

BRAVE — Sustaining SME Jobs Through Yemen's Civil War

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Quality score: 48/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Yemen's SMEPS ran a multi-donor SME-support programme through the civil war, sustaining an estimated 15,000 jobs and creating 1,000 more in agribusiness, fisheries and food processing, before a 2018 scale-up added \$41 million in grants and blended finance.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	1/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	1/3
Innovation	1/3
Inclusiveness / equity	2/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-05

[SMEPS \(Social Fund for Development\), with Islamic Development Bank and ICD](#) — accessed 2026-09-05

[IsDB/ICD scale-up announcement](#) — accessed 2026-09-05

[Global Ethical Banking coverage](#) — accessed 2026-09-05

[SMEPS](#) — accessed 2026-09-05

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