





## WATER: THE DRIVING FORCE!

"The women in my family struggle to fetch water every morning with some village women accompanied by donkeys and some children. this burden was killing them" Basheer Said.

Basheer is 25 Years old man who lives at Alekam village and has just got married. Like many families in Yemen, all people in Alekam village suffer to get potable water. Moreover, the majority of the villagers are living in the top of the mountains, which is very harsh environment with no infrastructure or even roads. Children as well suffered from many diseases that turned out to be due to contaminated drinking water that they were getting from the valley. Furthermore, 80% of surveyed HHs didn't use any methods to treat their unsafe drinking water and most of them declared that they cannot afford the cost of purification. Only 20.8% of HHs have water tanks to store water, 59.83% of HHs considered the activity of fetching water as a serious problem due to long-distance and queuing time.

"Suffering from shortages and scarcity of water for many years made us think a lot about how to obtain water in order to cover the daily needs. As women and children of the village used to bring water from distant areas over their heads and on animal's backs, it poses a great danger to women



