

Ethiopia - Situation Report



Country
Ethiopia

Year
2019

Month
January

Key Messages

- Deyr/Hagaya seasonal rainfall: According to the Famine Early Warning Systems Network (FEWS NET), below-average October-to-December deyr rains in southern Ethiopia has reduced the availability of water and pasture and slowed the recovery of some herders. As a result, vulnerable populations in pastoral areas are expected to experience Crisis—IPC 3—levels of acute food insecurity through May.
- Weather forecast: Dry and sunny weather conditions prevail, but vegetation conditions remain greener-than average across most parts of the country due to atypical late November/early December rainfall. In the southern and south-eastern lowlands regions, however, rangeland resources are poor as evidenced by below-average vegetation conditions. Rangeland resources are expected to decline rapidly in the coming weeks in the north-eastern regions of Ethiopia, driven by a forecast of significantly hotter-than-normal conditions
- Population displacement: As of January, there were approximately 2.9 million IDPs in Ethiopia, according to the UN. More than 2.4 million IDPs identified conflict as the primary cause of displacement while approximately 500,000 IDPs identified climate-induced events, such as drought and flooding, as the primary driver.
- Refugees in Ethiopia to exercise more rights: The House of Peoples' Representatives of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia on Tuesday (15 January 2019) passed a law that allows refugees in Ethiopia to exercise more rights. The law allows refugees to move out of the camps, attend regular schools and to travel and work across the country.
- An estimated 36 million of a total population of 41 million children under the age of 18 in Ethiopia are multi-dimensionally poor, meaning they are deprived of basic goods and services in at least three dimensions.

Estimated number of people in need



Gaps and needs

- The projection for 2019 response need is estimated to be similar to last year because of the complex context in the country caused by drought and internal displacement. Recent hot spot classification of areas or districts is similar to that of 2018. Though, the new plan for the response is not yet released for 2019, there will be huge gap in funding.
- World Vision Ethiopia at the close of the 2018 response operations has a gap of US \$ 4,420,069.

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What World Vision is doing



Food Security and Livelihoods

- A project called “Emergency Agriculture Interventions for Returnees/IDPs in four Woredas of Gedeo and West Guji” funded by UNOCHA/HRF was launched. The project will reach 17,700 returnees in four woredas.



Water, sanitation & hygiene

- 9,278 people participated in a hygiene and sanitation campaign conducted at Kochere Woreda.
- Distribution of WASH NFI: 108 women and 12 girls benefited from the distribution of sanitary pads in Melka Bello Woreda.



Nutrition

- Training: 62 health workers were trained on Maternal, Infant and young child feeding. 7 newly recruited health workers were trained on SAM management in Habro woreda.
- 995 pregnant and lactating women and 1,439 children benefited from targeted feeding.



Health

- Medicines and supplies purchased: Essential medicines and medical supplies worth of more than \$25,000 have been purchased through ECHO project funding and will benefit more than 7,763 children under five years of age.



Education

- A new project has been launched targeting children in emergencies and will benefit 3,000 internally displaced children in West Guji.



Food assistance

- Food distribution: A total of 76,870 beneficiaries from Gedeo and West Guji zones received food through General Food Distribution.



Protection

- A project called Enhanced Protection for Vulnerable Children and Women in West Guji zone through strengthened community-based structures, functional multi-purpose Children and Women Friendly spaces, and access to basic services has launched.

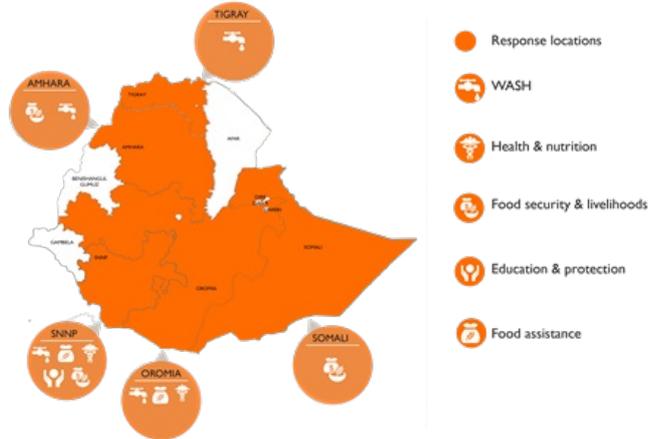
Gaps and funding requirements

World Vision Ethiopia is requesting **US\$ 37,263,504** to expand its response activities. So far, it has received **US\$ 32,843,435** and is requesting an additional **US\$ 4,420,069** to close the gap and reach more people in need.

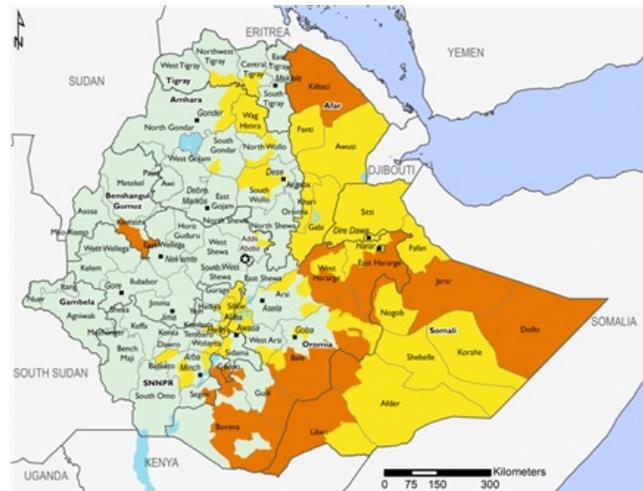
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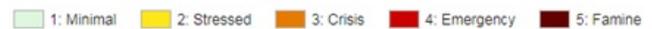
Response locations



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IPC 2.0 Acute Food Insecurity Phase



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