



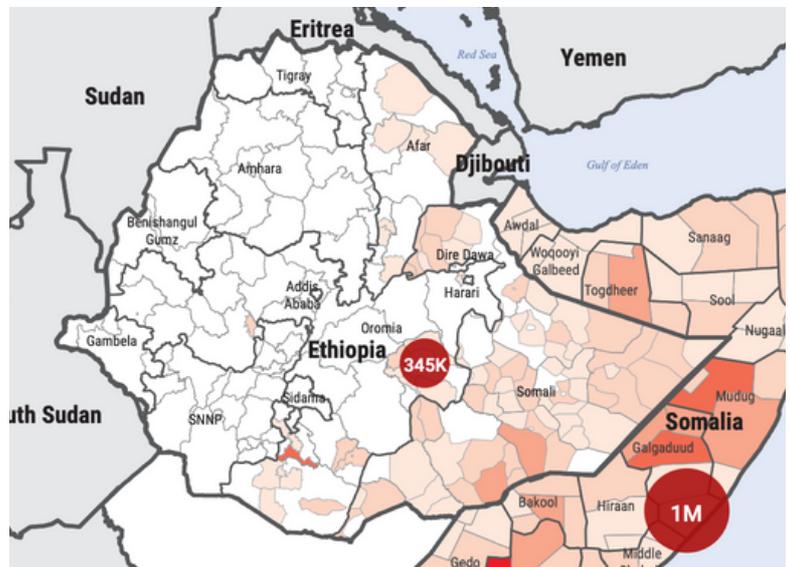
# UNFPA ETHIOPIA HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

## SITUATION REPORT - OCTOBER 2022

### SITUATION OVERVIEW

Ethiopia continues to face increased humanitarian needs due to conflict and displacement, climatic shocks including the severe drought, and disease outbreaks such as the COVID-19 pandemic. Nearly 20 million people need humanitarian assistance. More than 2.7 million people have been internally displaced across the country, according to the IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix (#30). Conflict and displacement in the north have left more than 9 million people in need in Afar, Amhara and Tigray regions, and severe drought is affecting millions more in the south.

Climate-related shocks continue to devastate the lives and livelihoods of nearly 17 million pastoralists and agro-pastoralist families in the northeastern, southern and southeastern regions of Ethiopia – Somali, Oromia, Afar and Southern Nations, Nationalities and Peoples’ (SNNP) regions. The reduced availability of food, water and pasture have triggered internal displacement and deepened food insecurity, exacerbating health and protection risks. **In Somali and Oromia regions**, a cholera outbreak remains active in 23 kebeles of Bale Zone (Oromia) and 9 kebeles of Liban zone, Somali region. So far, 273 cholera cases have been reported including 9 deaths while 114 additional woredas are at risk of an outbreak. These effects, compounded by inter-communal tensions and violence in different parts of the country, continue to erode the capacity of communities to cope with the various shocks.



Map of new drought-induced displacements in Ethiopia. Source: OCHA Ethiopia.

**In Tigray Region**, large numbers of people have been displaced in Central (Adwa, Axum), Eastern (Adigrat, Wukro), and Southern (Korem, Alamata) zones following the hostilities reported at the end of the month. Meanwhile, road convoys to Tigray remain suspended hampering the transportation of essential humanitarian commodities and the rotation of humanitarian staff. In Afar and Amhara regions, the overall security situation has improved slightly allowing humanitarian partners to reach previously inaccessible or hard-to-reach areas with assistance. IDP return movements and secondary displacements have been reported in newly accessible areas although assistance is still scarce with protection and health among the identified main priority intervention areas for the people in need.

[1] IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix #30: <https://dtm.iom.int/>

[2] Ethiopia Drought Response Plan, July-September 2022 (Reviewed) - <https://reliefweb.int/report/ethiopia/ethiopia-drought-response-july-december-2022-revised>

# PROGRAMME UPDATES

## SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH



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Mobile Teams deployed across Afar, Amhara, Sidama and Tigray Regions (October 2022)



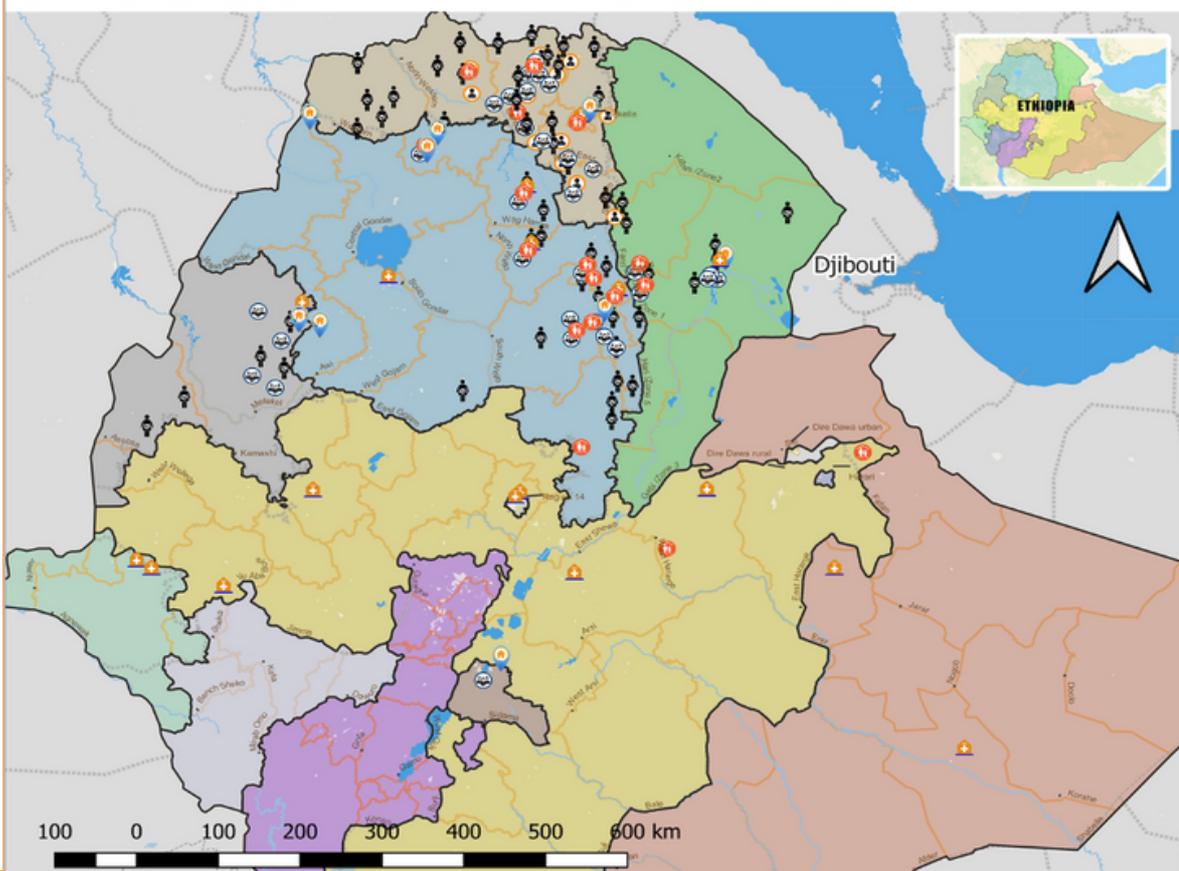
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Midwives and Health Extension Workers (HEWs) deployed in 4 regions (October 2022)

### • Key Achievements

- **24,241 conflict-affected individuals** – Afar (101), Amhara (17,103), Benishangul Gumuz (5,264), and Tigray regions (1,773) – reached with sexual and reproductive health services, including maternal and newborn services, by deployed midwives and health extension workers (HEWs) through multiple partnerships.
- **8,837 pregnant and lactating women (PLW) screened** for acute malnutrition and provided with iron and folic acid supplements – Afar (348), Amhara (1,299), Benishangul Gumuz (459), Somali (354) and Tigray (6,377).
- **14,219 individuals** – Amhara (6,327), Benishangul Gumuz (3,324) and Tigray (4,568) – reached with integrated GBV/SRH awareness creation sessions on STI/HIV prevention and risk mitigation, family planning, birth preparedness, and personal hygiene management by health extension workers deployed across health facilities through multiple strategic partnerships.

## SNAPSHOT OF UNFPA INTERVENTION SITES - 2022



### MAP LEGEND KEYS

	Addis Ababa
	Afar
	Amhara
	Benishangul Gumuz
	Dire Dawa
	Gambela
	Harari
	Oromia
	Sidama
	SNNP
	Somali
	South West Ethiopia
	Tigray
	REGION - ADMIN BOUNDARY 1
	ZONE - ADMIN BOUNDARY 2

### LOCATION CATEGORY

	Location of Health Facilities where Midwives Deployed
	Location of Health Facilities where HEW's Deployed
	One Stop Centers Supported
	Women & Girls Friendly Spaces Established
	Safe Houses Supported
	Locations where Mobile Health and Nutrition Teams Deployed

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### GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE (GBV)



26

Women and Girls' Friendly Spaces (WGFS) established and supported by UNFPA (October 2022)



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One-Stop Centers (OSCs) strengthened with UNFPA's support in northern Ethiopia (October 2022)



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GBV referral pathways developed, functional and disseminated with support from UNFPA (October 2022)

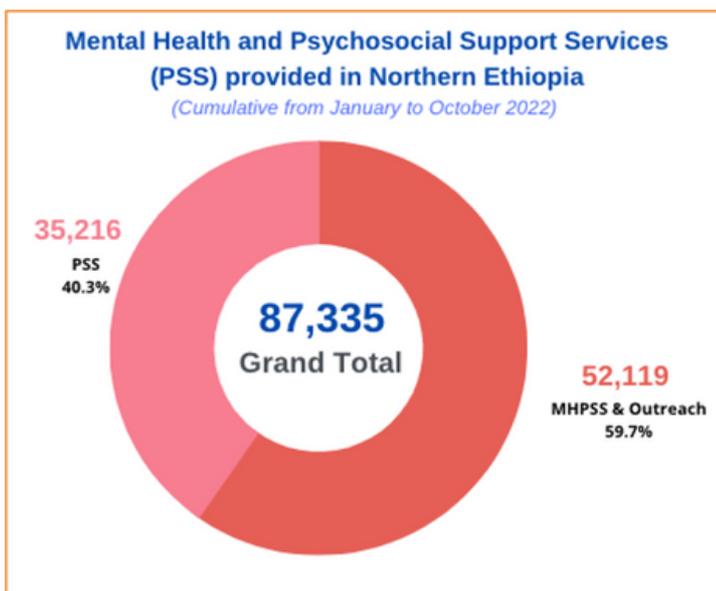


20,000

Dignity Kits dispatched to Oromia and Somali regions to support drought-affected women and girls (October 2022)

#### Key Achievements

- 7,022 women and girls reached with gender-based violence multi-sectoral services and referrals through 26 Women and Girls' Friendly Spaces (WGFS), 10 One-Stop Centers and 7 Safe Houses.
- 17,180 women and girls – Afar (494), Amhara (14,638), Oromia (795) and Tigray (792) Regions – reached with Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) and outreach activities outside of WGFS.
- 123 frontline professionals trained in minimum standards for GBV programming in Emergencies (GBVIE), clinical management of rape and GBV Case Management in Afar (45) and Amhara (78) regions.
- Distributed 3,155 Dignity Kits and 404 packages of sanitary pads to conflict-affected women and girls in Afar (33), Amhara (3,003), and Oromia (523).
- Provided multipurpose cash support to GBV survivors in partnership with World Vision Ethiopia and Food for the Hungry International in Amhara and Tigray regions.



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In the mother-to-mother support groups women can discuss their reproductive health needs, including prevention of Gender-Based Violence. They are critical to reduce home births and thus, maternal and newborn deaths.

says Maryan, a Traditional Birth Attendant from OWDA, UNFPA's partner in Somali region, Ethiopia.

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## PROGRAMME UPDATES

### COORDINATION & PARTNERSHIPS

- Continued to participate in various humanitarian coordination platforms, including the Humanitarian Country Team (HCT), Inter-Cluster Coordination Group (ICCG) and Health and Protection Clusters. We also continued to lead the GBV sub-cluster and SRH Working Groups at the national and sub-national levels.
- By the end of October, nearly USD 18.5 million had been earmarked for 25 Implementing Partners (IPs) supporting operations across northern Ethiopia and other crisis-affected regions in Ethiopia.
- Mobilized a total of USD 20.8 million within the Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus programming from World Bank, Irish Aid, Italy, and other donors for 2023. The resources will be largely used to scale up humanitarian interventions.
- As the GBV AoR lead at the national and regional level, finalized the formation of the GBV AoR Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) as well as developed GBV Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for 2023.
- Followed up discussions with MoWSA on the establishment of GBV Information Management System (IMS) with 13 GBV AoR partners interested in the rolling out country-wide.

### LOGISTICS & OPERATIONS

#### UNFPA Humanitarian Response Supply Distributions in Ethiopia

(Cumulative figures from January to October 2022)



## 131,933

**Dignity Kits and Menstrual Pads**  
Issued to crisis-affected regions in  
**Ethiopia** (From January to October  
2022)



## 1,119

**IARH Kits distributed across**  
**affected regions in Ethiopia**  
(From January to October 2022)



## 3,162

**Medical devices provided to health**  
**facilities across the country to**  
**support maternal and SRH services**  
(From January to September 2022)



## 43,903

**Pieces of Personal Protective**  
**Equipment for COVID-19 prevention**  
(From January to October 2022)

- **Dispatched 20,000 Dignity Kits to be distributed to drought-affected women and girls** in partnership with International Medical Corps (IMC) in Oromia and Organization for Welfare and Development in Action (OWDA) in Somali region.
- **Followed up on the upcoming dispatch of 30 solar lights to health facilities** in Afar and Amhara regions, **9 ambulances, and assorted medical equipment** from several donors to expand SRH-GBV-MHPSS service provision for conflict-affected populations in Afar, Amhara, Benishangul Gumuz, Somali and Tigray regions.

## PROGRAMME UPDATES

### COMMUNICATIONS & ADVOCACY

- Showcased the efforts to advance GBV professional capacity among partners in Amhara and Afar regions with the support of Irish Aid.
- Participated in a field mission to document the partnership with International Medical Corps (IMC) on GBV prevention and response to drought-affected communities in Chinaksen, Oromia Region. Similarly, UNFPA participated in the International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction (IDRR) showcasing our response efforts to climate-related shocks in Ethiopia.
- Followed up on the development of on-site visibility materials for different IPs, including the follow up on capacity-building activities and media engagement to boost the visibility of UNFPA's Response in emergency-affected regions in Ethiopia.

### NORTHERN ETHIOPIA SNAPSHOT

Since the onset of the conflict in northern Ethiopia, UNFPA has reached more than 500K conflict-affected individuals with GBV and SRH services and distributed more than 150K medical supplies and commodities in Afar, Amhara and Tigray regions.

[\[Learn more\]](#)

**UNFPA Response to the Northern Ethiopia Crisis 2 YEAR SNAPSHOT**

**OUR VISION AND STRATEGIES AT A GLANCE:**

UNFPA in Ethiopia aims to achieve the following:

- Reduced maternal deaths and unplanned pregnancies and increased access to clinical care for rape survivors through the delivery of the Minimum Inital Services Package of reproductive health services and information.
- Reduced rates of GBV through prevention actions aimed at sustainably transforming discriminatory gender norms, mitigation of GBV risk through improved security, dignity and mobility of women and girls, and mitigation of the threatening impact and long-term recovery promotion through better quality services by meeting the GBV in Emergencies Minimum Standards, and
- Increased resilience in high-risk locations of the country through reduced humanitarian needs, speedy recovery and more robust local delivery systems that serve women and girls as well as young people and contribute to sustainable development objectives.

**★ OUR MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS**

**1. GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND RESPONSE**

- 111,524 Women and girls reached with GBV services during 2021 and 2022 across northern Ethiopia.
- 87,335 Conflict-affected women and girls reached with mental, health and nutritional support in the 3 regions.
- 10 One-Stop Centers (OSCs) providing comprehensive GBV services supported with furniture, IT equipment, medical supplies and commodities and capacity building activities for frontline service providers in Afar (3), Amhara (3) and Tigray (4).
- UNFPA supports the long-term recovery and healing process of GBV survivors hosted at 7 Safe Houses in Afar (3), Amhara (2) and Tigray (2) regions.
- Established 26 Women and Girls' Friendly Spaces (WGFSS) located at IDP sites to provide comprehensive access to SRH/GBV response services, protection, time-critical information and life skills trainings to conflict-affected women and girls in northern Ethiopia.
- 1,229 GBV service providers have been trained on GBV in emergencies, case management, Clinical Management of Rape (CMR), psychosocial counseling and safe referrals and ethical information management and reporting in northern Ethiopia.

"These services are crucial for survivors' recovery who not only need immediate response but also longer-term solutions, including safety and stability" says a nurse from a UNFPA-supported Safe House.

### FROM THE FIELD

"If she goes back home [to Finaruwa] it's a death sentence," Haftom admits grimly. "Even if the medications and equipment are not complete here [at the hospital], she has a better chance of survival", says Hafton Atsbaha, UNFPA's midwife at Samre Primary Hospital, Tigray.

[\[Read the full story\]](#)



## RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

2022

UNFPA National Humanitarian Response Plan (2022)

- **Funding Required: 30,000,000 USD**
- **Funding Received: 18,000,000 USD**
- **Funding Gap: 12,000,000 USD**

### Our Donors:

Canada  
CERF  
Danish MFA  
Ethiopia Humanitarian Fund  
Iceland  
Ireland  
Japan  
Norway  
Sweden  
USAID

Funding Gap  
40%

Funding Received  
60%

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