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Preventing unsafe migration through community conversation and sustainable livelihoods interventions. Photo: IOM/2022

Ethiopia is a country of origin, transit, and destination for migrants, with approximately 250,000 Ethiopians migrating annually, driven by natural and man-made disasters and severe economic hardship. The number of migrants in need on the Eastern route is estimated to exceed 300,00 in the coming years. In 2022, almost 100,000 Ethiopians were forcibly returned from KSA, with one in six from Tigray regional state. Between January 2021 and December 2022, half of the returnees from KSA were reported to originate from drought-affected areas of Ethiopia. Both spontaneous and forced movements across Ethiopia's land borders occur, with thousands of movements each month.

Safe and dignified return and sustainable reintegration are essential parts of a comprehensive approach to migration management. IOM assists migrants in making informed decisions on their return and reintegration back into their communities. Migration Response Centres (MRCs) operate along key migration routes, providing direct assistance, including food and temporary shelter, information, and service referrals to people on the move. IOM supports Technical and Vocational Education

and Training (TVET) facilities to provide quality training to prospective migrant workers, supports GoE with evidence-informed migration management through the generation, analysis, and dissemination of migration data to respond more effectively to diverse migration and border governance issues.

IOM also works to enable migrants to benefit from an improved standard of physical, mental, and social well-being, so they can substantially contribute to social and economic development. IOM's health programming includes health assessments, vaccination activities, Tuberculosis diagnosis and treatment under Directly Observed Therapy (DOT), pre-departure medical services for resettlement purposes, and a variety of health promotion/assistance services.

In close coordination with key partners, IOM conducts resettlement, family reunification, humanitarian, and other admission initiatives, by facilitating movement and logistical assistance, handling the visa application process to Canada, and facilitating family reunification of vulnerable migrants with their families in Germany.

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12,070

Individuals reached through return and reintegration activities.



2,360

Individuals reached through protection assistance.



4,950

Individuals reached through migration health.



3,620

Individuals reached through movement support.

RETURN AND REINTEGRATION

Safe and dignified return and sustainable reintegration are essential parts of a comprehensive approach to migration management.

Together with a vast network of partners comprising governmental authorities and non-governmental partners both in the region and in the countries of origin, IOM Ethiopia assists migrants in making informed decisions on their return and reintegration back into their communities.



10,350

Returnee migrants registered, profiled and screened for vulnerabilities upon arrival



1,190

Returnee migrants assisted with Non-Food Items (NFIs)



15

Vulnerable returnees received tailor-made economic and social support packages



430

Returnee migrants assisted with onward transportation allowance (OTA) and NFIs



2

Persons reached through cash-based support



85

Persons benefitted from return and reintegration capacity building activities

MIGRANT PROTECTION AND ASSISTANCE

Migration Response Centres (MRCs) operate along key migration routes, providing direct assistance, including food and temporary shelter, information, and service referrals to people on the move. Working collaboratively, MRCs bring together key partners to facilitate the identification of migrants in vulnerable situations and ensure that they receive appropriate, immediate and longer-term support.



860

Migrants received non-food items (NFIs), temporary accommodation, food, water and awareness raising



570

Migrants benefitted from protection assistance



12

Migrants received medical support either at MRCs or through referral to specialized service providers



670

Migrants received transportation assistance to return to their communities of origin



1,480

Migrants received psychosocial support



Conducting health assessment at IOM's migration health assessment centre. Photo: IOM/Alemayehu Seifeselesie

MIGRATION HEALTH

IOM works to enable migrants and IDPs to benefit from an improved standard of physical, mental and social well-being, so they can substantially contribute to social and economic development. IOM's health programming includes health assessments, vaccination activities, Tuberculosis diagnosis and treatment under Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) and pre-departure medical services for resettlement purposes. IOM also provides a variety of health promotion/assistance services.



1,460

Health assessments conducted in Migration Health Assessment Centres (MHACs)



440

Pre-departure medical screenings (PDMS)/preembarkation checks (PEC) for migrants



2,880

Persons vaccinated as per resettlement country protocols



140

DNA sample collection and analysis for family reunification



6

People screened for COVID – 19 for clinical and travelling purpose

RESETTLEMENT AND MOVEMENTS

Migration Movements includes directing, overseeing and coordination of IOM's resettlement, family reunification, humanitarian, and other admission initiatives, by facilitating movement and logistical assistance. Movements are conducted across Ethiopia in close coordination with key partners such as Refugees and Returnees Services (RRS), UNHCR, Immigration department, and Ethiopian Airlines with which an agreement was made globally.



480

Refugees departed from Ethiopia under IOM's resettlement programme



290

Refugees accommodated at Transit Centre



673

People interviewed for resettlement purposes



25

Refugees and migrants assisted under the IOM family reunification programme.



133

Documents verified



10

People received arrival assistance at the Airport

CANVAC

IOM operates a Canada Visa Application Centre (CANVAC) in Addis Ababa to handle the visa application process to Canada, ensuring that only properly completed visa applications are submitted.



380

No. of visa applications and packages handled and transferred to Migration Office (MO)



760

No. of Biometrics data collected and transmitted to immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC)



920

No. of walk-in and call centre enquiries handled

FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FAP)

The FAP centre in Addis Ababa is part of a global network of nine centres which are facilitating the family reunification of vulnerable migrants with their family members in Germany since 2016. The programme offers a wide range of support to Eritrean and Somali families residing in Ethiopia and who have a family member in Germany with recognized refugee or subsidiary protection status.



540

No. of individual assisted by walk-in at office



510

No. of applicants assisted during their family reunification visa application process via e-mails



350

No. of family members contacted by phone to check their eligibility, and inform them about FAP services and required documents



140

No. of complete applications collected and submitted to the German Visa Sections

