

THE ICRC DELEGATION IN ETHIOPIA

# FACTS & FIGURES

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People displaced by ethnic violence in Kiltu Kara district, West Wellega Zone of Oromia Region, receive non-food items from ICRC and ERCS, 2018.

## DETAINEES

In agreement with the national authorities, the ICRC visits federal and regional prisons as well as police stations so as to improve both the conditions of detention and the treatment of detainees, in accordance with international norms and standards.

### From January-December 2018, the ICRC:

- Visited more than 50,000 detainees in 56 different places of detention, including federal and regional prisons in Amhara, Oromia, Southern Ethiopia and Tigray as well as police stations and juvenile centers. It also followed 154 detainees individually.
- Helped detainees exchange 253 Red Cross Messages (RCMs) to restore/maintain contacts with their families, and 519 simple oral greetings.
- Provided mattresses, blankets, clothes, plastic cups, plates, sanitary pads, and soaps as well as educational and recreational materials such as notebooks, pens, footballs, volleyballs and chess to more than 36,700 detainees across the country.
- Enabled over 5,000 detainees in three regional and one federal prisons to have better access to water and sanitation facilities through construction/maintenance works undertaken in partnership with prison authorities.
- Assisted detention authorities in five regions in undertaking the design of 23 new prisons, and supported a federal and 17 places of detention in Amhara and Southern Ethiopia improving their maintenance management plans

- Assisted detention authorities in five regions in kitchen design and supported 30 prisons in improving fuel saving stoves.
- Organized a five-day seminar for 30 prison managers from six African Anglophone countries on sharing best practices related to improvement of prison infrastructure.
- Helped regional detaining authorities in Amhara and Oromia Regions upgrade and and run two standard prison clinics benefiting 1,620 detainees.
- Provided medical assistance (consisting of essential drugs, medical equipment, mobility devices and hospital bed mattresses) for 26 prison clinics.
- Provided technical support and on the job training to 39 prison clinics in federal and regional prisons in Addis Ababa, Oromia, Amhara, and Southern Ethiopia benefiting 25, 040 detainees.
- Assisted Burayu prison by supporting the opening of a new primary clinic in Daleti.



Prison managers from six African Anglophone countries sharing best practices related to improvement of prison infrastructure, Addis Ababa, 2018.

## SEPARATED FAMILIES

The ICRC, in cooperation with the ERCS, strives to restore family links between family members separated by conflict, violence and migration through the tracing services of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement as well as through the provision of free phone calls and the exchange of Red Cross Messages (RCMs).



ICRC staff talking with people displaced by ethnic violence in Kochere district, Gedeo Zone of Southern Ethiopia Region on the kind of support they need, 2018

### From January- December 2018, the ICRC:

- Received new tracing requests from people looking for 2,427 missing family members in Ethiopia and abroad, and located 387 sought persons.
- Exchanged, in close cooperation with ERCS, 3,925 RCMs between family members separated by conflict/violence and other humanitarian situations.
- Provided, together with ERCS, 90,750 free phone calls to refugees in Ethiopia (mostly South Sudanese) and returnees mainly from Eritrea and Saudi Arabia) who could exchange family news with their relatives in their respective countries. Also made available similar service to Eritrean unaccompanied children upon arrival to Shire camps in Northern Ethiopia.
- Published two new booklets with 934 pictures of South Sudanese refugees looking for relatives.

## INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS

The ICRC and the ERCS jointly provide support to people affected by inter-communal clashes and ethnic violence in different regions of the country.

### From January- December 2018, the ICRC:

- Distributed plastic shelters, sleeping mats, blankets, jerry cans, soaps and cooking utensils to more than 155,000 people displaced by violence in West and East Hararge and in West and East Wellega zones, (Oromia Region), in Gedeo Zone (Southern Region) in North Gondar Zone (Amhara Region) and in Humera (Tigray Region).
- Provided financial assistance to about 10,000 people affected by ethnic violence in Moyale town (Somali and Oromia regions).
- Donated staple seeds and agricultural tools to 50,000 people affected by ethnic violence in West Hararge zone to help them restore their livelihoods.
- Trained 11 local veterinarians and established a veterinary pharmacy to improve access to animal health benefitting 48,000 semi-pastoralist communities affected by ethnic violence in East Hararge Zone.

- Provided financial support to 180 households in Tigray region enabling them to engage in various income generating activities.
- Distributed water storage tanks, water disinfectant tablets, hand pump sets; supplied and installed submersible pump and two water hydrants for water trucking points in Kochere and Yirgachefe districts in Gedeo Zone benefitting 140,000 displaced people.
- Distributed hygienic materials for 17,000 displaced people in Burayu and in Babile areas as part of emergency response.

## WATER

The ICRC works with local authorities and communities to improve access to clean water and sanitation services.



A water point built in Babile, East Hararge Zone for people affected by ethnic violence, 2018.

### From January- December 2018, the ICRC:

- Completed a solar water supply system in one village in Tigray region benefiting 4,000 people.
- Supported water authorities in Tigray region to make use of their online water points' database (Majella platform) enabling them to extract water supply coverage information at woreda and regional levels, to plan and allocate budget for the construction of new water points, and to provide water point data to stakeholders.

## PERSONS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES

The ICRC Physical Rehabilitation Program works to promote equal access to quality and long-term sustainable rehabilitation services to Persons with Physical Disabilities (PWDs) through support to national and regional actors to enable them recover mobility, play an active role in society and live in dignity.



People with disabilities competing at 4<sup>th</sup> National Wheelchair Basketball Tournament at the Addis Ababa Mini-Stadium, 2018.

### From January- December 2018, the ICRC:

- Enabled 8,047 PWDs access to physical rehabilitation services in nine ICRC supported physical rehabilitation centres (PRCs). Of which, 134 economically vulnerable individuals had their transport and food costs covered by the ICRC.

- Conducted dissemination sessions for 89 health officers, health extension workers, doctors and ERCS personnel on physical rehabilitation program services in catchment areas of Nekemte, Asella, Assosa and Dire Dawa.
- Conducted trainings; on wheelchair service delivery for 11 prosthetists and orthotists from Ethiopia, South Sudan and Sudan. Moreover, provided wheelchair maintenance trainings for 13 bench workers from Ethiopia.
- Provided relevant training to 107 wheelchair basketball players, coaches, referees and classifiers from Ethiopia, Sudan, Democratic Congo Republic, Tanzania and Rwanda.
- Gave a training to 86 members of the Ethiopian Prosthetic & Orthotic Association and physiotherapists in Orthotics management of fracture, stroke, diabetic foot screening, congenital limb deficiency.
- Facilitated and supported Certificate of Competence for 39 bench workers in partnership with the Ethiopian Prosthetic & Orthotic Association.
- Provided comprehensive physical rehabilitation services, including mobility devices, wheelchairs, crutches, compensation shoes, prosthesis and orthotics for 149 detainees with disability in four federal and one regional prisons.
- Organized a seminar on the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Treaty which was attended by representatives of governmental and Non-governmental organizations.



Representatives from government authorities, academia and the UN participate at a seminar on the Arms Trade Treaty, Addis Ababa, 2018.

- Organized, together with Hawassa University, the 3rd National international humanitarian law (IHL) Moot Court Competition in which 19 universities participated.
- Organized a seminar on weapons laws and the Arms Trade Treaty for 20 representatives from relevant government agencies, academia and UN bodies.

#### **PARTNERSHIP WITH THE ETHIOPIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY (ERCS)**

#### **PROMOTING THE LAW**

The ICRC promotes the knowledge of International Humanitarian Law (IHL) amongst various interlocutors such as military and police forces, national authorities, and academic circles and supports efforts to integrate/ domesticate IHL.



Defense force officers receive training organized jointly by the ICRC and ENDF on the basics of the International Humanitarian Law, Addis Ababa, 2018.



Julien Lerisson (left), Head of the ICRC Delegation in Ethiopia, and Wondawak Abezie (right), Acting Secretary General of ERCS, sign partnership agreement on project descriptions, Addis Ababa, 2018.

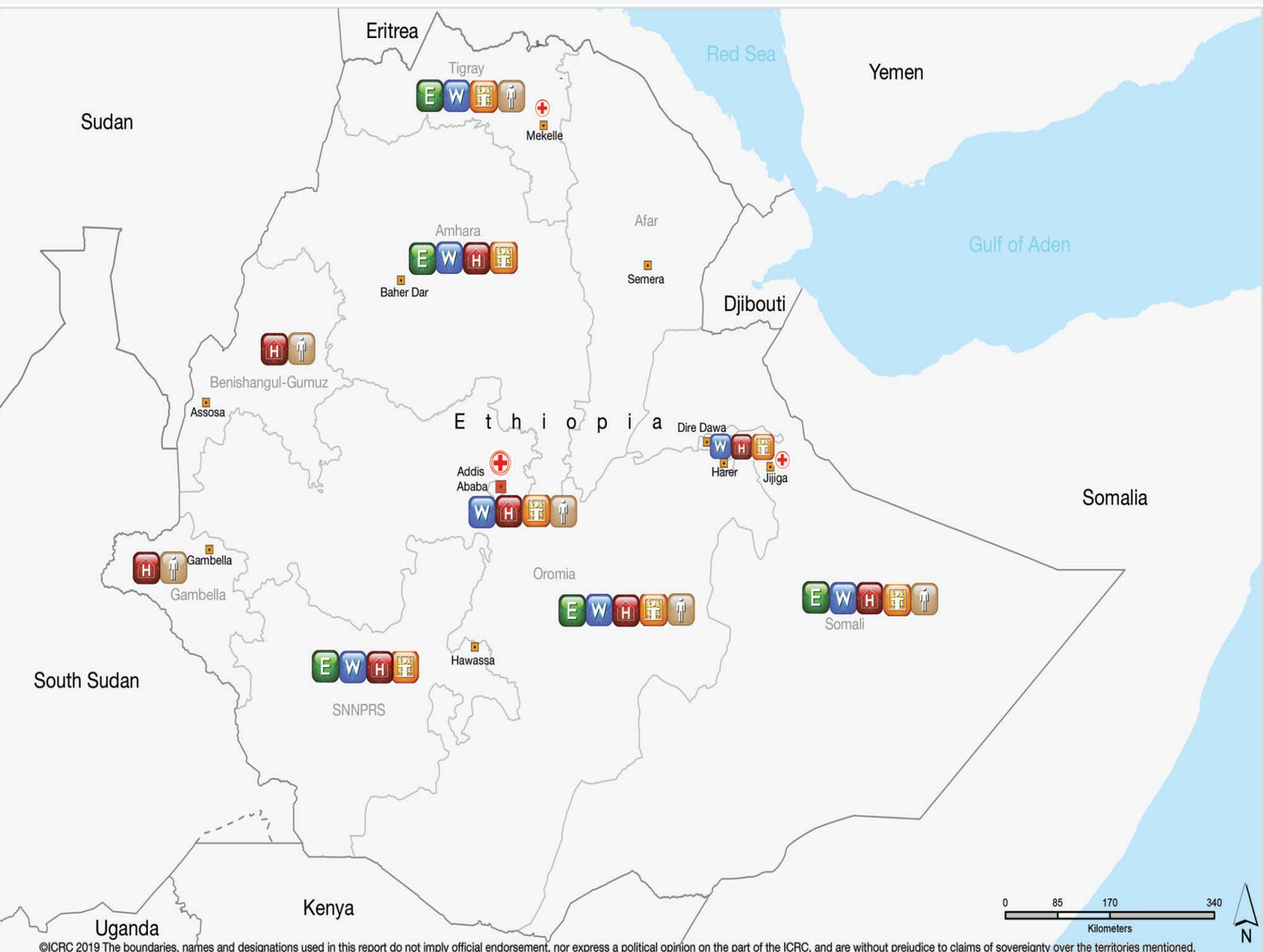
In addition to joint programming highlighted above:

#### **From January- December 2018, the ICRC:**

- Organized, together with the Ethiopian National Defense Force (ENDF) eight separate trainings on basics of IHL for 315 division and regiment commanding officers from Central, Northern and Northeast Commands, Center Task force, Dejen Division and instructors from Hurso contingent training school.
- Provided training on the use of force and international humanitarian and human rights standards to 594 members of special police forces from Bahir Dar, Mekelle, Dire Dawa, Harar, Assosa, Hawassa, Jima, Shashemene and Gambella cities as well from the Federal Police Commission.
- Organized a Training of Trainers (ToT) to 14 police officers and ToT on the provision of first aid to 20 other officers.

#### **From January- December 2018, the ICRC:**

- Supported 13 conflict prone branches of ERCS in organizing first aid trainings to its volunteers and ambulance attendants.
- Provided financial and technical assistance to 13 ERCS branches and headquarters to strengthen their human resources, ambulance service and response capacity.
- Donated non-food items to ERCS that can cover needs of 1,000 households.
- Organized six different technical and Red Cross focused trainings for staff and volunteers selected from 11 regional and 20 zonal branches
- Supported ERCS in organizing financial management training for accountants selected from 12 zonal branches.
- Donated one vehicle for ERCS' newly established East Hararge zonal branch.



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- ICRC major activities**
- Delegation
  - Capital City
  - Economic security
  - Health and physical rehabilitation
  - Sub-delegation
  - Regional Capital
  - Water and Habitat
  - Visit of detention
  - Restoring Family Links



The ICRC helps people around the world affected by armed conflict and other situations of violence, doing everything it can to protect their dignity and relieve their suffering, often with its Red Cross and Red Crescent partners. The organization also seeks to prevent hardship by promoting and strengthening humanitarian law and championing universal humanitarian principles.



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