



Project Highlights ETHIOPIA

“Livelihoods-based flood emergency response in Afar Regional State, Ethiopia”

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Target areas: Ethiopia

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Objective: To protect livelihood assets and speed up the recovery of flood-affected vulnerable pastoral and agropastoral households through livestock and crop interventions.

Key partners: Afar Regional Pastoral, Agricultural and Rural Development Bureau (PARDB) and its four *woreda* branch offices, and the Werer Agriculture Research Centre.

Beneficiaries reached: 950 agropastoral households (4 883 people), *woreda* PARDB staff and extension workers.

Activities implemented:

- 2 783 m of canals rehabilitated in irrigation schemes in Adaar, Awash Fentale, Gewane and Mille *woredas*.
- 798 m³ of gabion works were carried out at two of the irrigation schemes.
- 2 canal intakes were rehabilitated.
- 2 canal crossings were repaired.
- 115 m of canals were de-silted in Intiadoyta irrigation scheme (Gewane *woreda*).
- 320 irrigation water users and 26 *woreda* extension staff were trained in irrigation water management (including operating and maintaining irrigation systems, efficient water use, and crop and forage production).
- Beneficiaries used their own labour to carry out the construction works, while the *woredas* provided gabions from their budgets and the PARDB purchased pumps.

Results:

- 95 ha of a planned 350 ha has already been planted with irrigated crops.
- The project helped to rehabilitate irrigation schemes that were damaged by floods in 2010, enabling 950 vulnerable agropastoral households to resume irrigated crop production.