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Abstract

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The study aimed to monitor and analyze the current situation of the industrial sector in North Sinai Governorate to identify the challenges and obstacles facing industrial development in the governorate as one of the most important means of achieving the strategic goal of the state is to strengthen Egyptian national security, as well as studying and analyzing the role of population resettlement in North Sinai Governorate and its fields in supporting Egyptian national security, with a focus on the industrial field With the aim of promoting industrial development and foreign trade in the province.

The study used the analytical descriptive approach based on specialized research and studies Published university and non-university websites and available data on the subject of the study.

The study included a review of the most prominent economic concepts and theories related to industrial development and the developmental, legislative and institutional framework governing industrial development in North Sinai Governorate, as well as a review of the geostrategic importance of North Sinai Governorate for Egyptian national security based on definitions and concepts of national security and its dimensions in general and the impact of industrial development in particular on the national security system, the elements of development in North Sinai Governorate and their connection to the national security system were also reviewed, as well as the characteristics of the population there, the Suez Canal in supporting industrial development in North Sinai Governorate, then the goals and areas of population settlement in North Sinai and the local variables that occurred in Egypt from 2011 to 2022 were reviewed and its impact on national security and industrial development in North Sinai, and the challenges it created.

The study reached several conclusions, most notably that the North Sinai governorate has great strategic importance for Egyptian national security, it must be a priority in the comprehensive or sectoral development processes foremost among them is the industrial sector, whose success and growth is closely linked to the consolidation of Egyptian national security.

The study made several recommendations, the most prominent of which was the importance of establishing a strong industrial base in North Sinai Governorate it is based on increasing productivity, export and human settlement as a strategic goal with which all are integrated other activities with a focus on attracting capital and promoting investment opportunities.

Keywords: industrial development, national security, industry, Sinai, industrial sector, North Sinai.

Summary

Industrial development is considered one of the most important pillars of economic development in Egypt, as it represents the locomotive of development as it produces an increase in added value, which helps to secure total or partial self-sufficiency in food and clothing and improve economic balances, which entails strengthening Egyptian national security thus, the importance of achieving real industrial development in North Sinai governorate is formed to support the pillars of economic development in the governorate, which will result in strengthening Egyptian national security the importance of studying, While the problem of the study from which the research horizons were launched, which is (not operating the industrial zones in North Sinai Governorate at their full capacity, in order to achieve the appropriate economic return Because of its investment cost and what is expected of it, especially in light of the availability of the elements of industrial development in the province Therefore, there is great importance to directing the development efforts exerted in North Sinai Governorate to achieve promising industrial development that will necessarily lead to strengthening the Egyptian national security system and will contribute to addressing the turbulent conditions, which the governorate recently passed through, which represented a direct threat to Egyptian national security.

The study aimed to Monitoring and analyzing the status of the industry sector in North Sinai Governorate to identify the challenges and obstacles facing industrial development in the governorate as one of the most important means of achieving the strategic goal of the state, which is Strengthening Egyptian national security. The study also used the descriptive analytical approach, based on research and specialized university and non-university studies published, internet sites and available data about the subject of the study.

The study was divided into five chapters as follows:

The first chapter is entitled "The general framework of the study", which deals with the problem of the study, its objectives and hypotheses, and the importance and temporal and spatial limits of the study, the methodology of the study, and previous Arab and foreign studies, as well as the contents of the study.

The second chapter is entitled "Concepts and Frameworks Related to Industrial Development in North Sinai Governorate", which deals with economic concepts and theories related to industrial development, and the development framework such as the constitutional development commitments, the National Strategic Plan for Urban Development in Egypt 2052, the Sustainable Development Strategy 2030, and the strategy to promote industrial development and foreign trade in Egypt 2016-2020 and Sinai Development Strategy 2014-2022, As well as the general legislative framework governing industrial development Such as the Investment Guarantees and Incentives Law and the Law of Facilitating Procedures for Granting Licenses for Industrial Facilities And

the most prominent of what came in them in addition to the law on integrated development in the Sinai Peninsula and what it contained, The governing institutional framework for industrial development and the most prominent institutions that participate in shaping its overall image were also reviewed, such as Sinai Development Authority and the Governorate of North Sinai, and The General Authority for Investment and Free Zones, the General Authority for Industrial Development, the Small, Medium and Micro Enterprises Development Authority, the Egyptian Company for Mining, Management and Exploitation of Quarries and Salines, and the extent to which each of these institutions relates to the industrial development process in North Sinai Governorate.

The third chapter is entitled "The geostrategic importance of the North Sinai Governorate in relation to Egyptian national security and the elements of its development," which dealt with the geostrategic importance of the North Sinai Governorate, concepts and definitions National security, its dimensions and levels, the administrative division, the characteristics of the population and the diversity between Bedouinism and urban life in the governorate, as well as the infrastructure supporting the industrial sector in the governorate, such as the road network that extends horizontally and vertically covering all parts of the governorate, bridges and tunnels that contributed to facilitating the obstacles of crossing from the eastern bank of the Suez Canal to its west and vice versa, as well as the diversity between Land ports, sea ports and airports in addition existing and planned industrial zones.

The fourth chapter is entitled "The Status of the Industry Sector in North Sinai Governorate", which deals with an overview For the industrial sector in North Sinai Governorate, as well as the geographical distribution of industrial activities in centers And the six cities of the governorate, namely Al-Arish, Bir Al-Abd, Sheikh Zuweid, Rafah, Al-Hasana, and Nakhl And the chronology of development and development activities and plans that took place in North Sinai Governorate, then a review The importance of the Suez Canal axis and the extent of its contribution to supporting industrial development in North Sinai Governorate Especially since they are located within one region, and data and numbers of industrial activities in the governorate were also monitored And compare them with numbers at the level of Egypt.

The fifth chapter is entitled "Population Settlement and Local Variables from 2011 to 2022" and its impact on national security and industrial development in North Sinai," which dealt with the process of population settlement In North Sinai Governorate, its objectives and fields, as well as the local changes that occurred in Egypt during the period from 2011 to 2022 in the political, security, economic, social, cultural and media fields, and the impact of these changes on national security in the eastern strategic direction and industrial development in North Sinai Governorate, and the challenges and obstacles that resulted. Related to the developmental and social environment in the governorate, as well as challenges and obstacles related to procedures, laws, financing and the investors themselves.

The study reached a number of results, the most prominent of which was that North Sinai Governorate has all the ingredients Which makes it one of the main sources of raw, manufactured and manufacturable products, and it can To accommodate millions of citizens who have real opportunities for work and production, especially in the industrial and agricultural fields, because of their infrastructure and exploitable investment opportunities, as they are no longer geographically isolated from the rest of the homeland, thanks to the network of tunnels under the Suez Canal, ferries and floating bridges.

The study also reached a number of recommendations that can support the industrial sector in the governorate North Sinai and creating an attractive environment that leads to operating more factories and providing job opportunities for a wide sector Among those who wish, and among the most important of these recommendations is the need to complete planning and infrastructure for all existing and planned industrial zones in North Sinai Governorate, Consider granting more investment incentives And financing initiatives that are flexible in procedures and financing value for projects in North Sinai from the rest of the Republic and promote it to increase the number of beneficiaries, as well as expedite the implementation and offering the new cities east of the Suez Canal, as they will represent an important growth center in their geographical scope revitalization of the surrounding villages, The recommendations also included main goals, such as seeking to create a large industrial position for the North Sinai Governorate within the Egyptian country, regionally and globally, and to contribute in a distinctive way to the movement of International trade in a way that maximizes the gross national product of Egypt and causes a civilized boom that attracts the population towards Sinai and supports the establishment of a strong industrial base based on activating the export orientation and human settlement Taking into account the main determinants of this trend, such as security, economic and social determinants, and with proposed measures in the short term as well as the medium and long term.