

EFSRA NEWSLETTER*

Loan Provisions and Repayments

During the time stretching from 1st of April to 30th June 2004, grain amounting to 135,632.22 MT was provided on loan to various organizations working in relief & development activities.

Major borrowers were WFP, CRS and DPPC. The amount provided on loan to these organizations was 47,329 MT, 64,972.82 MT and 15,000 MT respectively.

On the other hand, a total of 48,386.44 MT grain was repaid back by DPPC, CRS and SSD, during the same period.

Loan Provision stretching from 1st of April-30th of June

Organization	Guarantor	Loan approved in MT
WFP	WFP	47,329
DPPC	EU	15,000
CRS	USAID	64,972.82
REST	USAID	7,220
TBWRD	CIDA	1,110.4
Total		135,632.22

Loan Repayment stretching from 1st of April- 30th of June

Organization	Guarantor	Loan Repayment in MT
DPPC	EU	213
CRS	USAID	47,844.26
SSD	CFGB	249.18
Total		48,306.44

Staff Training Highlight

Different types of trainings have been provided for a total of 46 EFSRA staff working at the head office and warehouse offices during the 1996 Ethiopian Fiscal Year.

The trainings provided are Leadership skill and Customer service for non-business sector given for two staff drawn from the Head Office, Supervisory management and Store management provided for six staff, drawn from warehouse branch offices at the Ethiopian Management Institute.

Apart from the above trainings, 6 staff from various Departments at the head office had also attended trainings on computer application programs at The Grace Computer Service. On the other hand 32 staff selected from the head office and branch offices have attended a three day seminar on result oriented Performance Evaluation at the Head Office.

This training was given by experts from the Ministry of Capacity Building.

These trainings were provided to the staff in order to promote their performances.

CARE Complaints Unfounded !

The EFSRA is established to manage and administer food and non-food relief items reserve and releases the items in the form of loan to DPPC and NGOs engaged in relief and development activities.

One of the major responsibilities of EFSRA is to undertake quality control activities on incoming and outgoing relief grain. This major task curtails / minimizes the food and non-food relief items, which do not comply to the set quality standards from gaining acceptance in pursuant loan provision and repayment transactions.

Recently, CARE, one of the active working partners of the EFSRA, had aired up its complaints for the presence of a substandard grain at EFSRA Nazareth warehouse at one of the Food Aid Task Force Meeting which was chaired by DPPC.

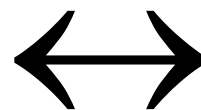
A team comprising of all members of the Technical Committee of the EFSR had on May 17th, 2004 visited the Nazareth EFSRA warehouses both at the DPPC and EGTE compounds to asses the situation at the ground. A physical analysis of the sample drawn from warehouse No. 19 (where CARE /CRS had reportedly withdrawn the spoiled food grain) was undertaken by the EFSRA technicians in the presence of the TC members and the quality of the grain was analyzed.

The result of the physical quality analysis indicated that the purity (sound grain) of the sample was 97.25 % , where by an expert within the Team had briefed the team that any grain

consisting of over 92 % sound grain is considered to be grade 1 as per the standards of ISO and the Ethiopian Quality and Standards Authority.

The TC members had consequently been able to acknowledge the sound condition of the grain in reserve at the Nazareth EFSR warehouses.

Consequently, CARE had formally apologized for any inconvenience caused by what has been said in regard to the quality of grain at Nazareth EFSRA warehouses at the Food Aid Task Meeting.



THE RESERVE OF THE EFSRA HIGHLIGHTED

1. GRAIN STOCK STATUS
(AS OF July 5th 2004)

A. OVERALL STOCK POSITION

1. STOCK AT HAND in MT

Location	Type Of Grain			Total
	Wheat	Maize	Sorghum	
Nazareth	50,537.49	3,595.26	--	54,132.75
Shashemene	24,416.50	7,653.14	--	32,069.64
Shinele	6,346.44	--	--	6,346.44
Kombolcha	47,498.27	978.44	24.00	48,500.71
Mekelle	31,600.35	--	--	31,600.35
Wolayita Sodo	41,763.50	2.65	--	41,766.15
Woreta	984.95	4,249.4	21,207.6	26,441.95
TOTAL	203,147.5	16,478.89	21,231.6	240,857.99

2.SHORTAGES FROM PREVIOUS DONATIONS

Donor	Commodity	Expected from pledges (MT)	Shortages (MT)	Total qty to be delivered (MT)
WFP	Wheat	--	179.77	--
EU	Wheat	--	1,815.40	--

3. OUTSTANDING LOANS, COMMITTED LOANS UNDER - WITHDRAWAL, AND EXPECTED REPLACEMENT FROM SWAPPING

Guarantor/ Borrower	Outstanding loans (MT)	Committed loans under with drawal (MT)	Total (MT)
NGOs/USAID	15,961.76	7,407	23,368.76
NGOs/EU	63,290.90	11,276.00	74,566.90
DPPC	12,745.12	--	12,745.12
WFP	4,485.85	47,329.00	51,814.85
Other	1,651.21	---	1,651.21
TOTAL	98,134.84	66,012.00	164,146.84

4. OVERALL STOCK STATUS

Descriptions	Commodity Type	Quantity (MT)
Stock at hand	Wheat, Maize, Sorghum	240,857.99
Outstanding loans	“ “ “	98,134.84
Under withdrawal	“ “ “	66,012.00
Shortages from WFP	Wheat	179.77
Shortages from EU donations	Wheat	1,815.4
TOTAL		407,000.00

B. GRAIN STOCK DISINFESTED, PESTICIDES & RODENTICIDES USED.
(April 1st - June 30th, 2004)

1. GRAIN STOCK FUMIGATED & SPRAYED

Organization	Fumigated (MT)	Sprayed (MT)
EFSRA	83,604.63	110,008.9

2. QUANTITY OF PESTICIDES & RODENTICIDES USED

Type of pesticides	Unit	Quantity
Fumigant (aluminum phosphide)	Kg.	755.46
Liquid insecticide	Lt.	134.6

II. STATUS OF NON-FOOD ITEMS IN STOCK

(AS OF June 30th, 2004)

S/N	Items	Unit of Measurement	Quantity
1	Folding chair	Pcs	5
2	Plate melamine	Pcs	10
3	Green plastic	Bundle	70
4	Green plastic	Bundle	50
5	Hammer large	Pcs	2
6	Shovel	Pcs	8
7	Picks	Pcs	20
8	Fire extinguisher	Pcs	5
9	Folding table (small)	Pcs	7
10	Folding table (large)	Pcs	3
11	Oxfam feeding kit	Carton	32
12	Oxfam feeding kit	Carton	8
13	Hurricane lamp	Pcs	48
14	Kerosene stove (small)	Pcs	10
15	Bowl plastics	Pcs	15
16	Megaphone	Pcs	6
17	Small pans	Pcs	24
18	Cup melamine	Pcs	17
19	Bowl melamine	Pcs	16
20	Green & black plastic sheet each bundle 10 (pcs)	Bundle	298
21	Green & black plastic sheet bundle	Pcs	8
22	Green plastic sheet (small)	Pcs	131
23	Green plastic sheet (small)	Pcs	125
24	Ladel	Pcs	6
25	Bucket metal	Pcs	10
26	Metal spoon	Pcs	480
27	Cup plastic	Pcs	2129
28	Plastic spoon	Pcs	300

S/N	Items	Unit of Measurement	Quantity
29	Wooden paddel	Pcs	8
30	150x200 Blanket (D.B.B.E) Bandle	Bundle	41
31	150x200 Blanket bundle 50 pcs	Bundle	128
32	Jerry cans 10 liters	Pcs	2000
33	Cooking set	Pcs	2000

