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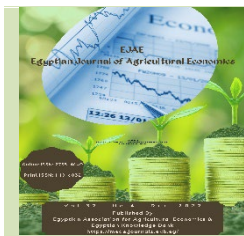
## المستخلص

يتناول البحث بالتحليل أداء الزراعة المصرية خلال الفترة 1961-2021. وقد شهد العقد 1991-2000 أعلى معدلات النمو السنوي في الانتاج النباتى والانتاج الحيوانى والانتاج السمكى وبالتالي في إجمالى الانتاج الزراعى. بالإضافة إلى ذلك، شهد عقد التسعينيات أكبر معدل نمو سنوي في الأراضي الزراعية بمعدل 2.2%. ويعادل ذلك زيادة في الأراضي الزراعية بمقدار 1.56 مليون فدان خلال 10 سنوات. بينما تحققت أقل معدلات للنمو في الفترات 1970-1980 و 2011-2021. ولقد تم تقدير دالة الانتاج الزراعى المصرى خلال الفترة 1981-2021 و اختبار فرض العائد الثابت للسعة حيث تبين أن دالة الإنتاج الكلي للزراعة المصرية متفقة مع فرض العائد الثابت للسعة. وتقدر الدراسة مرونة الإنتاج بالنسبة للأراضي الزراعية بنحو 0.575 كما توصلت الدراسة إلى أن التقدم التقني مسؤول عن 46.2% من النمو في الإنتاج الزراعى خلال الفترة 1981-2021 في حين أن الأراضي الزراعية مسؤولة فقط عن 22.2% من النمو في نفس الفترة. أى ان التقدم التكنولوجى هو المسبب الرئيسى للتقدم فى الزراعة المصرية ولذلك فإن تبنى تقنيات جديدة والتحسين المستمر فى أساليب الإنتاج أمر ضروري للتوسع المستقبلي فى الانتاج الزراعى من أجل التغلب على صعوبة التوسع فى الموارد الطبيعية وبوجه خاص موارد الأراض والمياه.

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## Long-Run Performance Indicators of Egyptian Agriculture

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### ABSTRACT

The study examines the performance of Egyptian agriculture during the period 1961-2021. It is evident that the decade of 1991-2000 witnessed the peak of annual growth in crop production, animal production and aquaculture production and consequently in total agricultural production. The 1990s saw the largest rate of growth in agricultural land where a total increase of 1.56 million feddans was observed. In contrast, the least rates of annual growth coincided with the periods of 1971-1980 and 2011-2021.

The study reveals that the aggregate production function for Egyptian agriculture is agreeable with constant returns to scale. The production elasticity with respect to arable land is 0.575. The study concludes that technical progress is responsible for 46.2% of the growth in agricultural production while arable land is responsible for only 22.2 percent of growth during the period 1981-2021. Therefore, adoption of new technologies and constant improvements in the methods of production are necessary for future expansion of Egyptian agriculture in order to overcome the difficulty of expanding land and water resources

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**Introduction:**

This research is concerned with the analysis of Egypt's agricultural production during the period 1961-2021. This long period has witnessed major political and economic changes in the country. The political system ranged from central planning and socialist orientation under President Nasser to liberal economic orientation under subsequent political systems. But starting from early 2011 the country went through a period of political instability following the January 2011 revolution and the rule of Muslim Brothers.

The study examines the performance indicators for Egyptian agriculture in general and for aggregate production in particular during the long time period of 1961-2021. Special attention is devoted to the rates of annual growth of the main components of agricultural production and of the main factors of production. In addition, the research attempts to estimate an aggregate production function for Egyptian agriculture and test the validity of the hypothesis of constant returns to scale. The relative importance of different factors underpinning the growth of the agricultural sector is estimated. Finally, the study concludes with policy implications and recommendations.

**The Problem Statement:**

The studies that shed light on the long-run performance of Egyptian agriculture are rather limited in the agricultural economics literature. It is of special interest to access the long –run performance of the agricultural sector under different political and economic regimes. For example, how the growth of the agricultural sector is affected by political instability and by the changing economic policies in the last sixty years. The study will attempt to shed some light on the performance indicators of Egyptian agriculture during this long time period.

**Data and Methodology:**

The study depends primarily on data from the US Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service, and International Productivity Database. In turn the USDA data are mostly generated from the database of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization. The main time series covered in this study include the following variables.

- Output: Gross value of agricultural production, \$1000 at constant 2015 prices.
- Crop Output: Gross value of crop commodities, \$1000 at constant 2015 farm gate prices.
- Animal Output: Gross value of animal and insect products, \$1000 at constant 2015 farm gate prices.
- Aquaculture Output: Gross value of aquaculture products, \$1000 at constant 2015 farm gate prices.
- Labor: Numbers of economically active adults (male and female) primarily employed in agriculture, 1000 persons
- Machinery: Metric horsepower (1000 CV) of farm machinery in use includes (tractors, harvester- threshers, milking machines, water pumps).
- Agricultural Land: 1000 hectares of arable land plus land in permanent crops.
- Animals: Farm inventories of livestock and poultry, measured in 1000s of standard livestock units.
- Capital: Value of agricultural capital stock, \$million, constant 2015 prices.

The study calculated the average annual rates of growth for each variable using logarithmic time trend models. To calculate the annual rate of growth for any variable, say  $Z$ , we estimate the trend equation  $\ln Z = \alpha + \beta \text{ Time}$ . The estimate of  $\beta$  would be the annual growth rate of  $Z$  in the specified time period. The calculations are carried out for each decade in the time period 1961-2021. The aggregate production function for Egyptian agriculture is estimated in two forms. The first form is the unrestricted Cobb-Douglas function. The second form is the production function after imposing and testing the validity of the restriction of constant returns to scale.

### **Total Agricultural Production:**

Total agricultural production is composed of three main components; namely crop production, animal production and aquaculture production. The gross values of agricultural production with its components are depicted in figure 1. The values are in constant US dollar prices of 2015 in order to adjust for inflation and fluctuations in the exchange rates. Figure 1 show that values of agricultural production were growing steadily during the study period 1961-2021. But the pace of growth has been fluctuating from one period to another. Table 1 indicates that the rate of annual

growth for total agricultural production was at its peak during the decade of the 1990s; 4.6 %. And it was at its lowest level during the period 2011-2021; 1.2%.

Generally speaking, the rates of annual growth in animal and aquaculture production are higher than their counterparts for crop production except for the decade of 1971-1980. The decade of 1991-2000 witnessed the highest rates of annual growth in crop production, animal production and aquaculture production and consequently in total agricultural production. The rates of annual growth for the 1990s were 4.5 %, 3.8 %, 20 % and 4.6 % for crop production, animal production, aquaculture production and total agricultural production respectively.

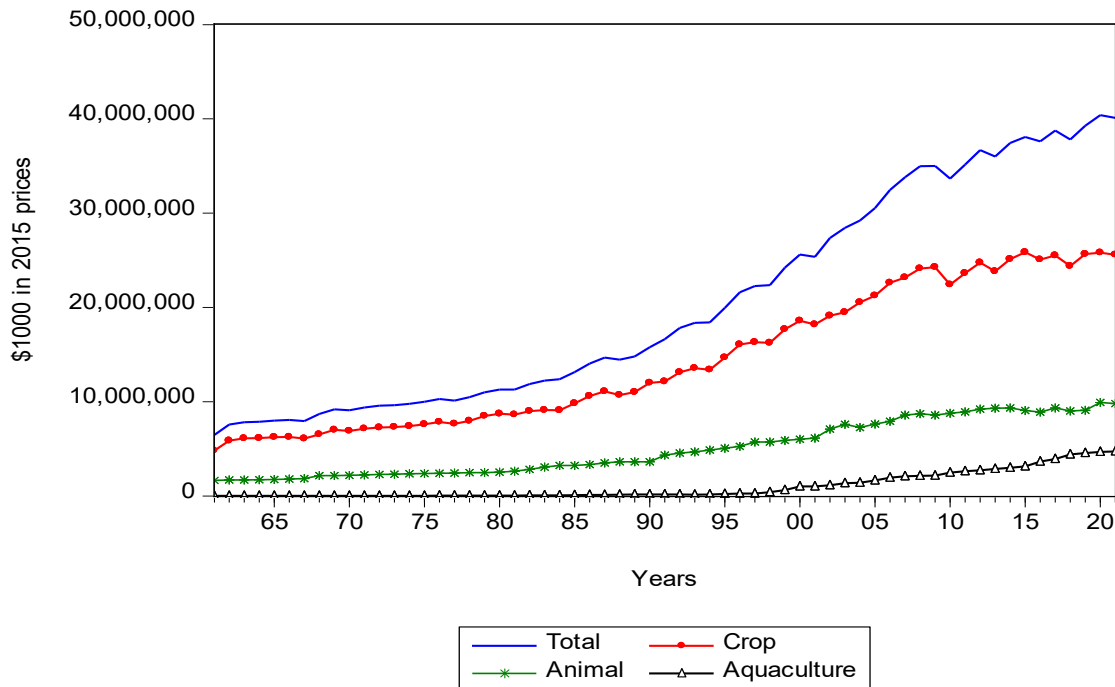
The lowest rates of annual rates of growth of crop production, animal production and total production coincided with the period of 2011-2021. The rates of annual growth for this period were 0.65 %, 0.59 % and 1.2 % for crop production, animal production and total production respectively. The period of 2011-2021 witnessed the January 25, 2011 revolution and the subsequent political instability. The second lowest rate of annual growth in total agricultural production was 1.9 % for the period 1971-1980. This period witnessed the eruption of the 1973 war and the diversion of economic resources to war efforts.

The lowest rate of annual growth for aquaculture production was observed for the period 1961-1970. This period showed very little interest in aquaculture as the country relied more on wild fisheries. In contrast major strides in the aquaculture sector have been realized in the 1980s and the 1990s. Now aquaculture provides Egypt with about 80 percent of its total fish production.

As figure (1) illustrates the gap between the value of total agricultural production and the value of crop production is widening over time due to the increased importance of animal and aquaculture production. The value of crop production as a percentage of the value of total agricultural production fell from 76.7 percent during the period 1961-1970 to 66 percent for the period 2011-2021.

With regards to animal production, the largest rate of annual growth was achieved in the 1990s while the lowest rate is recorded for the period 2011-2021. But for the whole period of 1961-2021 the growth rate of animal production superseded the growth rate of crop production. Of course, the growth of the aquaculture sector is far faster than the growth of crop and animal sectors.

Figure (1): Value of Agricultural Production, 1961: 2021



### Farm Inputs:

**Labor:** The labor force employed in the agricultural sector tended to shrink overtime. This was evident during the periods 1971-2000 and 2011-2021. The overall rate of annual growth of agricultural labor force during the period 1961-2021 was a meager 0.27 percent. The shrinking of agricultural labor force could be attributed to the massive migration of Egyptian unskilled workers to oil rich countries right after the 1973 war. The rising oil prices after the war contributed to the construction boom in the Gulf countries and raised the demand for migrant workers. The shrinking labor force in the agricultural sector might have contributed to the low performance of the sector in the 1970s. This happened at a time when alternative farm inputs like farm machinery were not widely utilized.

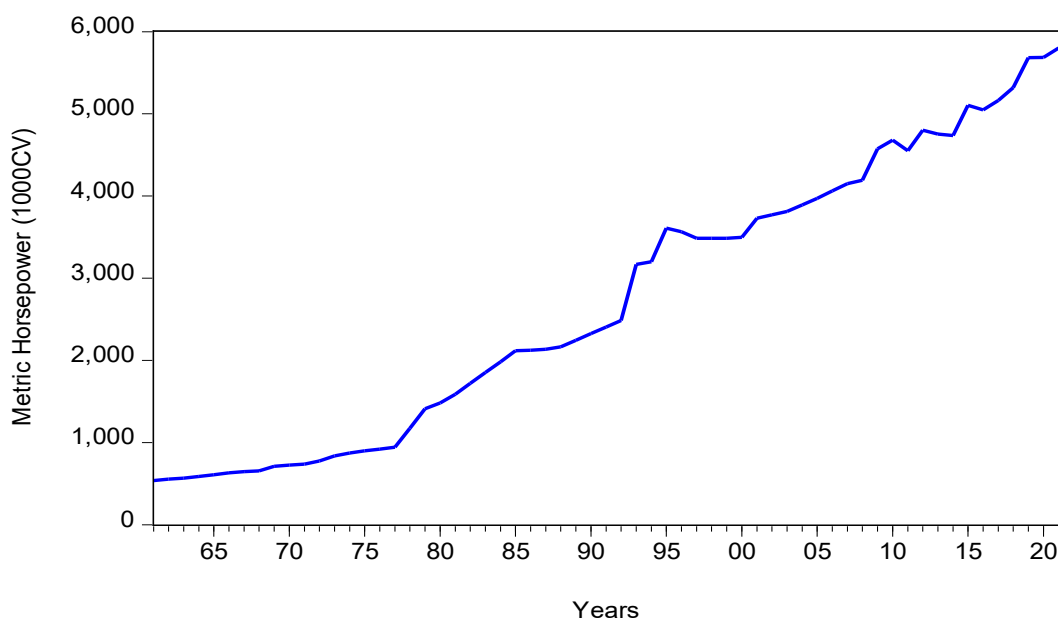
**Table (1): Annual Growth Rates of Domestic Agricultural Production**

| Period    | Crop Production | Animal Production | Aquaculture Production | Total Domestic Agricultural Production |
|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------|--|
| 1961-1970 | 2.9             | 3.41              | 0.67                   | 3.0                                    |
| 1971-1980 | 2.1             | 1.27              | 10.98                  | 1.9                                    |
| 1981-1990 | 3.6             | 3.48              | 14.31                  | 3.6                                    |
| 1991-2000 | 4.5             | 3.82              | 20.02                  | 4.6                                    |
| 2001-2010 | 3.0             | 3.51              | 9.66                   | 3.5                                    |
| 2011-2021 | 0.65            | 0.59              | 6.84                   | 1.2                                    |
| 1961-2021 | 2.95            | 3.38              | 11.81                  | 3.2                                    |

Source: calculated from the data in Table (1) in the Annex

**Machinery:** The dwindling labor force was partially compensated by a surge in employment of farm machinery. Farm machinery includes tractors, harvester-threshers, milking machines and water pumps. Overall rate of growth of farm machinery during the period 1961-2021 was 4.3 percent annually. The decade of the 1970s marked the time period with the largest rate of annual growth in farm machinery; 7.51 %. This surge in farm machinery was a way to make up for the lost labor force because of migration to the Gulf countries. Figure (2) shows the upward trend of the employment of farm machinery in Egypt.

Figure (2): Farm Machinery





**Table (2): Annual Growth Rates of Agricultural Inputs**

| Period    | Labor | Land | Capital Stock | Animals | Machinery |
|-----------|-------|------|---------------|---------|-----------|
| 1961-1970 | 1.5   | 1.7  | 2.6           | 2.4     | 3.32      |
| 1971-1980 | -1.2  | -2.0 | 2.2           | 0.6     | 7.51      |
| 1981-1990 | -0.2  | 0.9  | 3.4           | 3.1     | 3.82      |
| 1991-2000 | -0.06 | 2.2  | 13.8          | 1.8     | 3.91      |
| 2001-2010 | 4.2   | 1.0  | 2.5           | 0.09    | 2.47      |
| 2011-2021 | -2.7  | 0.97 | 3.2           | -5.8    | 2.43      |
| 1961-2021 | 0.27  | 0.8  | 5.5           | 1.6     | 4.3       |

Source: calculated from the data in Table (2) in the Annex

**Agricultural Land:** Land under cultivation has increased from 2568 thousand hectares in 1961 to 4031 thousand hectares in 2021; figure (3). This is equivalent to an increase from 6.163 million feddans to 9.674 million feddans in 61 years. That is arable land in Egypt has increased by about 57 percent in 61 years. Of course the addition to arable land requires the reclamation of desert land that cost large outlays. The decade of the 1990s witnessed the largest annual rate of growth in arable land, 2.2 %. In fact, arable land increased from 2643 thousand hectares in 1991 to 3291 thousand hectares in year 2000. This is equivalent to an increase of 1.56 million feddans in 10 years. The period of 1961-1970 witnessed the second largest annual rate of growth in arable land; 1.7 %. The land reclamation efforts in the 1960s were successful in adding about 660 thousand feddans to the agricultural land base. Unfortunately, a sizable portion of arable land was lost in the 1970s to urban expansion at an annual rate of 2 percent. That is about 976 thousand feddans of arable land were lost in the 1970s.

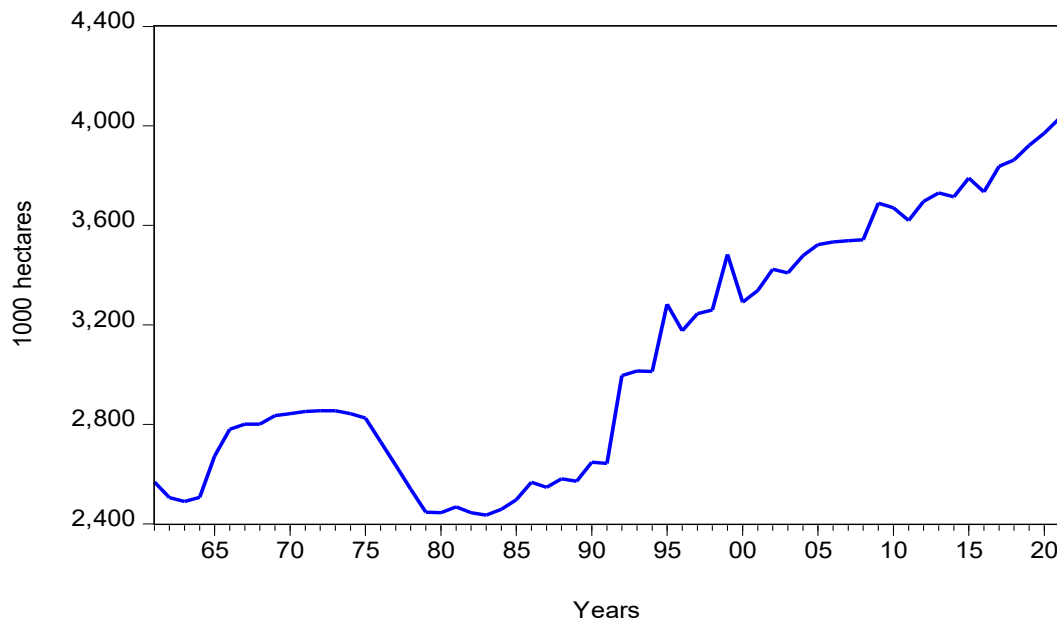
**Capital Stock:** Agricultural capital stock is measured in constant 2015 prices in million dollars. It entails inputs that are used over several seasons such as machinery, buildings, fruit and nut-bearing trees and breeding stock. The agricultural capital stock grew faster than any other input during the period 1961-2021. Again the decade of the 1990s saw an impressive 13.8 % annual rate of growth. The overall rate of growth during the period 1961-2021 was 5.5 percent. It seems that Egyptian agriculture is becoming more dependent on capital and less dependent on labor in recent decades. This trend could be explained by two points. First: expansion of capital stock is a necessity to make up for the shrinking agricultural labor force. Second: increased land base in the desert requires more reliance on capital resources



due to the dominance of large farm holdings. Currently, about one third of arable lands are classified as new lands that came about from desert reclamation over the years.

**Livestock:** Animal resources have grown over the period 1961-2021 by an average annual rate of 1.6 percent. The decades of the 1960s and 1980s have seen the largest rates of growth in animal resources. But there is slow growth and even decline in animal resources in recent decades. This downward trend could be explained by the severe shortage in animal feed on one hand and the less reliance on draft animals on the other hand. Draft animals are hardly used in Egyptian agriculture nowadays. The poultry industry in Egypt is almost entirely dependent on imported yellow corn and soybeans. As the country is facing hard currency problems it would be difficult to sustain the poultry industry and other commercial livestock enterprises.

Figure (3): Arable Land, 1961-2021



### Aggregate Production Function:

The aggregate production function for Egyptian agriculture can be postulated in the form of Cobb-Douglas function as follows:

$$\ln Y_t = B_0 + B_1 \ln X_{1t} + B_2 \ln X_{2t} + B_3 \ln X_{3t} + B_4 \ln X_{4t} + B_5 \ln X_{5t} + U_t \quad (1)$$

Where:

$Y_t$  = Gross value of agricultural production in constant US dollar prices

$X_{1t}$  = Time variable as a proxy variable for technical progress

$X_{2t}$  = Labor force employed in agriculture

$X_{3t}$  = Arable land under cultivation in hectares

$X_{4t}$  = Capital stock in agriculture in constant dollar prices

$X_{5t}$  = Animal units in year t

$U_t$  = Disturbance term

$\ln$  = Natural logarithms.

The disturbance term is assumed to satisfy the ideal conditions of ordinary least squares. The coefficients of the equation represent the elasticities of the respective factors of production. For example,  $B_2$  is the elasticity of production with respect to labor force. Equation (1) is estimated by ordinary least squares for the period 1981-2021. The previous period of 1961-1980 is left out because it represents a period of socialist policies and strong government intervention in the agricultural sector. The year of 1981 marks the beginning of a new political regime and the leaning towards economic reform policies. The results of OLS estimates are presented in table (4). The second column in the table is concerned with the unrestricted form of the production function. That means no restrictions on the values of the coefficients of the production function are imposed.

Table (4) shows that all coefficients are positive as expected by the economic theory. Moreover, all estimates of the coefficients are statistically significant at 1 % level of significance except the coefficient of the animal variable which is significant at the level of 5 %. The large value of R-squared; 0.997, indicates that the model fits the data quite well. In addition the value of the Durbin-Watson statistic is close to 2 which mean that serial correlation is almost nonexistent. Finally, the inclusion of the time variable in the Cobb-Douglas model serves two purposes. The first one is to mitigate the problem of non-stationary time series. The second reason is to account for the technical change that has been taking place in Egyptian agriculture during the period 1981-2021.

The results in the second column of table (4) show that the production elasticity with respect to arable land is 0.329. That is an increase of arable land by 10 percent leads to the increase of the value of total agricultural production by 3.29 percent when all other factors are held constant. The sum of the elasticities of the labor, land, capital

and animal is 0.732. This sum is a measure of the returns to scale in the production process. The figure of 0.732 means that if we increase each one of the four inputs by say, 10 %, then the total agricultural production would increase by 7.32 %. That means that the production process shows decreasing returns to scale.

It is of special interest to see if the data of Egyptian agriculture supports the view that the production process is actually in line with constant returns to scale. Constant returns to scale implies that increasing all factors of production by a certain percentage would lead to the increase of aggregate agricultural production by the same percentage. This version of constant returns to scale function simply results from the estimation of equation (1) subject to the constraint:

$$B_3+B_4+B_5+B_6=1 \quad (2)$$

To test the validity of the restriction in equation (2) we have to calculate the following F- statistic:

$$F = \frac{(RSSE - USSE)/r}{USSE/(N - K)}$$

Where RSSE is the error sum of squares of the restricted model, USSE is the error sum of squares of the unrestricted model, r is the number of restrictions, N is the number of observations and K is the number of coefficients in the unrestricted model. If the calculated F-statistic is larger than the tabulated F- statistic at a given level of significance we reject the null hypothesis in equation (2). Utilizing the Wald test in E-views shows that the calculated F-statistic is 4.6 with p-value of 0.039. Therefore we do not reject the null hypothesis at the 5 % level of significance. That is the aggregate production function for Egyptian agriculture shows constant returns to scale. If, for example, all farm inputs are increased by 25 percent the aggregate agricultural production would increase by 25 percent as well.

Looking at the results of the restricted model in table (4), column 3, reveals that the elasticities of production with respect to labor, land, capital and animals are 0.252, 0.575, 0.133, and 0.04 respectively. Because of its pivotal role in agricultural production arable land has the largest elasticity of 0.575. That is increasing the land base by 10 percent and holding the other factors constant would increase aggregate agricultural production by 5.75 percent. All coefficient estimates for the restricted

model in table (4) are statistically significant at the level of 1 % except the coefficient of animal resources which is not statistically significant.

**Table (4): Aggregate Production Function**

| Variables          | Unrestricted Model | Restricted Model  |
|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Constant           | 8.017<br>(9.661)   | 6.266<br>(39.919) |
| LnX <sub>1t</sub>  | 0.728<br>(10.62)   | 0.617<br>(13.04)  |
| LnX <sub>2t</sub>  | 0.214<br>(5.559)   | 0.252<br>(6.959)  |
| LnX <sub>3t</sub>  | 0.329<br>(2.732)   | 0.575<br>(14.387) |
| Ln X <sub>4t</sub> | 0.14<br>(7.145)    | 0.133<br>(6.556)  |
| Ln X <sub>5t</sub> | 0.049<br>(2.176)   | 0.04<br>(0.513)   |
| R-Squared          | 0.997              | 0.997             |
| F-Statistic        | 2500               | 2841              |
| D-W Statistic      | 1.723              | 1.879             |
| SSE                | 0.01956            | 0.02214           |
| Observations       | 41                 | 41                |

### Sources of Growth:

If we rewrite equation (1) in the deterministic form, after deleting the constant term and the disturbance term, the equation becomes

$$\text{Ln } Y_t = B_1 \text{Ln} X_{1t} + B_2 \text{Ln} X_{2t} + B_3 \text{Ln} X_{3t} + B_4 \text{Ln} X_{4t} + B_5 \text{Ln} X_{5t} \quad (3)$$

Taking the change in equation (3) leads to equation 4:

$$\Delta \text{Ln} Y_t = B_1 \Delta \text{Ln} X_{1t} + B_2 \Delta \text{Ln} X_{2t} + B_3 \Delta \text{Ln} X_{3t} + B_4 \Delta \text{Ln} X_{4t} + B_5 \Delta \text{Ln} X_{5t} \quad (4)$$

Dividing equation (4) by the time variable gives rise to the following growth accounting relationship:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Rate of growth in } Y = & B_1 * (\text{rate of growth in } X_1) + B_2 * (\text{rate of growth in } X_2) \\ & + B_3 * (\text{rate of growth in } X_3) + B_4 * (\text{rate of growth in } X_4) \\ & + B_5 * (\text{rate of growth in } X_5). \quad (5) \end{aligned}$$

Each term on the right hand side of equation (5) represents the relative importance of a specific input in determining the rate of growth of aggregate agricultural production. This is known as Solow growth accounting equation.

For example,  $B_3 * (\text{rate of growth in } X_3)$  is the contribution of arable land to the growth rate of agricultural production in a given time period. This contribution is calculated as the product of production elasticity with respect to land ( $B_3$ ) and the annual growth rate of arable land in a given time period.

Applying equation (5) to the restricted model of constant returns to scale in table (4) would give some insights to the determinants of growth of agricultural production in Egypt during the period 1981-2021. The annual rates of growth of the variables in equation (5) are 2.57 %, 0.56 %, 1.31%, 6.77%, and 1.08 % for technical change, labor, land, capital and animal resources respectively. Accordingly, the relative contribution of each factor can be summarized in table 5.

**Table (5): Relative Contribution of Growth Factors**

| Technical Progress | Labor Force | Arable Land | Capital Stock | Animal Resources | Total |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|------------------|-------|
| 1.58               | 0.14        | 0.76        | 0.9           | 0.043            | 3.423 |

Table (5) reveals that technical progress is the most important contributor to the growth of agricultural production in Egypt. The share of technical progress to the overall growth rate of 3.423 is 1.58. That is about 46.2% of the growth in agricultural production during the period 1981-2021 is contributable to technical progress. Second in importance is arable land which contributed about 0.76 to the total growth rate of 3.423 or equivalently about 22.2 percent of the growth of total production. And about 53.8 % of the growth in agriculture is contributed to the combined growth of labor, land, capital and animal resources.

Egyptian agriculture is highly dependent on scientific knowledge and know how technology. The contribution of technical progress to the growth of Egyptian agriculture is more than twice the contribution of arable land. This result is particularly important for the future of agricultural development. This is due to the difficulties associated with expansion possibilities of natural resources especially land and water in Egypt. Adoption of new technologies and the constant improvements in the methods of production over time are necessary for future expansion of Egyptian agriculture.

#### **Concluding Remarks and Recommendations:**

The study shows that the performance of Egyptian agriculture is responsive to changes in political and economic regimes. It seems that political stability is more conducive to agricultural growth. This is evident from the period of the 1990s which was marked by political stability and by the adoption of market –oriented policies. The study reveals that technical progress is the most important contributor to the growth of agricultural production in Egypt. The contribution of technical progress

to the growth of Egyptian agriculture is more than twice the contribution of arable land.

The study recommends that due attention should be devoted to the need to accelerate the adoption of new technologies that enhance the productivities of limited natural resources especially water and land. It follows that the systems of agricultural research, extension and education should be upgraded in order to face up to the challenges facing Egyptian agriculture. Financial resources from public and private sources should be made available to provide for the upgrading requirements.

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## Annex

**Table (1): Value of Domestic Agricultural Production and its Components:  
1961 -2021**

Constant 1000 U.S. Dollar Prices (2015=100)

| year | Crop GDP   | animal GDP | fish GDP | total GDP  |
|------|------------|------------|----------|------------|
| 1961 | 4,813,577  | 1,650,021  | 11,583   | 6,475,181  |
| 1962 | 5,875,501  | 1,695,469  | 11,583   | 7,582,553  |
| 1963 | 6,117,274  | 1,693,761  | 13,365   | 7,824,400  |
| 1964 | 6,127,974  | 1,721,829  | 15,592   | 7,865,395  |
| 1965 | 6,236,551  | 1,751,485  | 13,810   | 8,001,846  |
| 1966 | 6,264,853  | 1,793,503  | 13,142   | 8,071,498  |
| 1967 | 6,081,464  | 1,852,490  | 12,474   | 7,946,428  |
| 1968 | 6,532,895  | 2,153,301  | 12,474   | 8,698,669  |
| 1969 | 7,021,065  | 2,158,255  | 13,142   | 9,192,462  |
| 1970 | 6,905,693  | 2,177,539  | 13,365   | 9,096,596  |
| 1971 | 7,126,038  | 2,240,378  | 15,592   | 9,382,008  |
| 1972 | 7,262,131  | 2,291,274  | 17,819   | 9,571,225  |
| 1973 | 7,306,421  | 2,308,967  | 20,047   | 9,635,435  |
| 1974 | 7,397,112  | 2,353,568  | 20,047   | 9,770,727  |
| 1975 | 7,601,487  | 2,381,938  | 20,047   | 10,003,472 |
| 1976 | 7,852,740  | 2,411,471  | 24,502   | 10,288,712 |
| 1977 | 7,643,389  | 2,435,307  | 28,957   | 10,107,653 |
| 1978 | 7,964,977  | 2,475,236  | 33,411   | 10,473,624 |
| 1979 | 8,478,653  | 2,488,004  | 37,866   | 11,004,523 |
| 1980 | 8,713,520  | 2,520,022  | 42,321   | 11,275,863 |
| 1981 | 8,614,952  | 2,635,280  | 46,776   | 11,297,008 |
| 1982 | 8,986,456  | 2,827,986  | 53,458   | 11,867,900 |
| 1983 | 9,120,399  | 3,052,011  | 55,686   | 12,228,096 |
| 1984 | 9,088,791  | 3,237,656  | 60,141   | 12,386,588 |
| 1985 | 9,822,727  | 3,225,179  | 97,165   | 13,145,070 |
| 1986 | 10,596,887 | 3,335,751  | 102,667  | 14,035,305 |
| 1987 | 11,082,782 | 3,492,134  | 107,045  | 14,681,961 |
| 1988 | 10,709,993 | 3,626,025  | 122,074  | 14,458,091 |
| 1989 | 11,025,160 | 3,623,538  | 149,264  | 14,797,963 |
| 1990 | 12,002,825 | 3,629,156  | 153,737  | 15,785,718 |
| 1991 | 12,146,756 | 4,331,243  | 160,297  | 16,638,296 |
| 1992 | 13,113,772 | 4,549,032  | 167,903  | 17,830,707 |



|      |            |           |           |            |
|------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 1993 | 13,557,084 | 4,677,899 | 137,063   | 18,372,046 |
| 1994 | 13,384,399 | 4,867,940 | 151,702   | 18,404,041 |
| 1995 | 14,688,573 | 5,058,071 | 203,060   | 19,949,704 |
| 1996 | 16,073,261 | 5,261,928 | 262,431   | 21,597,620 |
| 1997 | 16,310,673 | 5,716,447 | 245,018   | 22,272,138 |
| 1998 | 16,228,982 | 5,721,439 | 404,568   | 22,354,989 |
| 1999 | 17,683,191 | 5,902,696 | 631,774   | 24,217,661 |
| 2000 | 18,572,356 | 6,012,968 | 1,019,734 | 25,605,058 |
| 2001 | 18,202,144 | 6,133,876 | 1,024,359 | 25,360,379 |
| 2002 | 19,126,679 | 7,084,563 | 1,144,356 | 27,355,598 |
| 2003 | 19,476,835 | 7,595,420 | 1,360,352 | 28,432,607 |
| 2004 | 20,541,884 | 7,256,640 | 1,411,421 | 29,209,945 |
| 2005 | 21,243,990 | 7,637,742 | 1,654,032 | 30,535,764 |
| 2006 | 22,606,499 | 7,928,099 | 1,939,915 | 32,474,513 |
| 2007 | 23,160,645 | 8,571,860 | 2,086,753 | 33,819,258 |
| 2008 | 24,115,560 | 8,732,053 | 2,126,620 | 34,974,233 |
| 2009 | 24,270,072 | 8,580,410 | 2,160,479 | 35,010,961 |
| 2010 | 22,418,622 | 8,776,992 | 2,473,389 | 33,669,003 |
| 2011 | 23,625,707 | 8,916,445 | 2,618,545 | 35,160,697 |
| 2012 | 24,763,184 | 9,215,034 | 2,711,807 | 36,690,025 |
| 2013 | 23,837,385 | 9,307,592 | 2,864,164 | 36,009,141 |
| 2014 | 25,113,373 | 9,344,339 | 2,984,916 | 37,442,628 |
| 2015 | 25,855,423 | 9,076,380 | 3,136,274 | 38,068,077 |
| 2016 | 25,081,047 | 8,904,754 | 3,636,650 | 37,622,451 |
| 2017 | 25,509,555 | 9,334,349 | 3,928,617 | 38,772,521 |
| 2018 | 24,392,327 | 9,013,656 | 4,401,316 | 37,807,299 |
| 2019 | 25,656,583 | 9,088,105 | 4,542,708 | 39,287,396 |
| 2020 | 25,797,218 | 9,913,301 | 4,678,765 | 40,389,284 |
| 2021 | 25,596,726 | 9,792,219 | 4,727,788 | 40,116,733 |

Source: USDA – Economic Research Service, International Agriculture Productivity Database.

**Table (2): Factors of Agricultural Production: 1961-2021**

| Year | Labor<br>(1000 persons) | Capital<br>(\$million)<br>2015=100 | Livestock<br>(1000s of<br>standard<br>livestock units) | Machines<br>(1000 CV) | Land<br>(1000<br>hectares) |
|------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 1961 | 4,836                   | 2,594                              | 4,864  | 538                   | 2,568                      |
| 1962 | 4,879                   | 2,560                              | 4,751  | 554                   | 2,505                      |
| 1963 | 4,934                   | 2,520                              | 4,633  | 567                   | 2,490                      |
| 1964 | 5,039                   | 2,573                              | 4,713  | 588                   | 2,506                      |
| 1965 | 5,209                   | 2,628                              | 4,797  | 609                   | 2,672                      |
| 1966 | 5,192                   | 2,681                              | 4,877  | 630                   | 2,780                      |
| 1967 | 5,229                   | 2,731                              | 4,958  | 647                   | 2,801                      |
| 1968 | 5,326                   | 3,021                              | 5,606  | 655                   | 2,801                      |
| 1969 | 5,438                   | 3,121                              | 5,719  | 711                   | 2,835                      |
| 1970 | 5,520                   | 3,175                              | 5,814  | 726                   | 2,843                      |
| 1971 | 5,993                   | 3,212                              | 5,875  | 738                   | 2,852                      |
| 1972 | 6,210                   | 3,289                              | 5,966  | 776                   | 2,855                      |
| 1973 | 5,947                   | 3,374                              | 6,028  | 838                   | 2,855                      |
| 1974 | 5,681                   | 3,429                              | 6,081  | 873                   | 2,843                      |
| 1975 | 5,993                   | 3,473                              | 6,130  | 898                   | 2,825                      |
| 1976 | 5,813                   | 3,505                              | 6,160  | 920                   | 2,730                      |
| 1977 | 5,634                   | 3,536                              | 6,186  | 942                   | 2,635                      |
| 1978 | 5,385                   | 3,780                              | 6,314  | 1,174                 | 2,540                      |
| 1979 | 5,488                   | 3,888                              | 6,202  | 1,410                 | 2,447                      |
| 1980 | 5,666                   | 3,940                              | 6,215  | 1,482                 | 2,445                      |
| 1981 | 5,446                   | 4,086                              | 6,302  | 1,588                 | 2,468                      |
| 1982 | 5,376                   | 4,303                              | 6,511  | 1,719                 | 2,445                      |
| 1983 | 5,434                   | 4,456                              | 6,562  | 1,851                 | 2,435                      |
| 1984 | 5,305                   | 4,666                              | 6,764  | 1,983                 | 2,458                      |
| 1985 | 5,280                   | 4,804                              | 6,789  | 2,118                 | 2,497                      |
| 1986 | 5,254                   | 4,850                              | 6,885  | 2,124                 | 2,567                      |
| 1987 | 5,229                   | 5,017                              | 7,262  | 2,136                 | 2,547                      |
| 1988 | 5,204                   | 5,277                              | 7,837  | 2,165                 | 2,581                      |
| 1989 | 5,179                   | 5,406                              | 7,963  | 2,245                 | 2,571                      |
| 1990 | 5,599                   | 5,686                              | 8,466  | 2,325                 | 2,648                      |
| 1991 | 4,333                   | 6,046                              | 9,154  | 2,405                 | 2,643                      |
| 1992 | 5,535                   | 6,282                              | 9,544  | 2,485                 | 2,996                      |
| 1993 | 5,189                   | 7,022                              | 9,842  | 3,169                 | 3,015                      |

|      |       |        |        |       |       |
|------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| 1994 | 5,361 | 7,049  | 9,846  | 3,199 | 3,013 |
| 1995 | 5,216 | 7,448  | 9,995  | 3,609 | 3,283 |
| 1996 | 5,369 | 9,470  | 10,260 | 3,566 | 3,176 |
| 1997 | 4,951 | 11,871 | 10,520 | 3,486 | 3,245 |
| 1998 | 4,823 | 14,198 | 10,349 | 3,486 | 3,260 |
| 1999 | 4,807 | 16,724 | 10,754 | 3,486 | 3,483 |
| 2000 | 5,097 | 19,590 | 11,122 | 3,497 | 3,291 |
| 2001 | 5,010 | 22,074 | 11,472 | 3,731 | 3,338 |
| 2002 | 4,913 | 24,529 | 11,952 | 3,772 | 3,424 |
| 2003 | 5,412 | 26,443 | 12,207 | 3,813 | 3,409 |
| 2004 | 5,958 | 26,695 | 12,154 | 3,892 | 3,478 |
| 2005 | 5,972 | 26,630 | 12,327 | 3,971 | 3,523 |
| 2006 | 6,371 | 27,200 | 12,497 | 4,062 | 3,533 |
| 2007 | 6,886 | 27,703 | 12,988 | 4,152 | 3,538 |
| 2008 | 7,116 | 28,062 | 12,543 | 4,191 | 3,542 |
| 2009 | 6,876 | 28,814 | 11,787 | 4,573 | 3,689 |
| 2010 | 6,728 | 29,470 | 11,343 | 4,680 | 3,671 |
| 2011 | 6,810 | 30,018 | 11,624 | 4,550 | 3,620 |
| 2012 | 6,378 | 31,325 | 11,997 | 4,802 | 3,696 |
| 2013 | 6,703 | 32,522 | 11,895 | 4,754 | 3,731 |
| 2014 | 6,694 | 33,452 | 11,951 | 4,735 | 3,715 |
| 2015 | 6,397 | 34,505 | 11,987 | 5,104 | 3,790 |
| 2016 | 6,478 | 35,772 | 11,909 | 5,047 | 3,734 |
| 2017 | 6,516 | 37,134 | 11,297 | 5,162 | 3,837 |
| 2018 | 5,635 | 38,710 | 10,954 | 5,319 | 3,863 |
| 2019 | 5,512 | 40,476 | 7,053  | 5,684 | 3,922 |
| 2020 | 5,325 | 42,454 | 7,058  | 5,687 | 3,971 |
| 2021 | 5,232 | 39,284 | 7,048  | 5,802 | 4,031 |

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