

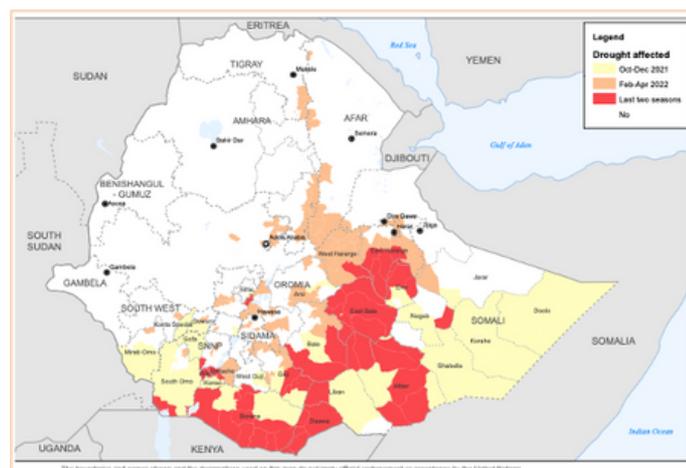


UNFPA ETHIOPIA HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

SITUATION REPORT - AUGUST 2022

SITUATION OVERVIEW

According to the latest Humanitarian Response Plan, **more than 20 million people are estimated to be in need of humanitarian assistance in the country** - including nearly 5.5 internally displaced people and 18 million non-displaced affected people - as a result of internal conflict, displacement and recurrent natural hazards. Consecutive years of drought and a fifth consecutive below-average rainfall continue to disrupt the fragile livelihoods of hundreds of thousands of pastoralist and agro-pastoralist families across Somali, Oromia, SNNP and South-West regions. Similarly, **flooding and landslides incidents have caused the displacement of 292,863 people in Afar, Oromia, Gambella, Somali and Amhara regions**, according to the National Disaster Risk Management Commission (NDRMC).



Map of planned humanitarian response - Humanitarian Response Plan 2022 (OCHA).

After five months of a 'humanitarian truce', renewed fighting between the Federal Government and Tigrayan forces erupted around Kobo town in Amhara, parts of southern **Tigray**, and border areas of Fanti (Zone 4), in Afar region. Humanitarian convoys have been suspended as well as the UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS), affecting the movement of supplies, staff and operational cash. Due to insecurity and access constraints, updated displacement figures and humanitarian needs are unknown at the closure of this report. **In Afar and Amhara regions**, the humanitarian situation continues to deteriorate due to the combined effects of climate shocks, conflict and displacement, coupled with limited presence and capacity of partners to provide adequate assistance to IDPs and returnees[1]. In western Ethiopia, active hostilities in Benishangul Gumuz, Oromia and SNNP regions have caused new displacements, damage to infrastructure and basic services, increasing protection risks and insecurity-related access constraints to the people in need[2].

The humanitarian situation continues to worsen in **drought-affected areas with more than 8 million people affected scattered across 23 zones and 84 woredas in the southern and south-eastern parts of the country**. The number of IDPs has been increasing as the drought is intensified in the regions with 162,610 people in Oromia, 413,004 in Somali and 6,338 in Afar region were displaced due to the drought (IOM DTM April 2022). In some parts of the drought-affected areas, access to people in need by humanitarian organizations has become increasingly difficult due to renewed security concerns and violence.

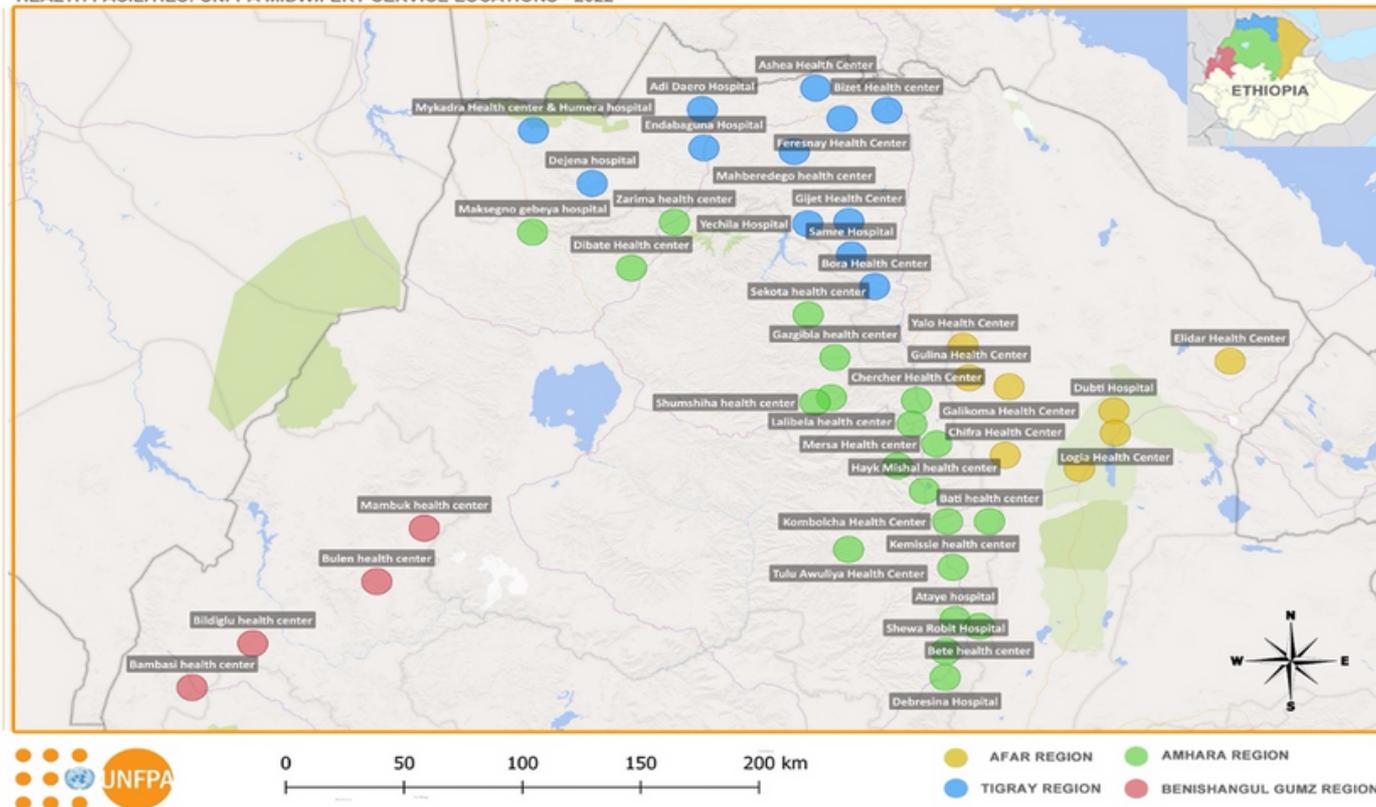
[1] OCHA Ethiopia Situation Report (5 August 2022): <file:///Users/paulafernandezsejo/Downloads/Situation%20Report%20-%20-%20Ethiopia%20-%20-%202022%20Jul%202022.pdf>

[2] ACAPS, Crisis Updates Ethiopia (3 August 2022): <https://www.acaps.org/country/ethiopia/crisis/complex-crisis>

PROGRAMME UPDATES

SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

HEALTH FACILITIES: UNFPA MIDWIFERY SERVICE LOCATIONS - 2022



• Key Achievements

- **66,550 conflict-affected individuals reached with midwifery services** by deployed midwives and health extension workers (HEWs) in partnership with the Ethiopian Midwives Association (EMWA), Marie Stopes International (MSI) and Maedot in Afar (2,505), Amhara (51,435), Benishangul Gumuz (2,284), Somali (76) and Tigray (10,250) regions.
- **16,081 individuals 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 in Afar (1,318), Amhara (2,907), Benishangul Gumuz (670), Somali (112) and Tigray (11,064) in partnership with EMwA, MSI, Amhara Women Association (AWA) and the Organization for Social Services, Health and Development (OSSHD).
- **Trained 20 health service providers in partnership with OWDA** and regional authorities in the Minimum Initial Service Package (MISP) in Somali Region.
- **Distributed 138 Interagency Reproductive Health (IARH) Kits** to Amhara (99), Benishangul Gumuz (13) and Tigray (26) in partnership with Ethiopian Midwives Association (EMwA), Maedot and ASDEPO to support the provision of emergency reproductive health services across conflict-affected areas in Ethiopia.



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Emergency Reproductive Health Kits across crisis-affected regions from January to August 2022



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Health facilities supported by 91 deployed Midwives and Health Extension Workers (HEWs) in 4 regions (August 2022)

PROGRAMME UPDATES

GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE (GBV)



11,827

Women and girls reached with Women and Girls' Friendly Space (WGFS) services (August 2022)



110

Frontline service providers trained in GBV Case Management and PSS (August 2022)



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

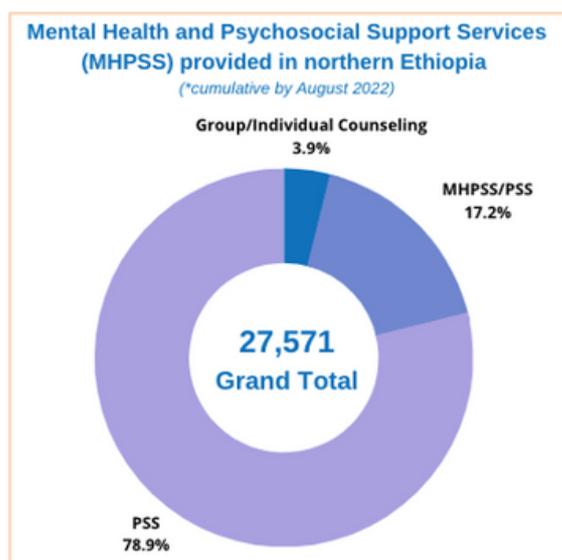


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One-Stop Centers (OSCs) strengthened with UNFPA's support in 7 regions in Ethiopia (August 2022)

• Key Achievements

- **11,827 women and girls reached with gender-based violence services and referrals** to multi-sectoral services through 28 Women and Girls' Friendly Spaces, 21 One-Stop Centers and 6 Safe Houses.
- **110 frontline professionals trained in GBV** Case Management (48) and psychosocial support (62) in Amhara region.
- **Supported 15,883 displaced individuals with individual and group counseling, MHPSS and Psychological First Aid** at IDP camps in partnership with Food for the Hungry International, Amhara Women Association, OSSHD and World Vision Ethiopia during August 2022.
- **Distributed 510 Dignity Kits and 2,556 sanitary pads** to conflict-affected women and girls in Afar, Amhara and Tigray regions in partnership with World Vision, Food for the Hungry Ethiopia and IOM.
- **Provided multipurpose cash support to GBV survivors** in partnership with World Vision Ethiopia and Food for the Hungry International in Amhara and Tigray regions.



COORDINATION & PARTNERSHIPS

UNFPA has:

- Continued to participate in various humanitarian coordination platforms, including in the Humanitarian Country Team (HCT), Inter-Cluster Coordination Group (ICCG) and Health and Protection Clusters. UNFPA also continues to lead the GBV sub-cluster and SRH Working Groups at the national and sub-national levels.
- By the end of August, nearly 17 million USD had been earmarked for 21 Implementing Partners (IPs) operating across northern Ethiopia and other crisis-affected regions in Ethiopia.

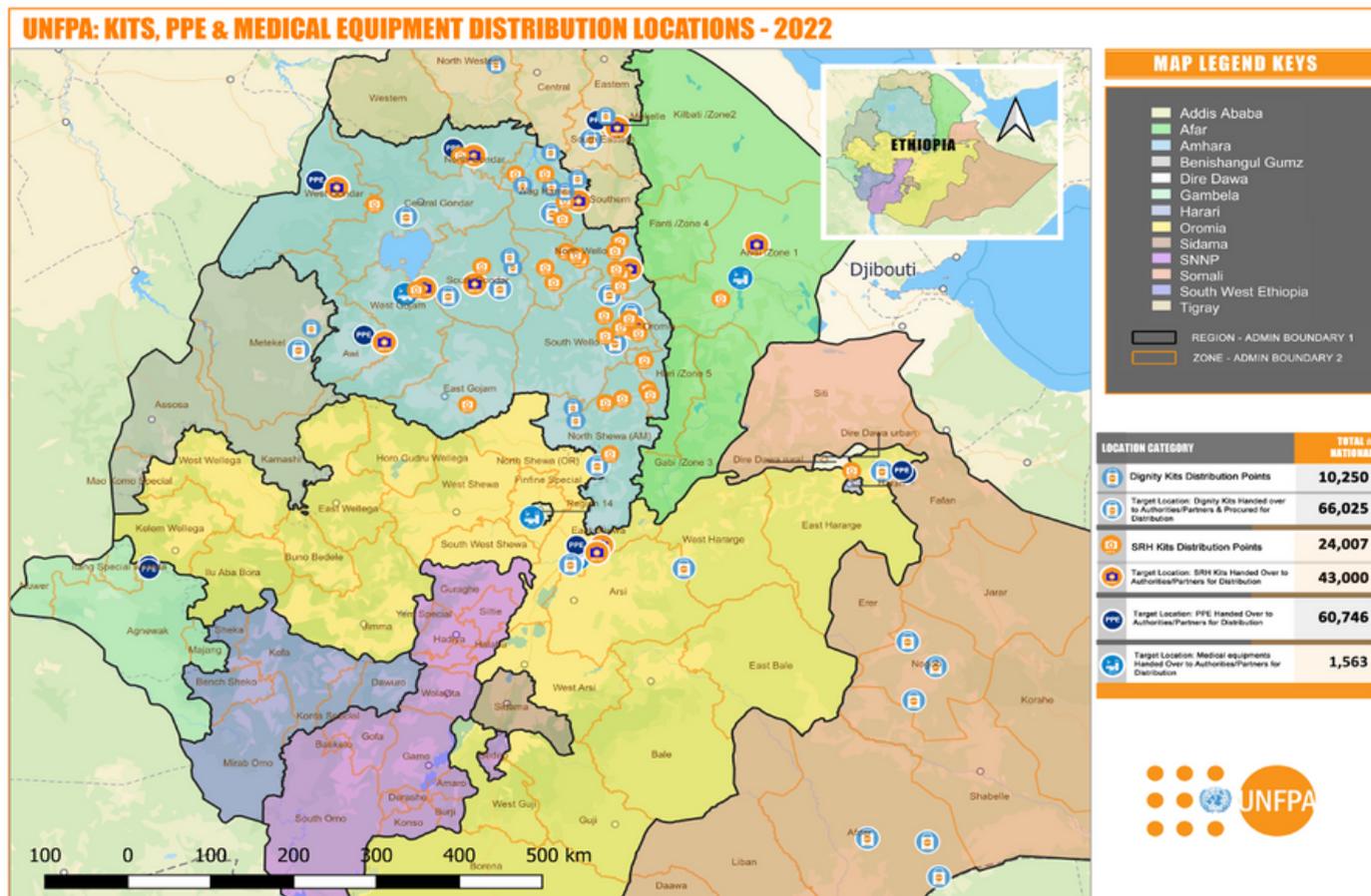
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COORDINATION & PARTNERSHIPS

- Continued support to the implementation of the **UN Joint Operational Plan for GBV prevention and response in Afar, Amhara and Tigray Regions** jointly with UNHCR, WFP, UNICEF, UNDP and UN Women.
- As the GBV AoR lead at the national and regional level**, presented at the Ethiopia HINGO Forum the progress made to date on strengthening GBV response, GBV mainstreaming across clusters and sectors, and fostering GBV AoR coordination. support was given for the strengthening of GBV Coordination tools and mechanisms at regional level, presented GBV AoR Strategy for the last semester of 2022 as well as developed a GBV AoR Flood Response Plan.
- Coordinated with the Regional AOR teams in Tigray, Afar and Amhara the development of a **Contingency plan due to the resumption of hostilities**, involving response capacity and defining minimum response actions.

LOGISTICS & OPERATIONS

- Transferred 4 million ETB into Tigray to sustain critical GBV and SRH humanitarian interventions across the region before the UNHAS airlift services were suspended due to insecurity reasons at the end of August 2022.
- Brought on-board an international Humanitarian Analyst to support strengthen the humanitarian response coordination across drought-affected regions and northern Ethiopia.
- Followed up on additional procurement requests of nearly 1,000 IARH Kits, 9 ambulances and medical equipment and supplies from several donors to expand SRH-GBV-MHPSS service provision for conflict-affected populations in Afar, Amhara, Benishangul Gumuz, Somali and Tigray regions.



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COMMUNICATIONS & ADVOCACY

- Continued to support inter-agency collaboration in communication and advocacy efforts through regular participation in the UNCT Communication Working Group to scale up joint communication and advocacy efforts across Ethiopia.
- Supported the official handover ceremony of 3 ambulances and medical supplies to the Amhara and Benishangul Gumuz Regional Health Bureaus with the presence of her H.E. Kira Smith, Royal Danish Ambassador in Ethiopia.
- Advocated on the need to increase support for family planning in conflict-affected communities in northern Ethiopia.
- Followed up on media requests to showcase maternal health and menstrual health management interventions in different crisis-affected regions.



DONOR MINUTES

"Emergency ambulance services are integral to providing a service for those with urgent and life-threatening health conditions", says **H.E Kira Smith Sindbjerg**, Ambassador of the Royal Danish Embassy to Ethiopia.

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

FROM THE FIELD

"In this difficult situation, family planning will help me take care of my own health and safety and better care for my baby and family" says Nigiste, 21, mother of a three month old son at Kulch-Meda Internally Displaced Persons (IDP) camp in *Debark, Amhara*.

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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
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Funding Gap
40%

Funding Received
60%

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