

Official Technical Visit to the Jendouba Wastewater Treatment Plant: Completion of Works and Start of Effective Operations

Within the framework of the "Water Environment Improvement Project in Local Cities" (Bizerte, Zaghouan, Béja, Siliana, Le Kef, Jendouba, Kasserine, Sidi Bouzid, Sfax, and Kebili), co-financed by the Tunisian Republic and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), an official technical visit took place this Tuesday morning, June 30, 2026, at the Jendouba wastewater treatment plant (STEP) to mark the completion of the construction works and the start of its operational phase.

This high-level visit was held in the presence of:

- H.E. the Ambassador of Japan to Tunisia: Mr. SAITO Jun.
- The Resident Representative of the JICA Tunisia Office: Ms. MIYATA Mayumi.
- The CEO of the National Sanitation Office (ONAS): Mr. Abdelmajid Bettaieb.
- Technical Datasheet of the Plant:
- Daily Capacity: Treatment of $8000 \text{ m}^3/\text{day}$ of wastewater.
- Organic (Biological) Load: 3400 kg of Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD_5) per day.
- Total Cost: 28.8 million Tunisian Dinars (excl. VAT).

Environmental and Socio-Economic Impact of the Project:

- Protection of Water Resources: The plant actively contributes to preserving the groundwater table by efficiently treating wastewater according to environmental standards before its discharge into the natural environment.
- Valorization and Circular Economy: The treated wastewater will be reused for irrigating green spaces and will enable the creation of new irrigated perimeters in the agricultural lands adjacent to the plant (STEP).





