

EC Partners

- International Committee for the Development of Peoples (CISP)
- East Harrarghe Zonal and Woreda* Administration
- Oromia Disaster Prevention and Preparedness Commission

Facts and Figures

- **EC contribution:**
€ 4 336 243
- The EC also allocated **19 113** metric tones of food items
- **30 000** beneficiaries



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* Woreda is an administrative ward of Ethiopia, equivalent to a district

** 1 Euro = 12,97 Ethiopian Birr

Food security

Food security and livelihood recovery in Eastern Harrarghe zone of Oromia regional state of Ethiopia

*"...the project supported us seed worth about 17,500 birr** and farm tools valued at 5,000 birr. In return, we have produced and supplied more than 960 quintals of vegetable to the market, which is estimated at more than 100,000 birr".*

Ato Mohamed,
one of the beneficiaries



Context

Eastern Harrarghe in Ethiopia is a typical example of the country as a whole in terms of vulnerability. Most of the population lives on degraded land with unreliable rainfall. The majority of the rural population lives in poor socio-economic conditions with inadequate access to basic services and infrastructure. They are almost totally dependant on rain-fed agriculture for their incomes. In Eastern Harrarghe zone of Oromia regional state, CISP has been implementing a series of relief, rehabilitation and development programmes through funds secured mainly from the EU.

The specific programmes financed by the EU in the zone include:

- rehabilitation and extension of water points in Gursum;
- community based water supply for enhanced health status in Gursum and Babile;
- promotion of food security and economic development in Babile;
- employment generation schemes and construction of relief food outlets;
- integrated food security programmes.

Objective

Contribute to long-term self-reliance and sustainable development in the intervention areas. It is expected that the project activities undertaken under the integrated food security programmes will be consolidated and will contribute to reduce structural as well as transitory food insecurity of the target communities.

Impact: What has been achieved?

- the project enhanced the beneficiaries' household income;
- there is an increased vegetable production and productivity;
- the project improved the capacity of target beneficiaries, local communities and government partners to manage effectively and sustainably the project interventions. Thus, computers and refreshment training on environmental health for sanitarians working in the intervention woredas have been provided. Vehicles for the Zonal Disaster Prevention and Preparedness Department have been provided to strengthen its early warning systems and disaster management capacities;
- training & support on off-the-shelf project preparation for experts for effective DP&M, and other capacity building activities on goat credit, irrigation development, etc.