



Japan Provides New Humanitarian Assistance Package to Conflict and Drought affected Regions in Ethiopia

Addis Ababa – The Government of Japan will provide a new humanitarian assistance package worth about USD 25 million (1.3 billion Birr) through its partnerships with various international organizations.

As a follow-up to the commitments made at TICAD 8 in Tunis in August, and in response to the urgent and vast humanitarian needs in Ethiopia, Japanese humanitarian assistance to Ethiopia, to be implemented in Japanese Fiscal Year 2022/2023, is focused on five areas. Its breakdown is as follows (see ANNEX for details):

(1) Food Security and Livelihood: Japan will provide nearly USD 4 million to WFP to give lifesaving nutritional treatment to 22,200 children aged 6-59 months and 25,800 pregnant and lactating women in Afar, Amhara and Tigray Regions. USD 1.5 million will be provided to FAO to improve food, nutrition and income security in Amhara and Afar by supporting 6,750 households with diversified crop seeds, vaccinating more than 1.5 million livestock, supporting women groups and rehabilitating vet clinics.

(2) Protection and Emergency Assistance: In order to provide protection and basic emergency assistance to more than 2 million IDPs, refugees, returnees and host communities affected by conflict and natural disasters in almost all regions of the country, Japan will provide more than USD 15 million to IOM, UNHCR, UNICEF, OCHA, ICRC and CBPF. This assistance will be made through provision of emergency shelters, NFIs, health and medical services, water and sanitation facilities and education services.

(3) Sexual and Reproductive Health and GBV: To increase access to SRH/GBV information and services for vulnerable women, girls and youth in conflict affected areas of Amhara, Benishangul-Gumuz, Afar and Somali Regions, Japan will provide about USD 1.5 million to UNFPA and IPPF. This assistance aims to reach more than 200,000 beneficiaries with SRH/GBV information and services while strengthening local health systems.

(4) Mine Action: In order to minimize the risk of explosive ordnances and to ensure the safe delivery of humanitarian aid in the northern regions, Japan will provide USD 2 million to UNMAS. The project will assess and reduce explosive ordnance contamination, and deliver explosive ordnance risk education to conflict-affected people to mitigate explosive risks.

(5) Human Rights: Japan will provide USD 300,000 to OHCHR to promote and protect human rights especially in conflict affected areas through monitoring, reporting and advocating the human rights situation, and supporting various stakeholders to strengthen human rights protection systems.

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