 GB

E-payment Simplification to be studied, including outside Egypt

INDUSTRY & MANUFACTURING

Productive Village Industrial clusters in 1,000 villages by 2030

Distressed factories Registration, diagnosis, tailored financing

Local manufacturing Tax, customs and licensing incentives for local content

Young manufacturers Financing line with Tahya Misr Fund

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Startups 5,000 startups and USD 5bn VC by 2031

Billion-dollar companies At least five in five years

Unified finance USD 1bn over five years from public resources

Regulatory sandbox Founders' proposals via Ministerial Group and CBE

SOCIAL PROTECTION & SOCIETY

Supported marriages 2,000 → 4,000 vulnerable youth

Elderly care Rapid response, mobile home care, more facilities

Personal-status law Accelerated adoption

Culture and sport Cultural palaces, theatre and cinema; athlete support

Environment Law 4/1994 amended; vegetation strategy to 2050

Egyptians abroad Beit Al-Watan and digital consular services

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