

The Republic of The Sudan
Ministry of Tourism & National Heritage
National Corporation for Antiquities & Museums
(NCAM)

Merowe Dam Archaeological Salvage Project
(MDASP)

Appeal for rescuing a piece of Man's cultural heritage

In the name of the Government of the Sudan, I would like to invite all experts and International Institutions specialised in the fields of archaeology, history, ethnography, preservation and related sciences to contribute to the rescuing of sites endangered by the construction of a dam near the IVth Cataract of the Nile (Merowe Dam).

The participating Institutions will benefit from the following:

- * Exemption of fees for the duration of work in the region.
- * Exemption of fees for the regular study concessions of the mission for two successive seasons after the end of the rescue campaign.
- * NCAM will try its best to solve any logistic problems.
- * According to chapter III, article 28(b) of the Antiquities Protection Ordinance (1999), institutions participating in the salvage project will have the right to own a representative portion of their discoveries (objects).

Please find herewith the essential information about this campaign, prepared by *Dr. Salah M. Ahmed*, the *Project Field Director*. We are confident that there will be a positive response from the International Scientific Community, which has always been a great help for all our Salvage projects since the UNESCO Nubian Campaign of the sixties of the last century.

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