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## Over 1.1 Million Quintals Relief Food Distributed in three Months

Over 1.1 million quintals of relief food was apportioned in the last three months among people affected by shortages of rain.

According to Aid Programme Coordination and Monitoring Department, Relief Coordination Team, 1,124,810 quintals of emergency food has been sent to beneficiaries in Afar, Amhara, Benshangul Gumuz, Gamballa, Oromia, Harrari, SNNP, Tigray Regions and Diredawa Administrative council.

Out of the total 672,800 quintals of food allocated for the month of May 599,480 quintals was allocated by DPPC while 73,320 quintals was allocated by NGOs. Similarly, out of the 662,150 quintal of food allocated for July requirement the DPPC's share was 498,480 quintals while 163,670 quintals was allocated by NGOs. For the month of July a total of 385,860 quintals was allocated out of which 292,100 quintals was allocated by DPPC while 93,760 quintals was allocated by NGOs.



## Emergency relief Being Supplied to Flood Victims in Afar

DPPC provided all the necessary assistance including relief food and shelter for victims of flood caused by the overflowing of the Awash River in Dubti Wereda of Afar Region.

As soon as the flood disaster was known a team was sent from the Disaster Prevention and Preparedness Commission's Early Warning Department to assess the extent of damage caused and to recommend on the kind and amount of

assistance needed. Accordingly the team indicated that the river has overflowed its banks and it has inundated parts of Dubti wereda Detbahri and Beyahle and has caused damage.

The team has indicated that in the earlier mentioned areas of 5 localities close to 800 family heads or 4,000 people are suffering hardship as a result of the flooding. No human lives have been lost, though.



Therefore, 45 cartons of biscuits so far has been distributed to victims of the flood by the Region while the DPPC on its part has dispatched 80 quintals of biscuits and 10 rolls of 4X50 meter plastic sheets. In

addition, the Ethiopian Red Cross has supplied the victims with 32 cartons of biscuits according to the report obtained from Early Warning Department.



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## Food Aid Seized Being Delivered to a Private Warehouse

Food aid intended to be delivered to beneficiaries and loaded from Nazareth Central Warehouse was seized on July 23, 2005 when it was being unloaded at a private warehouse.

er was seized red-handed while unloading it at a private citizen's warehouse in Nazareth. The driver was apprehended because the police were tipped off by members of the society.

Logistics Administration and Transport Co-ordination Department of Disaster Prevention and Preparedness Commission (DPPC) disclosed that a private transporter was using requisitioning number 273577 to transport 200 quintals of wheat out of the July requirement of 596 quintals for the destination called Lelrhur in Aferder Zone of Somali Region. After loading the lorry at Nazareth central warehouse the driv-

When the DPPC knew of the matter, it immediately notified federal Police which sent investigators to the area. Accordingly, the police are now making the necessary investigations.

The DPPC would like to use the occasion to call upon private citizens to cooperate in exposing to the police greedy individuals who would want to use food aid for personal gain.

## Teaching the Difference Between sex and Gender Said Useful in Stopping Attacks on Women

Teaching children the difference between sex and gender will help eliminate psychological, physical and sexual assaults that face women.

This was disclosed during a two days workshop (July 26 and 27, 2005) prepared for 60 staff of the Disaster Prevention and Preparedness Commission (DPPC) to discuss sex and Gender, Gender and

Development, Human Rights and Women's Rights.

In the workshop, prepared jointly by Ethiopian Women lawyers Association (EWLA) and DPPC's Women's Affairs Department, it was seen that various research papers show that women suffer more from their gender difference - socially defined differences - between men

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and women rather than biological differences. Therefore it was noted that physical violence and its negative consequences are results of long standing social disparities regarding economy, education and psychology.

The presenters explained in depth that women face great hardships due to physical and psychological harm that they sustain including being battered and outcasts. It was stated that

due to discriminations as a result of their gender differences. Such discrimination is hindering women in fulfilling their basic needs and fight poverty.

It was stated that in order to enable women participate in developmental activities and fight poverty, it becomes necessary to make gender education a national and developmental program.



in order to ameliorate this hardship women need to know their legal rights that will enable them defend it in the court of law. Moreover it was noted that creating awareness among the public along side this will greatly reduce their suffering.

It was also stated that although women play a significant role in development activities their contribution is reported to be minimal largely

The two day workshop was concluded following extensive discussions held in teams that led to a common understanding regarding sex and gender, family law, family planning, health rights, reproductive health and issues related to termination of pregnancy.

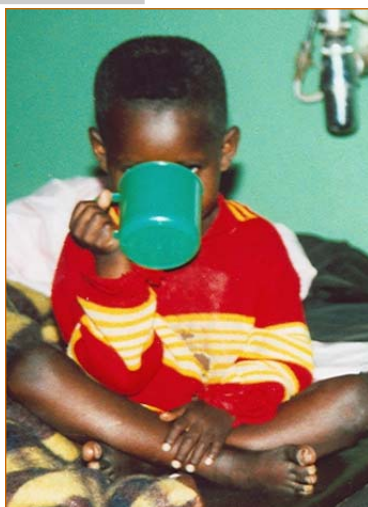
## Dutch Government Donates US\$ 7.8 Million To World Food Programme

The Dutch Government donated US\$ 7.8 million to the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) to be used for targeted supplementary Feeding Programme.

According to WFP's press release sent to DPPC PR, the donation from the Dutch government will be used to locally purchase and distribute some 13,000 metric tons of famix, (a blended food which is rich in vitamins and minerals), to women on WFP's Targeted Supplementary Feeding programme. The Targeted Supplementary Feeding Programmes complements and supports UNICEF's Financed Enhanced Outreach Strategy (EOS).

WFP disclosed that the Targeted Supplementary Feeding Initiative is also designed to increase access to health care for pregnant and nursing mothers. Women are hired and trained to both distribute food and impart knowledge about basic but life-saving nutrition.

According to the press release, to date, in 98 zones across SNNP, Tigray and Somali Regions, 3,200 women have been trained under the programme initiative. By the end of the year over 1.5 million rations consisting of blended food and vegetable oil is planned to be delivered to beneficiaries by women on the scheme.



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# Major Disasters and Responses

(June 25 to 29, 2005)

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## **SNNPR**

In Shebedino, Hagere Selam, Dale and Aleta low-lying weredas of Sidama Zone, Children are showing signs of malnutrition.

## **TIGRAY**

In Samre Se'areti Wereda of Southern Zone, a hailstorm destroyed nine houses worth Birr 95,000 in the wereda town. The storm also destroyed crops on eight hectare of farmland and killed two heads of cattle.

A hailstorm also damaged 390 hectares of crops consisting of barley, maize and wheat and killed a cow, nine sheep and goats and destroyed a house in an area called Millazat in Lemlem locality of Inderita wereda. Hailstorm has also damaged 74 hectares of sorghum, killed four heads of cattle, eight sheep and eight goats, destroyed five houses and filled 12 water holes with mud in an area called Adiserawi in Simret locality in Adwa wereda of Eastern Tigray.

Beetle infestation of millet is being observed indifferent weredas of the Eastern Tigray especially in Ahferom areas. In addition Army Worm infestation was witnessed over 57 hectares of grazing land In Mesrebet Peasant Association however report from the area said it is put under control.

## **OROMIA**

In a place called Misemma in Mare Suka locality in Begi wereda of West Welega zone, a hailstorm has destroyed 311 hectares of maize and 50 hectares of haricot bean.

In Semie Peasant Association a hail-

storm that occurred on July 7, 2005 has caused 45-100% damage to different types of crops on 118 hectares of land. As a result 123 heads of households with 621 family members are undergoing hardships.

Malnutrition is being witnessed on children in Habro, Inchara, Mesela, Tulo, Doba and Chiro weredas of West Haraghe.

## **Amhara**

In Lemada of South Gondar a hailstorm that fell in one locality on July 21, 2005 has damaged crops on 400 hectares of land and has also killed a man, 89 sheep and goats and 14 heads of cattle as a result of flooding. In Debarik, Beyeda, Janamora and Denbia weredas of North Gondar zone a heavy rain began to fall on July 18, 2005 at mid-night and continued till noon of the next day. As a result, crops and houses were damaged but the extent of damage is not yet known. In the same zone in Gondar Zairia and Denbia weredas nutritional surveillance was conducted in areas where food shortages had been observed.

In Inarj Inawga wereda of East Gojjam zone, a hailstorm has damaged 12 hectares of potato crop, 2 hectares of wheat as a result of flooding. Similarly in Dejen Wereda 15 hectares of millet and 2 hectares of wheat has been washed away by floods.

In Sekela wereda of West Gojjam 4 localities had hailstorm which damaged 333 hectares of crops from 20-100% and 2 oxen, 1 horse, 1 cow, 1 sheep and 1 heifer were killed. In addition, fertilizers have skyrocketed in price by a difference of Birr 100.



Hailstorm caused damaged in different areas in Tigray, Oromia and Amhara Regions.

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Source: Telephone reports from the regions to information and Documentation Team

## Allocation of Relief Food by DPPC and NGOs in 2005

N o	Region	January			February			March			April		
		DPPC	NGOs	Sub Total	DPPC	NGOs	Sub Total	DPPC	NGOs	Sub Total	DPPC	NGOs	Sub Total
1	Afar	7,805.3		7,805.3	7,805.3	0	7,805.3	9,767		9,767	9,572		9,572
2	Amhara			0			0	0		0			0
3	Benshangul			0			0	0		0			0
4	DireDawa			0			0	653		653			0
5	Gambela			0	845.2	0	845.2			0	842		842
6	Harari			0			0			0			0
7	Oromia	3,635.20		3,635.20	2,018.90	0	2,018.90	8,609	449	9,058	9,223	449	9,672
8	SNNP			0			0	2,519		2,519	6,717		6,717
9	Somali			0	18,355.90	0	18,355.90		447	447	175	446	621
10	Tigray			0	6,549.40	0	6,549.40	7,125		7,125	7,213		7,213
	Total	11,440.50	0	11,440.50	35,574.70	0	35,574.70	28,673	896	29,569	33,742	895	34,637

N o	Region	May			June			July		
		DPPC	NGOs	Sub Total	DPPC	NGOs	Sub Total	DPPC	NGOs	Sub Total
1	Afar	10092	0	10092	9231	0	9,231	8,900	0	8,900
2	Amhara	15	0	15	219	152	371	3,820	152	3,972
3	Benshangul	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	DireDawa	53	0	53	0	596	596	0	577	577
5	Gambela	842	0	842	842	0	842	0	0	0
6	Harari	113	0	113	104	0	104	0	0	0
7	Oromia	11,278	762	12,040	7862	4,400	12,262	8,697	4,223	12,920
8	SNNP	7,968	0	7,968	5874	1,262	7,136	93	1,075	1,168
9	Somali	16,973	6,570	23,543	17658	6,608	24,266	0	0	0
10	Tigray	12,607	0	12,607	8058	3,349	11,407	7,700	3,349	11,049
	Total	59,948	7,332	67,280	49,848	16,367	66,215	29,210	9,376	38,586

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# STOCK STATUS OF EFSRA AND LOAN REPAYMENT SCHEDULE (MT)

(July 05, 2005)

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