



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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17,400

Individuals reached through return and reintegration activities.



1,700

Refugees and migrants assisted under the IOM family reunification programme



1,890

Individuals reached through migration health.



2,000

Individuals reached through movement support.

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.

 **500**

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

 **1,080**


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


 **2,150**


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.

 **820**
No. of individual assisted by walk-in at office

 **730**
No. of applicants assisted during their family reunification visa application process via e-mails

 **290**
No. of family members contacted by phone to check their eligibility, and inform them about FAP services and required documents

 **120**
No. of complete applications collected and submitted to the German Visa Sections



IOM began operating the Family Assistance Programme (FAP) centre in Ethiopia in December 2018. Photo: IOM/Yonatan Teffera



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.



1,820

Health assessments conducted in Migration Health Assessment Centres (MHACs)



500

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



1,260

Persons vaccinated as per resettlement country protocols



140

DNA sample collection and analysis for family reunification



2

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.



550

Refugees departed from Ethiopia under IOM's resettlement programme



480

Refugees accommodated at Transit Centre



1,690

People interviewed for resettlement purposes



40

Refugees and migrants assisted under the IOM family reunification programme.



180

Documents verified



80

People received arrival assistance at the Airport

RETURN AND REINTEGRATION

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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.



17,410

Returnee migrants registered, profiled and screened for vulnerabilities upon arrival



5,330

Returnee migrants assisted with Non-Food Items (NFIs)



0

Vulnerable returnees received tailor-made economic and social support packages



646

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



0

Persons reached through cash-based support



0

Persons benefitted from return and reintegration capacity building activities

