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### A New Beginning

#### Introduction

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*This path improved my life a lot. There are other disabled people. They sit in their houses without work. They should also benefit from those projects*

Shakhwan, 32, lives in the village of Zilkan, in Erbil Governorate. He was a member of the Peshmerga, the military forces of the Kurdistan region of Iraq who defeated Daesh in 2017. After a car accident, he lost the use of his legs and became disabled.

“When the accident happened, my financial situation worsened considerably. I stayed bedridden for three years. I became a burden to the others, especially to my wife. I lost hope for life,” he explains.

Shakhwan got support from the Trust Fund supported Qudra project. He was offered two cows and

built a shed for his cattle. A ramp was also built to improve his mobility in a wheelchair. This allows him to move more independently and has improved his social and economic life.

Shakhwan says: "I help my wife feed the cows and supervise them. My wife milks the cows and she sells the dairy products at the market."

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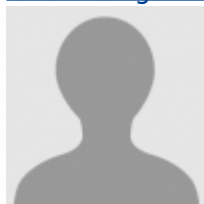
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