



Republic of Sudan  
Ministry of Cabinet  
Sudanese Standards And Metrology Organization



# GMO status - Sudan

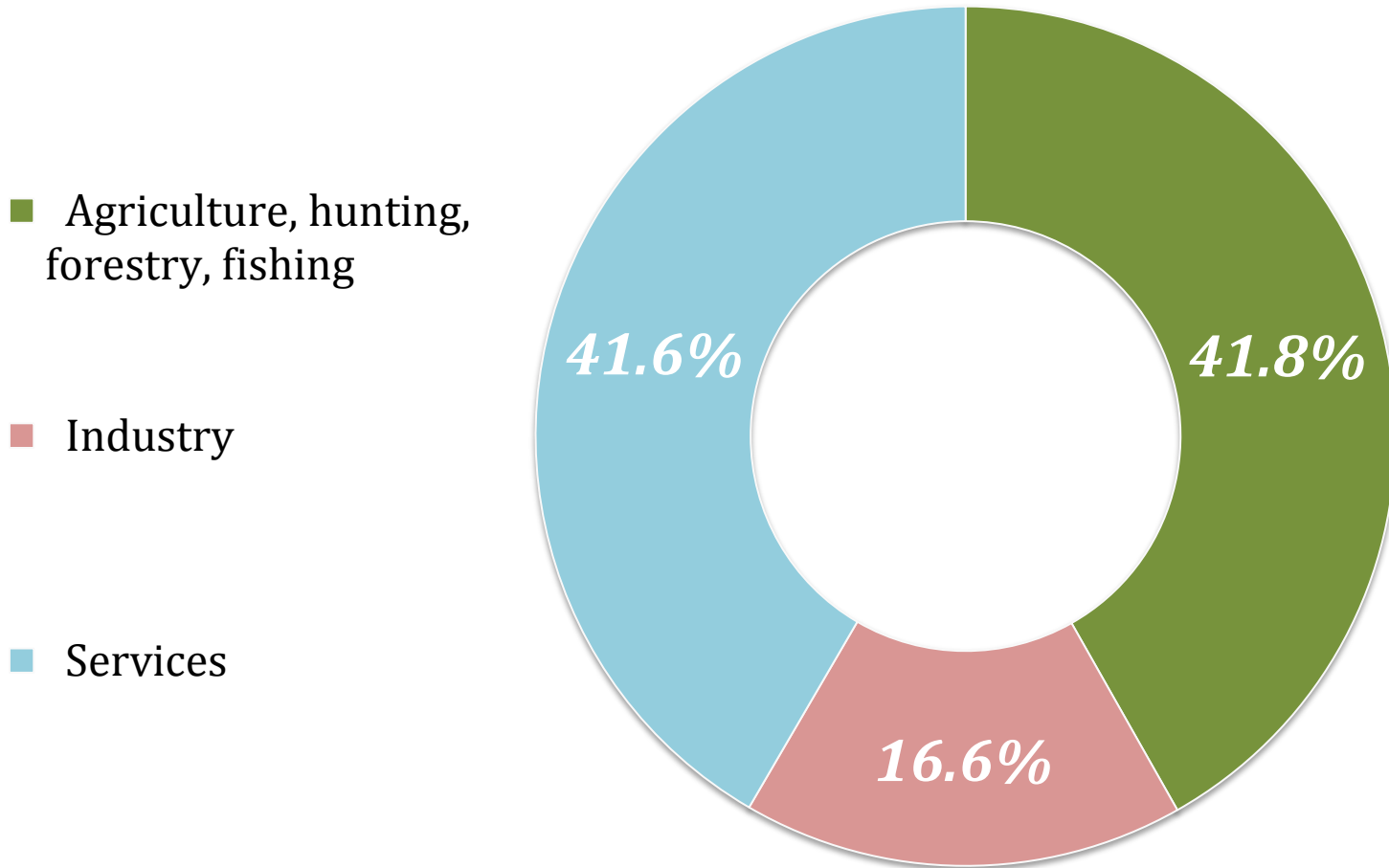
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# Sudan Economic Structure

*Agriculture Sector is the Country's Mainstay*

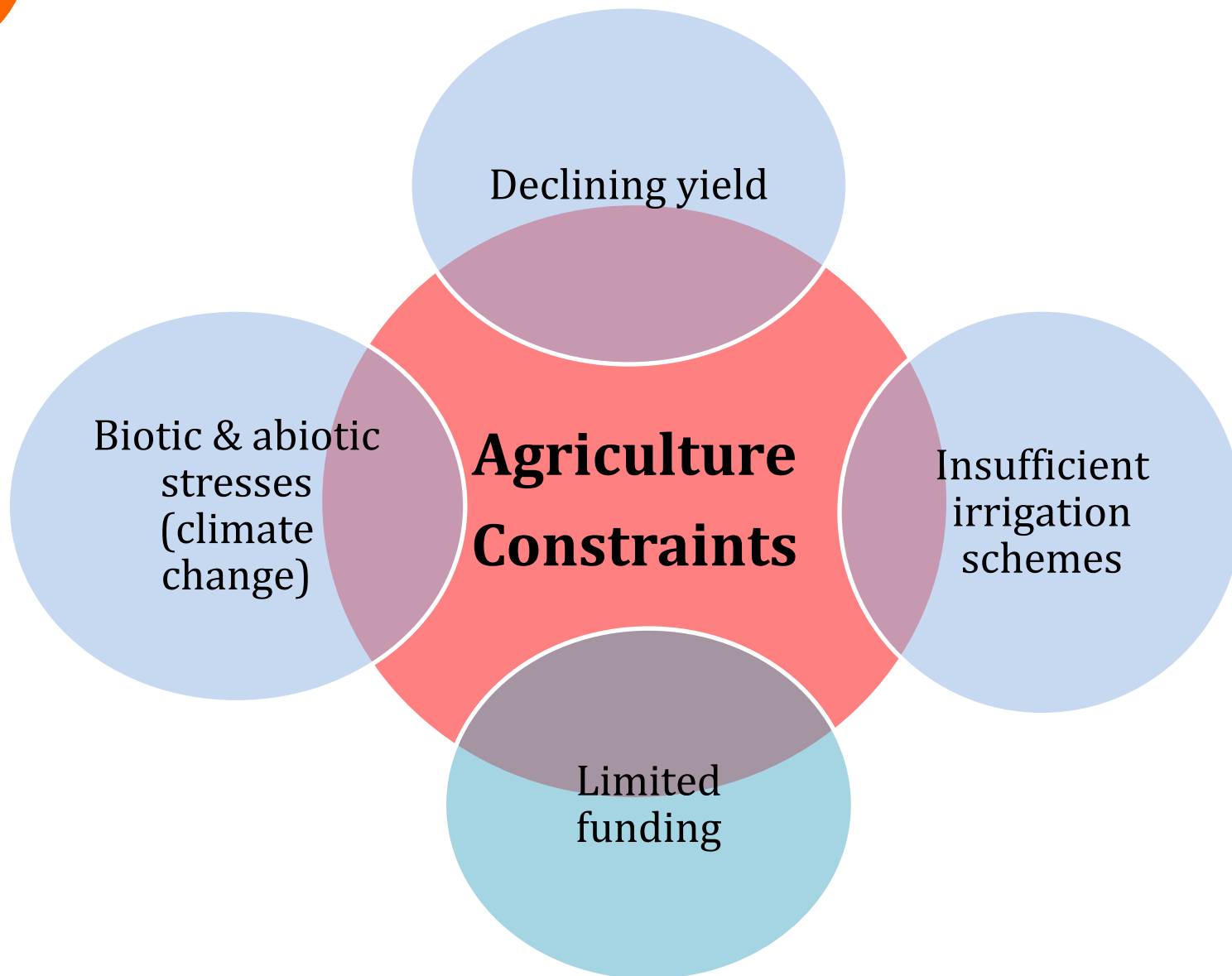


❑ Agriculture 42% of total GDP.

❑ 40% of the total labor force.



# Agriculture Sector Main Constraints





# Sudan International Memberships

1995

- Party CBD

2005

- Acceded to Cartagena Protocol

Member

- ISO, CODEX, ARSO, OMIL, .etc

In Process

- Joining WTO



# Risks and Challenges

- ❑ Sudan strategic position expose it to the following risks:
- ❑ **Smuggling** through borders from neighboring countries
- ❑ **Hazards** of spreading of uncontrolled GMO's materials to Sudan.
- ❑ **Relief and Aids** on back of conflicts, need to be carefully monitored and controlled.





# National Policy Objectives & Scope

- ❑ In accordance with national, regional ,and international obligations , the policy aims to :
- ❑ Monitoring & governing trans-boundry movement of GMO,s products(esp. relief & aids ).
- ❑ Application of modern biotechnology in agriculture including trails and field release & in industry

# Laws and Regulations on GMOs

Date	Action	Notes
2008	Sudan Received Award as <b>NBF</b>	<b>National Biosafety Framework</b>
Until 2010	SSMO regulate the transboundary movement	-
June 2010	the <b>National Biosafety Law</b> was formulated and became in place	-
2012-present	Currently the ( <b>NBC</b> ) is responsible for regulation and risk assessment of GMO,s materials with representative from all concerned institution	<b>National Biosafety Council</b>

# National Biosafety Council

Biosafety general secretariat

Sudanese standards & metrology organization (SSMO )

Biosafety and biotechnology research lab

Experts in the relevant field

Universities

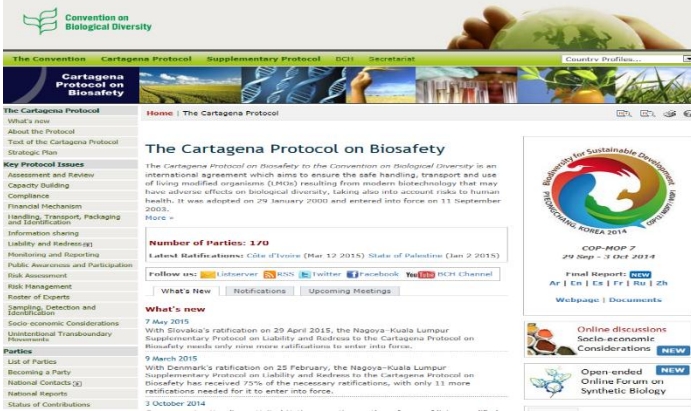
Consumer protection society

Veterinary research center

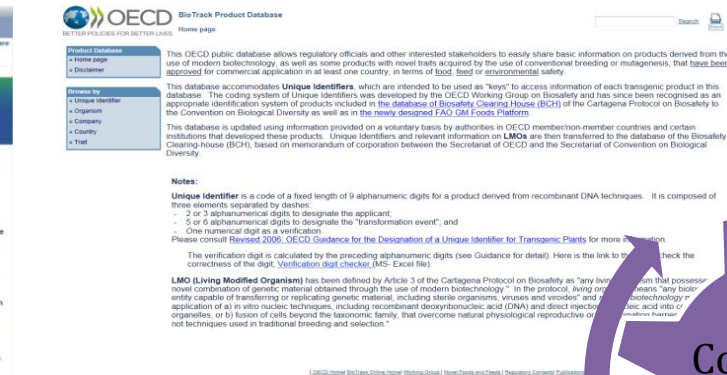
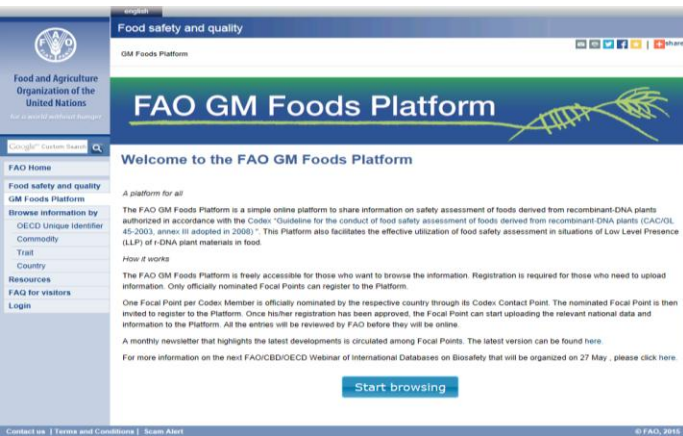
Ministry of Agriculture

Ministry of health



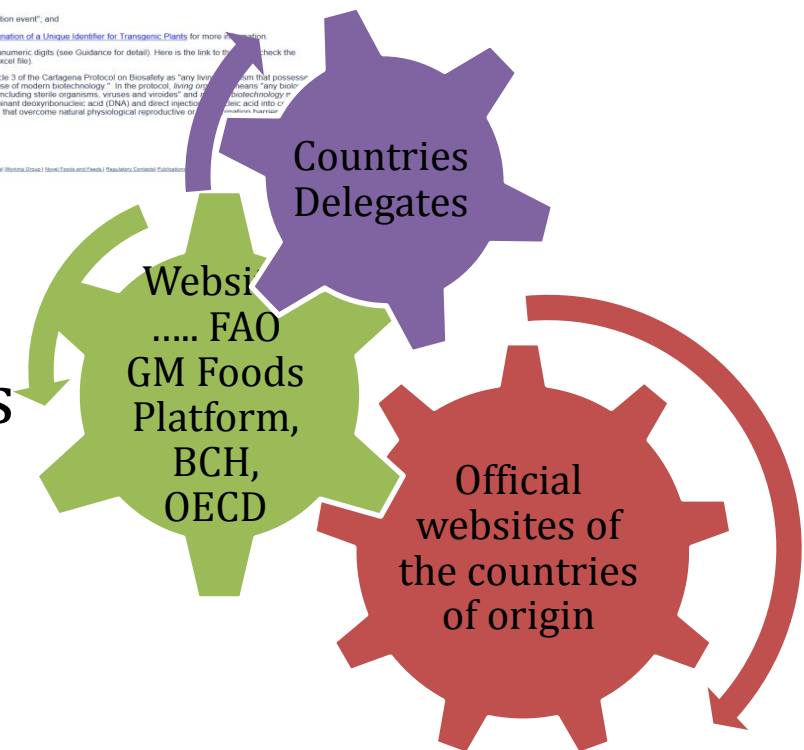


# Experience with the global databases: Information sources



## Information on:

1. Regulation of other countries
2. Shared risk analysis data
3. Ask scientific advice to FAO
4. Etc.



# FAO GMO Platform

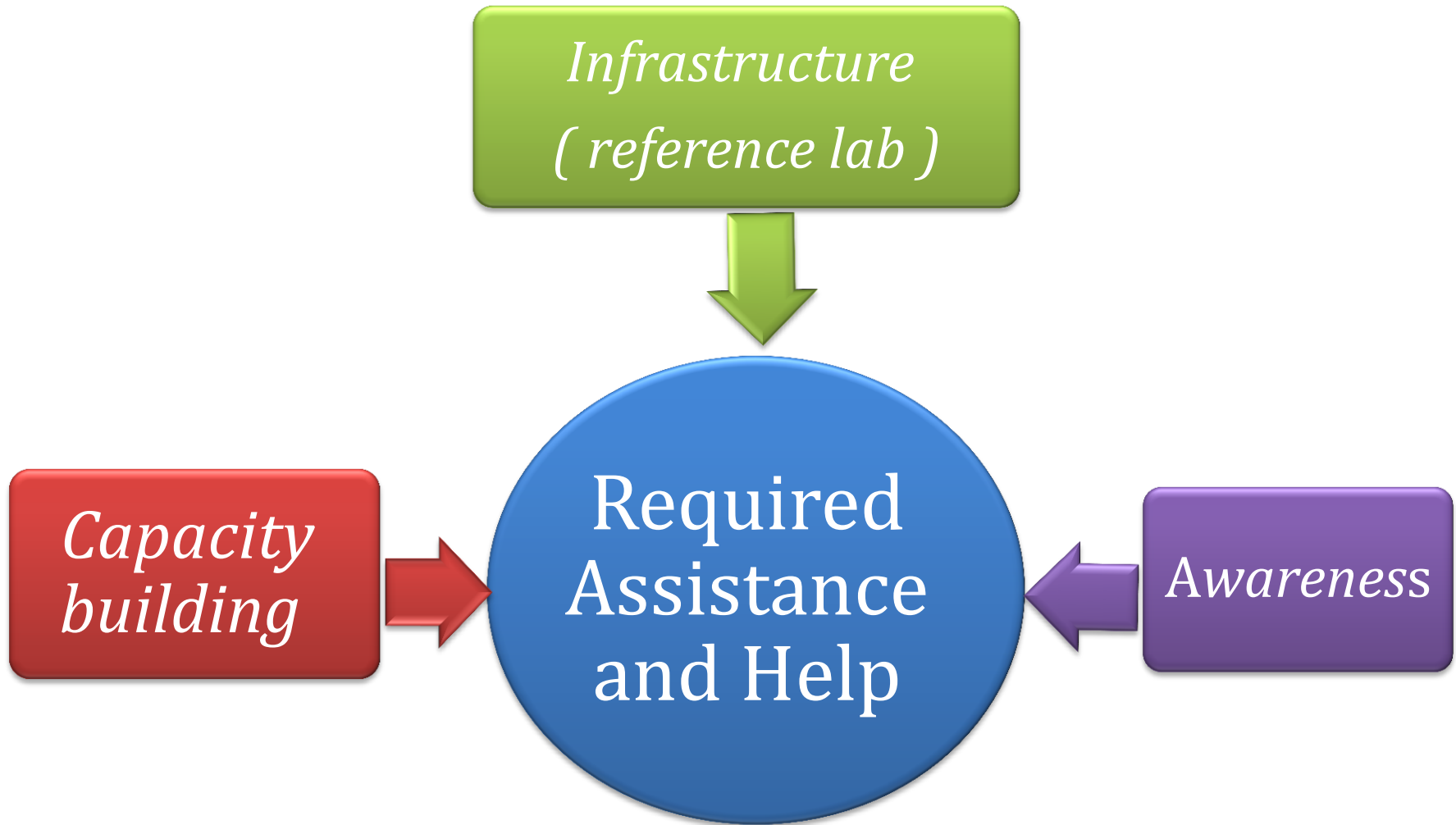
## *Status Quo of Usage*

- In May 2013, Sudan joined the FAO GM Foods Platform.
- We have 2 Focal Points for the Platform and already filled out our country profile.
- However, we have not yet shared the information on the risk assessment of GM foods.

Ex:) Many challenges arose during commercialization of Bt cotton



# Areas of Supports and Development



Thank you

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