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*This Fortnight Bulletin updates readers on what DPPC and its partners are doing regarding disaster prevention, preparedness and related issues.*

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# NEWS

## *Ethiopians abroad give assistance to war displaced*

Ethiopians residing abroad made cash donations amounting to Birr 21,364.90 to compatriots displaced by the Eritrea Government's war of aggression. The money was submitted to the National Committee at the DPPC head office on April 27, 2001 through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

According to the National Committee, the aid was donated through the Ethiopian Embassy in Djibouti Birr 983,000, the Ethiopian Consular Office in Geneva Birr 15,203 and the Ethiopian Embassy in Accra Birr 5,178.90. Upon receiving the money the committee expressed its thanks in the name of the displaced and said that it would be used to alleviate their plight.

The assistance was made in response to the appeal by the government to local and international donors in order to help hundreds of thousands of Ethiopians displaced by the Eritrean government's war of aggression.

## *Skill Upgrading Courses Given to Staff Members*

Courses aimed at skill upgrading, related to efficiency in the application of new methods and enhancing performance were given to staff members of the Commission at the head office conference hall from April 17-21 and April 23-27, 2001.

The programme was organized by Organization and Management (O and M) Service of the Commission in collaboration with the Ethiopian Management Institute. The Institute supplied qualified professionals for both groups. The first group comprises of 22 (5 females and 17 males) participants from Audit and Inspection Service and different departments who took training courses in Performance Audit while the second group has 18 secretaries and secretary typists (all females) in Office Operation Level One. Upon completion of the courses the participants were awarded certificates.

Participants of the programme have given their opinions about issues related to the courses. Regarding the Performance Audit, all expressed their satisfaction with the importance and applicability of the course in their routine work.

The secretaries and secretary typists also said they were satisfied with the course.

# MAJOR DISASTERS AND RESPONSES

(From April 20-27, 2001)

## ***Tigray***

Fire broke out at Badme town of Western Zone on March 24 and 27, 2001 completely destroying 94 thatched and 5 corrugated houses and tents. The damage is estimated at Birr 238,287. There was another fire accident at the same town on March 20, 2001 for which a committee was dispatched to assess the damage. Besides, loss of weight and swelling of legs is observed on children in Medabai 45 Wereda.

There is no Belg rain in the Southern Zone. Therefore, cultivated crops have almost wilted while grasshoppers infestation is being observed. A team has been sent to the area to assess the situation.

## ***Amhara***

In Kobo and Bugina weredas of North Wello Zone, 14 persons are reported sick with meningitis while in the South Wello Zone the scanty rainfall is feared to be cause for insects to breed.

## ***Oromia***

There have been reported cases of meningitis in different areas. In Abba chomon Wereda of Eastern Wellega Zone, 2 persons were sick with the disease and 2,163 people were vaccinated. In a related development, 10 individuals were sick while 3,261 people were vaccinated in Gudru Wereda of the zone. In Horro Woreda, Jimma zone 27 persons were sick, it was reported.

## ***Harari***

Critical shortage of water both to people and cattle was reported in the town and low-lying areas of the Region.

# NGOs PAGE

(From April 23-May 1, 2001)

Ser. No.	Description	Expected	Received	
			During the Week	Total
1	Year 2001 Plan of Operation	282	25	239
2	Year 2000 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Performance Report	635	20	484
3	Year 2000 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter Performance Report	635	126	426
4	Fixed Asset Inventory Report: Year 2001	300	8	158
5	Staff List: Year 2001	300	8	166
6	Audit Report: Year 1999	204	6	185
7	Audit Report: Year 2000	254	4	52

## stock status of EFSR and loan repayment schedule (mt)

As of May 1, 2001

### I. Stock Status

• Stock at Hand.....	244,321.40
• Outstanding Loans.....	160,683.43
• Shortages from WFP & EU	
Earlier Donations.....	259.92
• Donation from-EU.....	1,049.95
• Pledge (EU).....	685.30
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>407,000.00</u></b>

## II. Loan Repayment Schedule

No.	Borrowed by	Quantity borrowed /MT/	Repayment date	Mode of repayment	Guarantor
1	WFP	14,109.41	Dec. 1999-June 2001	Import and local purchase	WFP
2	DPPC	27,719.58	Dec. 99-June 2001	Import & Local Purchase	WFP
3	ORDA, SCF/UK, Oxfam, LWF, CISP, CARE, REST, DPPC, CONCERN, Farm Africa, COOPT & GAA	81,083.79	Dec. 1999-June 2001	"	EU
4	DPPC	32,896	Dec. 1999- May 2001	Local Purchase	Eth Gov't
5	SCF/UK	2,704.35	Dec. Nov 1999	Import /Local	DFID
6	DPPC, REST, WVF. & SCF/USA	1,517.85	Dec 1999-Mar. 2000	Import	USAID
7	EFCMY & EFGCB	31	Dec. 1999-Jan. 2001	Import	CFGB
8	LWF, REST & ERCS	604.45	Dec. 1999- Jan 2001	"	CIDA
9	ORDA	17.00		Shortage	German Gov't
<b>Total</b>		<b>160,683.43</b>			

### N.B

Loans the repayment dates of which have passed are those which have not yet been fully repaid.

## Pledge Status of Food

(in MT)

(January-April 2001)

### I. For Drought Victims

- Total Requirements.....639,246
- In-Country Stock.....80,538

- Undelivered Pledges.....88,049
- Total carried over from 2,000.....168,587
- Net Requirements.....470,658

Ser. No.	Donor	Consignee	Pledged Amount			Delivered Amount
			Confirmed	Unconfirmed	Total	
1	WFP	DPPC	*250,252	-	250,252	1,599
2	USA	NGOs	133,764	-	133,764	67,127.61
3	EU	DPPC	-	110,000	110,000	-
4	Sweden	DPPC	35,000	-	35,000	25,000
	Total		419,016	110,000	529,016	93,771.61

## II. For IDPs

Donor	Consignee	Pledged Amount			Delivered Amount
		Confirmed	Unconfirmed	Total	
USA	WFP/DPPC	27,200	-	27,200	-
NFRC	DPPC	5,896	-	5,896	5,896
	Total	33,096	-	33,092	5,896

\* 206,202 MT, against the 2001 appeal and remaining 44,050 MT is unresourced year 2000 pledges.

### *Response Status for 2001 Assistance Requirements*

Response Year: 2001  
Months : January-April

Ser.	Donor/Agency	Proposed Purpose of Assistance	Type of Assistance	Unit	Qty/ Amount of Pledge	Received	Total	Consignee	Remarks
1	Eth. at home and abroad		Cash	Birr	-	1,783,445	1,783,445	NFRC	
2	UNICEF		"	USD	284,544	-	284,544	UNICEF	Education & shelter
3	Italy	Rchab /Recovery	"	"	983,152	-	983,152	NGOs + Regional DPQLSA	
4	Turkey	"	"	"	352,802	352,802	352,802	DPPC	Water
5	Eth. Comm. in Jeddah	Relief	Medicines	Cart on	21	21	21	DPPC	
6	UNICEF	For ENCU	In kind	USD	104,397	104,397	104,397	DPPC	
7	WFP	For EGS	Hand tools	PCS	38,570	-	38,570	Oromia, SNNPR, Amhara, Tigray Regions	(Est. value USD 199,941)

SOURCE: Fund Raising Team