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General Authority for Statistics

# Microdata Request

## User Guide

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**Microdata** refers to data available at the survey or census level, obtained from official surveys and censuses in the form of samples or complete datasets. These are accessed through the Microdata Lab at the General Authority for Statistics (GASTAT). Users can benefit from the Microdata Lab by requesting a Scientific Use File (SUFs) and following the provided instructions to obtain approval for visiting the lab.

**The Microdata Center ensures** the protection of sensitive and confidential information by anonymizing protected data to maintain privacy and confidentiality. Microdata provides detailed statistical information and data on the characteristics of individuals or entities, such as: households, businesses, facilities, farms and even geographic areas such as villages or towns.



# Microdata Request

## Notes:

- This service is available through login using a registered account and can also be accessed via the Unified National Access (NAFATH).
- Service is **free of charge**.
- Request will be processed within **3** working days.

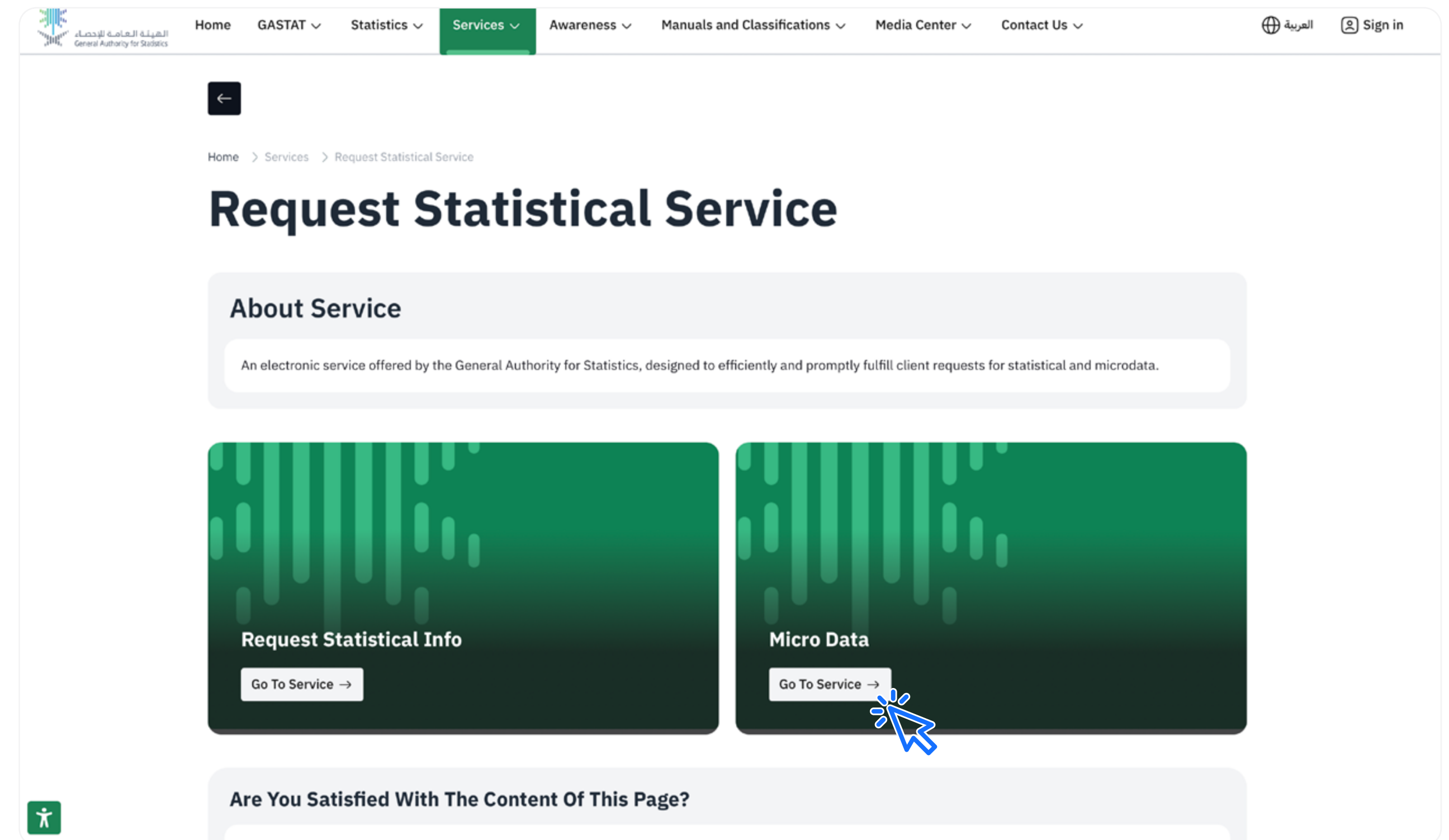
## Steps to request Scientific Use Files (SUFS):

- the Services list from the official website.
- Select Statistical Information **Request** From the list of services.

The screenshot shows the website interface of the General Authority for Statistics. The top navigation bar includes 'Home', 'GASTAT', 'Statistics', 'Services', 'Awareness', 'Manuals and Classifications', 'Media Center', and 'Contact Us'. The 'Services' menu is expanded, showing 'Request Statistical Service', 'Business Center', and 'Innovation Platform'. A blue cursor icon points to 'Request Statistical Service'. Below the navigation, there is a search bar and a 'tomorrow' banner for the Saudi Statistics Forum (27-28 April 2025). A row of five data cards displays: 35,300,280 Population Estimates Publication 2024; 4.5% Real GDP Growth rate - Fourth Quarter 2024; 7.0% Saudi unemployment, fourth Quarter 2024; 2.3% Inflation, March 2025; and -0.2% Industrial Production Index, February 2025. Below these are three category cards: Economic Statistics, Social Statistics, and Spatial and Resources Statistics, each with a 'Show All' button. At the bottom, there is a 'Latest Data' section with a person icon.

# Steps to request Scientific Use Files (SUFS):

- Select **microdata** by clicking **(Go to Service)**.



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Home > Services > Request Statistical Service

## Request Statistical Service

### About Service

An electronic service offered by the General Authority for Statistics, designed to efficiently and promptly fulfill client requests for statistical and microdata.

#### Request Statistical Info

Go To Service →

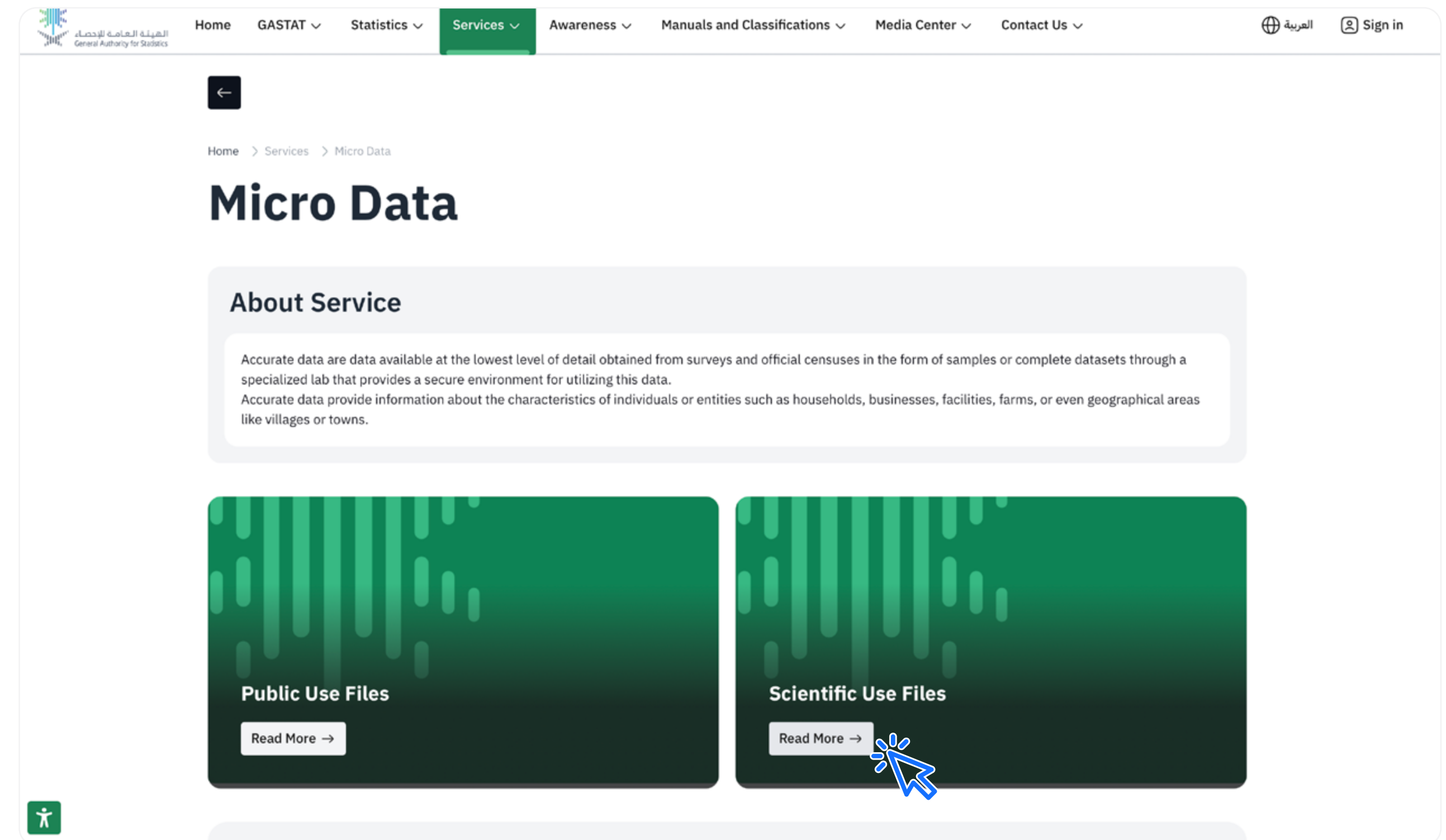
#### Micro Data

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# Steps to request Scientific Use Files (SUFS):

- Select the Scientific Use File (SUFS) option by clicking (Read More).



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## Micro Data

### About Service

Accurate data are data available at the lowest level of detail obtained from surveys and official censuses in the form of samples or complete datasets through a specialized lab that provides a secure environment for utilizing this data. Accurate data provide information about the characteristics of individuals or entities such as households, businesses, facilities, farms, or even geographical areas like villages or towns.

#### Public Use Files

Read More →

#### Scientific Use Files

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# Steps to request Scientific Use Files (SUFS):

- Then click on (Start Service) icon.

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## Request for Scientific Use Files (SUFS)

An electronic service provided by the General Authority for Statistics, aimed at fulfilling customer requests for statistical data using the fastest and most effective methods.

[Service level agreement](#)

**Start Service**

### Steps to provide the service

Service delivery steps Requirements Customer Service

1. Select the list of e-services from the official website.
2. Select request micro data.
3. Select request for scientific use files.
4. Fill in the application form data (form's elements) including: Applicant's information, Project information, Requested data information, Upload manager approval form, and Upload the signed form by the manager.
5. Submit the request after completing the form by clicking on (Submit), where a message appears above the request that the submission has been completed.

Target audience  
Government sector, private sector

Service duration  
3 Days

Service channels  
online portal

Languages  
English - Arabic

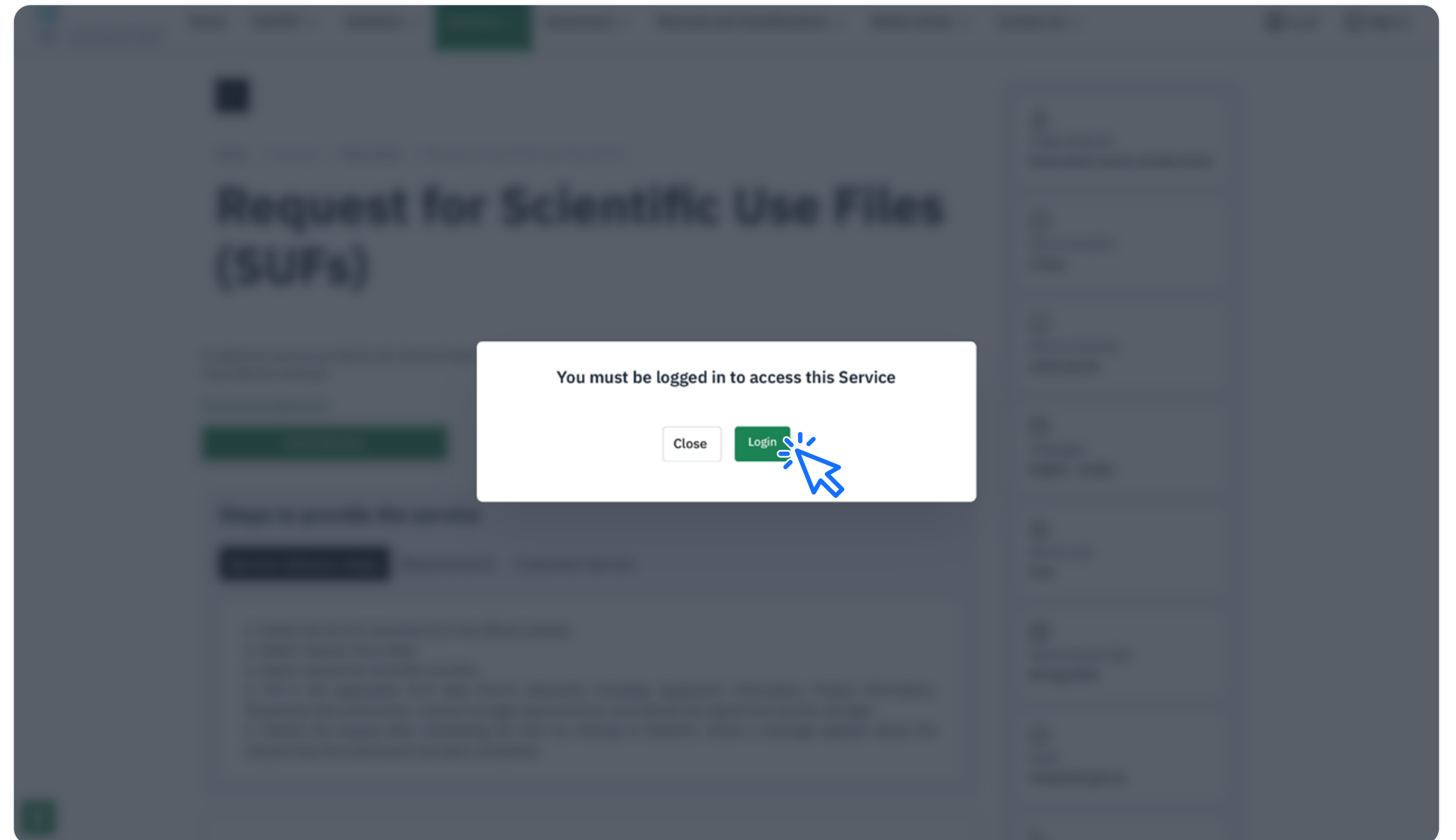
Service cost  
Free

Service launch date  
09 Aug 2019

Email  
info@stats.gov.sa

# Steps to request Scientific Use Files (SUFS):

- Log in or create an account.



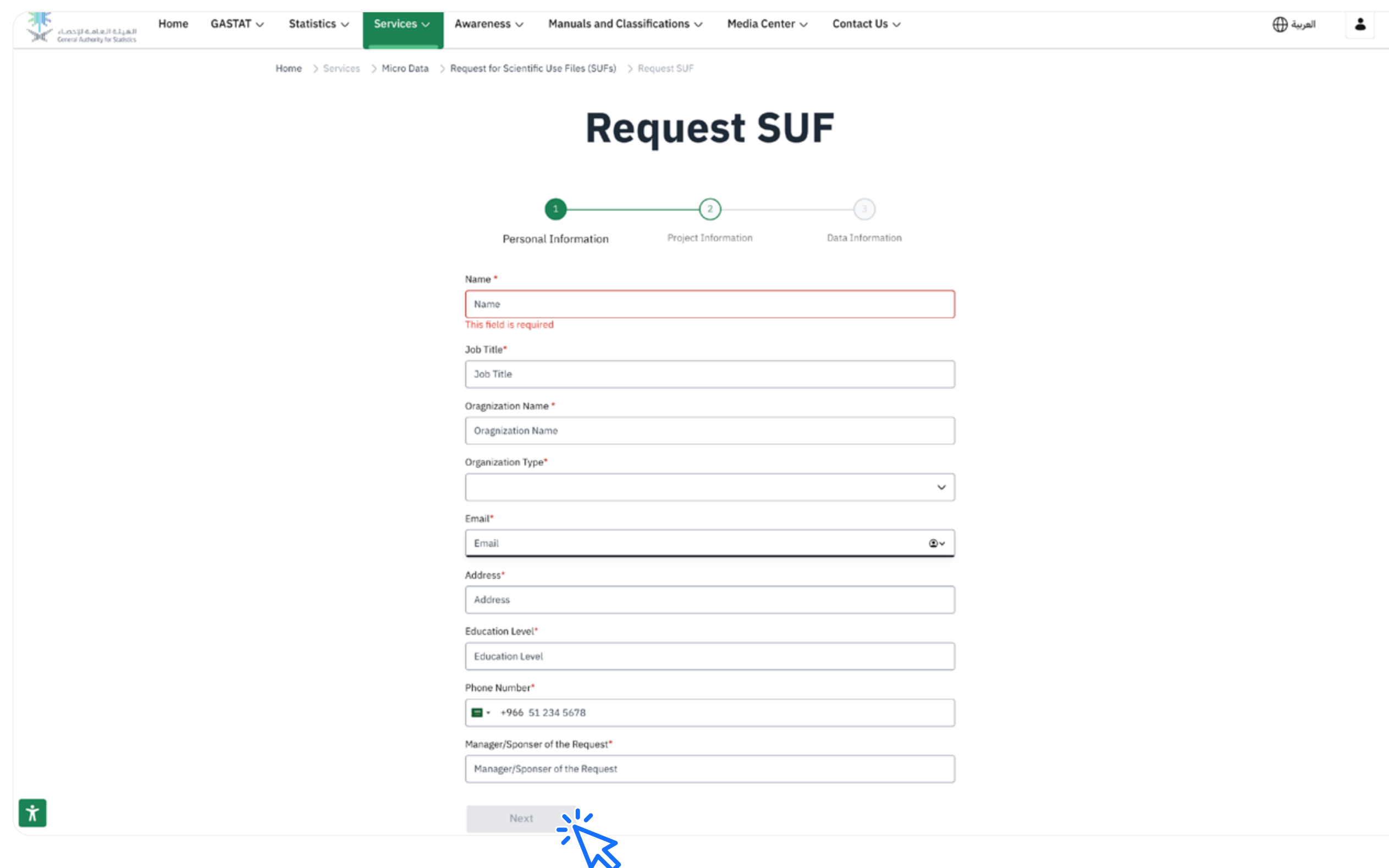
# Steps to request Scientific Use Files (SUFS):

- **Fill in the required information:**

- **Requester information:**

- Name.
- Job Title.
- Organization Name.
- Organization Type.
- Email.
- Address.
- Education Level.
- Phone Number.
- Manager/Sponser of the Request.

- **After completing the form, click Next.**



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## Request SUF

1 Personal Information 2 Project Information 3 Data Information

Name\*  
Name  
This field is required

Job Title\*  
Job Title

Organization Name\*  
Organization Name

Organization Type\*  
Organization Type

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Address\*  
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Education Level\*  
Education Level

Phone Number\*  
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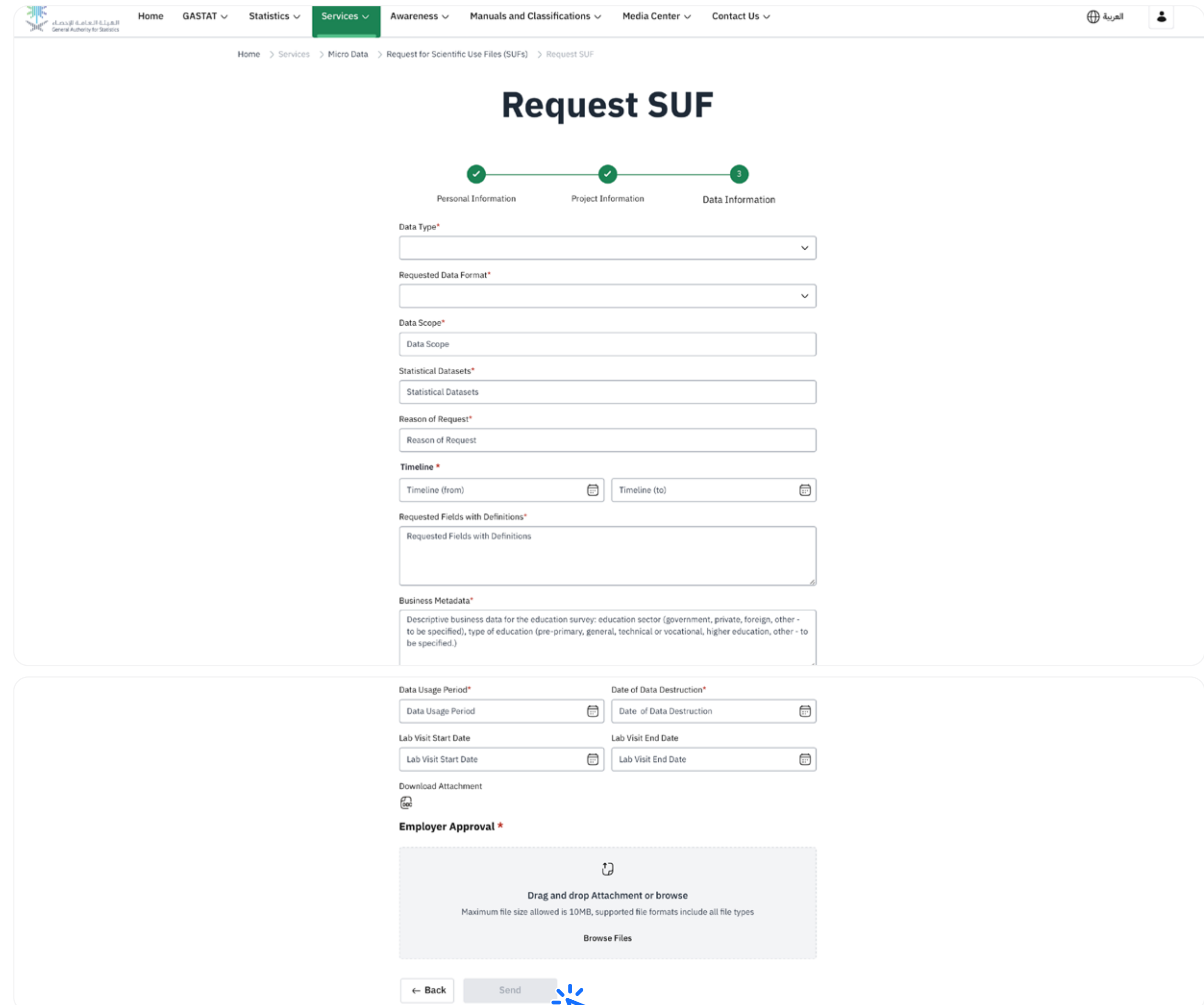
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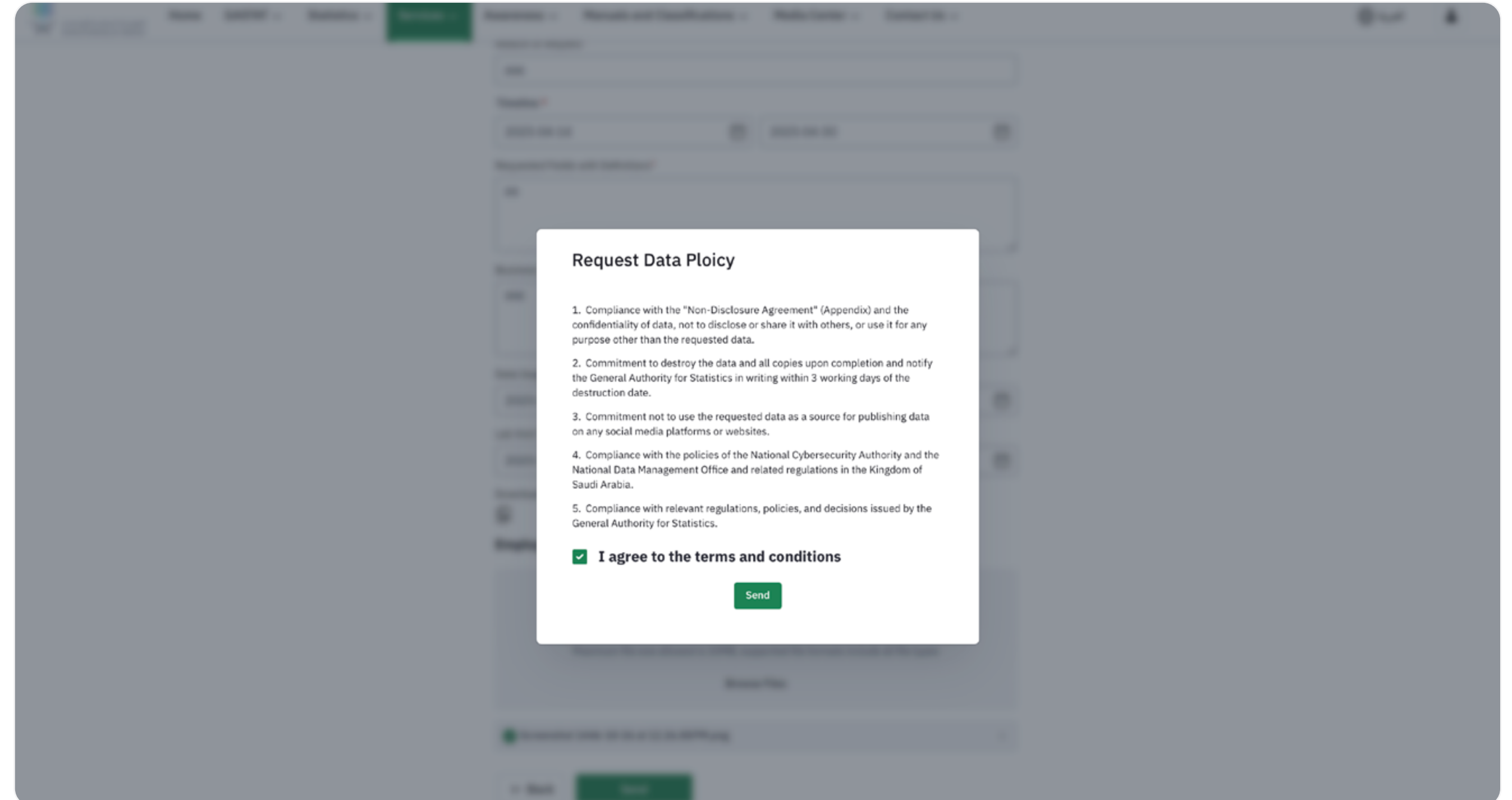
# Steps to request Scientific Use Files (SUFS):

- **Fill in the required information:**
  - Requested data details:
    - Project Title.
    - Summary.
    - Objective.
    - Research Methodology.
    - Research Proposal.
- **Download the manger approval form.**
- **Upload the signed approval form**
  
- **After completing the form, click Send.**



# Steps to request Scientific Use Files (SUFS):

- Accept the terms and conditions, then submit the request.





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