

Belachew Mehari Beyene

IRRIGATION & AGRICULTURAL INFRASTRUCTURE EXPERT

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Thirty-three years in irrigation and agricultural infrastructure across Ethiopia and Kenya — from canal construction supervision in 1993 to directing a 5,000 TPD cement plant project today. Deep expertise in pressurized irrigation, center-pivot systems, and large-scale sugar and rice development schemes, having shaped land and irrigation planning for cane areas exceeding 200,000 hectares.

CORE EXPERTISE

Irrigation System Design	Feasibility Studies	Project & Portfolio Management	Contract Administration
Center Pivot & Sprinkler Systems	Bid Evaluation & Procurement	Construction Supervision	Capacity Building

EXPERIENCE

Portfolio & Project Manager Abay Industrial Development · Ethiopia Leading formulation & delivery of the company's 5,000 TPD cement plant project.	Mar 2023 – present
Senior Irrigation Engineer AGRIPOL Int'l Consultancy (KISCOL) · Kenya Assessing a 7,000 ha drip-irrigation estate; integrated development plan.	Aug 2023 – present
Sugar Project Coordinator Abay Industrial Development SC · Ethiopia Reviewed & updated feasibility of the planned Tana Beles-II sugar complex.	Nov 2018 – Feb 2023
Infrastructure Dev't Project Manager Saudi Star Agricultural Dev't · Ethiopia Rice-production irrigation at Gambella; center-pivot design for Cheleleki.	Nov 2015 – Sep 2017
Director, Agricultural Projects Directorate Ethiopian Sugar Corporation · Ethiopia Land, irrigation & mechanization lead across seven national sugar projects.	Feb 2011 – Dec 2015
Irrigation & Agriculture Expansion Project Manager Wonji/Shoa Sugar Factory · Ethiopia Automated sprinkler system at Wake Tio & Dodota; 561 resettlement houses.	Aug 2007 – Feb 2010

SELECTED PROJECTS

Tana Beles Sugar Project	2011-12	75,000 ha net cane area · 60 m³/s main canal
Finchaa East Bank Development	2005-07	7,000 ha planned pressurized cane scheme
KISCOL Irrigation Assessment	2023-present	7,000 ha drip estate, Kenya
6,700 ha West Bank Canal	1993-98	42 km main canal, under Booker Tate

EDUCATION

MSc, Project Planning & Management — YOM Institute of Economic Development	thesis ongoing
BSc, Irrigation Engineering — Arbaminch Water Technology Institute	2002
Advanced Diploma, Irrigation & Drainage Engineering — Arbaminch Water Technology Institute	1992

LANGUAGES

Amharic **Excellent** English **Excellent** Oromiffa **Trace** Italian **Trace**