

PROJECT N°38 : FIG PROCESSING UNIT

SECTOR : AGRI-FOOD SUB-SECTOR : FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PROCESSING - FIGS

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Establishment of a modern industrial unit for fig processing, producing high value-added products like dried figs, jams, energy bars, and canned figs for local and export markets.

KEY INDICATORS & HIGHLIGHTS

National : Morocco produces 128,000 tons of figs/year. Taounate provides 40% of production. Local market estimated at MAD 1 billion. International : Growing demand in Asia and Latin America for natural fig-based products.



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PROJECT PREREQUISITES

- Infrastructure : Facilities for drying, processing, and packaging figs.
- **Technology :** Steady access to local fig production, especially in Taounate.
- **Compliance :** Food standards for local and international markets.

MARKET GROWTH & SIZE

National : Rising demand for fig-based snacks and jams driven by evolving eating habits. International : Growing health-conscious markets seeking natural and innovative fig products.

SWOT ANALYSIS

Strengths :

Stable supply from

Taounate, diverse product range.

Weaknesses :

Yield variability and high equipment cost.

Opportunities :

Threats :

Exports to Europe, North America, and the Middle East.

Competition from Turkey and Egypt, fluctuating input costs.

MAIN INPUTS

Raw materials : Hybrid apple varieties, suitable fertilizers, efficient irrigation systems.

Equipment : Seeding, harvesting, and fruit packaging machines.

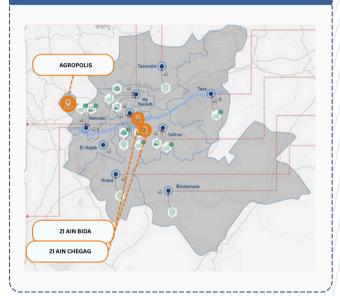
Workforce : Skilled farmers and technicians.



Market Potential

National : The Moroccan market, driven by a growing demand for natural fig-based products, offers opportunities, particularly thanks to the abundant production of Taounate.

International : The European, North American, and Middle Eastern markets are seeking processed fig-based products, offering Morocco a strategic and competitive position



POTENTIAL LAND

Investment (excluding land) : MAD 10 million

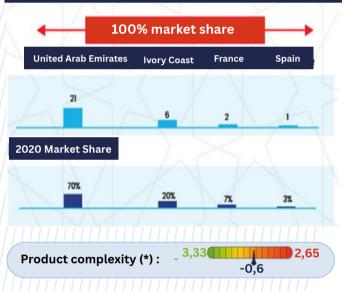
Revenue : MAD 30.5 million

EBIT : MAD 3.6 million

ROI: 6-7 years

Desired land area: 3,080 m², including 2,000 m² of buildings

Main importers - from Morocco - thousands of USD



The region's offer

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GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION & CONNECTIVITY

Proximity to Europe, **starting with a 1-hour flight** from Fez, thanks to the Fez-Saïs International Airport (currently being expanded to accommodate 5 million passengers per year).

Road and highway network : +20% of the national network (linked to the main ports (including Nador West Med : 2.5 hours and Kenitra : 2 hours). Rail network :+200 km connecting the region's four train stations to the Kingdom's major cities.

HUMAN CAPITAL & INCENTIVES



 $\ensuremath{\text{Morocco's}}$ leading university : 6 universities with over 230,000 students trained per year

266 vocational training establishments : Annual capacity of 75,000 places / 236 specialties and professions + **Specialized engineering schools :** 10,700 engineers in training

INCENTIVE DEVICES

National Investment Charter :

- Main device : For projects worth at least MAD 50 million and creating 50 jobs (min) or 150 jobs. Common, territorial, and sectoral bonuses can be combined up to 30%.
- Specific support program dedicated to very small, small, and medium-sized enterprises (coming soon)
- Agricultural Development Fund

Regional Incentives :

- Regional Investment Land Subsidy Fund (coming soon second quarter of 2025).
- Regional Fund to Support Investment Projects and Promote Employment (coming soon).
- Competitive land prices available for rental or sale