

Recovery Support for Communities Affected by Gedeo-West Guji Displacement

In May 2019 the Ethiopian government started to repatriate internally displaced populations who had fled intercommunal attacks in 2018 that had led to the displacement of over a million people in Gedo and West Guji. The displaced population was reported to have lost livestock and other assets when they fled with at least 9,000 houses said to have been fully or partially damaged during this time of conflict.

This four-year project (2019-2022) seeks to complement humanitarian assistance by supporting IDPs and local communities as per UNDP's global 3x6 approach that builds resilience in post-crisis situation for vulnerable groups through introducing sustainable livelihoods. Traditionally livelihoods in the area have predominantly rested on subsistence farming and this vulnerable sector has been severely impacted by the conflict and displacements.

The project will target 50,000 households in heavily impacted areas of Oromia region, West Guji Zone, Kercha and HamelaWamena Woredas; and SNNP Region, Gedeo Zone, Gedeb and Yirgachefe woredas.

The project seeks to contribute towards these key outputs

- Restore social cohesion and peaceful co-existence between communities: The project will help to facilitate inter-communal dialogue sessions, enhance the use of indigenous conflict resolution mechanisms and rebuild trust and communal cohesion. Emphasis will also be placed on ensuring an inclusive and participatory approach to all the planning and implementation of community projects that will involve both returnees and the rest of the population.
- Support rehabilitation of infrastructure and basic services: The project will support the reconstruction of homes for the most vulnerable as well as rebuilding essential basic infrastructure such as education and health posts as well as. At the same time farming in the community will be strengthened by providing farmers with seeds and fertilisers.
- Increase opportunities for economic and income generating capacity particularly of the youth and women returnees: The project will target youth and women to provide them with skills and entrepreneurship training to help them set up mirco enterprises particularly in the agribusinesses sector.
- Improve food security and livelihoods for returnee population: The project will help build the community's resilience to climate change by introducing them to innovative climate-smart agriculture and livestock management techniques to the community. Returnees will also be provided with agriculture inputs as well as helped to restock their livestock. The project will also help the community to expand their source of livelihood and improve value chain and market access.





Total budget required:

USD 20 million for 4 years

Funding

- Government of Denmark USD 1.5 million
- Government of Japan USD 1 million
- UNDP core resources USD 150,000

Implementing Partners

- National Disaster Risk Management Commission
- Oromia Disaster Prevention and Preparedness
 Commission
- SNNPR Disaster Prevention and Food Security Coordination Office

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