



ETHIOPIA

ASSURANCE PROJECT UPDATE

October 2023



World Food Programme

SAVING LIVES
CHANGING LIVES

CP staff verifying beneficiary information during the distribution using the new biometric verification system.

AGENDA

- ✓ Refugee Operations Resumed
- ✓ Key Monitoring Findings
- ✓ Assurance Project Update
- ✓ AOB



WFP'S ASSURANCE PROJECT MILESTONES

2023

11 SEPTEMBER
Targeting and registration began in Afar and Somali regions

5 October
Test distribution Cycle 1 in Tigray concluded

31 JULY
Test distribution (Productive Safety Net Programme (PSNP)) began in Tigray, in priority *woredas*

19 SEPTEMBER
Targeting and digital registration began in Amhara

6 October
Refugee Response resumed



REFUGEE RESPONSE RESUMPTION



OVERVIEW

- 900,000 refugees in 29 camps in 7 regions
- Camp sensitization and risks mitigations
- Distribution Started on 6 October
- Food and cash assistance being provided sequentially



SEQUENTIAL COMMENCEMENT

- 6 –13 October: 10 camps in 3 regions
- 14 - 20 October: 14 camps in 7 regions
- 21- 27 October: 5 camps in 3 regions

PRODUCTIVE SAFETY NET THIRD PARTY MONITORING (Cycle 1 trial)

Achievements	Area of Improvements
Improved targeting and registration identified most in need, with 88 percent respondents reported committees were inclusive.	Some exclusion Grievances; Limited coordination among various committees.
No theft/diversion reported; and distribution points are safe and accessible.	Some instances of incomplete documentation at FDPs.
Good quality wheat.	Insufficient quantity of food rations.
Accessible Community Feedback and Response Mechanisms.	Mixed effectiveness with resolving complaints on time.
Effective Humanitarian Cluster coordination	Uneven engagement in some instances
Moderate impact on local environment and health.	Limited Environmental/Social Awareness



Will be incorporated into WFP trials following ongoing WFP testing

QUOTE FROM THE REPORT

“Few households were excluded from the assistance who fulfilled the eligibility criteria, except some who were not present at the time of registration.... (however) the process is the fairest I have experienced in the past 30 years (which were previously very corrupt). This assistance is much more in favor of women and gives priority to women headed households....”

*– Female Respondent, SouthernZone,
Raya Azebo Woreda, Adi-Methan FDP*

ASSURANCE PROJECT ELEMENTS



**New
SOP/MoU with
segregated roles**



**Expansion of
GPS Tracking**



**LESS Last Mile
Solution**



**Bag Marking
Solution**



**Warehouses
Takeover**



**NGOs & CP
Management**



**Digitized/
Biometrically
Verified Beneficiary
Identity
Management**



**Community
Feedback and
Response
Mechanisms**



**Monitoring &
Reporting**

A large group of people, mostly women wearing headscarves, are sitting on the ground in a grassy field. They are gathered under the shade of a massive, ancient-looking tree with thick, gnarled branches. In the center of the group, a man stands with his back to the camera, wearing a white polo shirt with a logo and the text "World Food Programme" on the back. The background shows a vast, open landscape with more trees and hills in the distance. The entire image has a semi-transparent purple and blue gradient overlay.

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