# PROJECT N° 315 : CAROB GUM PRODUCTION UNIT





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## **Project Description**



Carob gum valorization unit with a production capacity of 7,000 tons per year.

Carob is a sweet, fiber-rich food consumed in powder or paste form in hot drinks or cakes.

Sector: Sub-sector:

Agri-food Food additives industry

### Financial indicators (estimates)

Estimated Investment:

~100 million MAD for 3 units and a total area of 3 ha

**Potential Turnover:** 

~80 to 120 million MAD for 3 units and a total area of 3 ha

EBITDA<sup>2</sup> (as a % of turnover):

~20 - 30%

Jobs

200 - 500 direct jobs



## **Key Highlights**

- From the seeds, the gum is extracted, yielding a white, translucent, edible, sweet product used in the food, pharmaceutical, and other industries.
- High potential for substituting locust bean gum for the currently fully imported cocoa.

# **Market Growth & Size**





- 1. **Product Complexity Index**: Diversity and sophistication of the know-how required to produce a product. The PCI is calculated based on the number of countries that produce this product and the economic complexity of those countries.
- 2. **EBITDA**: Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization.
- 3. Source: Office des Changes, TradeMap