



Project Highlights

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“Livelihood recovery for flood-affected communities in Amhara National Regional State”

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Implementation: 01/10/10 – 30/06/11

Target areas: Gambella Regional State.

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Objective:

To ensure the quick livelihood recovery of flood affected communities in Wanthwa, Jikawo, Akobo and Lare *woredas*.

Key partners:

Gambella Regional Bureau of Agriculture Development (RBAD), Gambella Agriculture Research Institute and other local government offices.

Beneficiaries reached:

14 826 households through the seed component.

Activities implemented:

- Distribution of 2 242 *quintals* of cereal (maize and sorghum) seeds to 10 851 households, 1 952 kg of vegetable seeds to 6 954 households, 22 292 farm tools (watering cans, hoes, etc.) and 400 treadle pumps.
- Training in use and maintenance of treadle pumps (151 development agents, experts and farmers), flood mitigation and vulnerability mapping (30 *woreda* and RBAD experts), small-scale irrigation and water management (22 *woreda* and RBAD extension staff, conservation agriculture (30 experts), integrated pest management and post-harvest handling (30 trainees), disaster risk reduction and early warning (25 local government staff) and animal health (235 farmers and animal health workers).
- 167 669 animals belonging to 23 640 households vaccinated against disease.
- Assessment mission conducted to determine the extent and magnitude of flooding and develop solutions to mitigate risk to lives and livelihoods.

Results:

- 163 360 *quintals* of cereal and over 43 000 *quintals* of vegetables harvested.
- Assessment team identified flood mitigation measures, i.e. to protect villages with soil embankments, etc.
- Capacity developed in the region for animal health, irrigation, conservation agriculture, disaster risk reduction and flood mitigation.
- Livestock protected against common diseases.