MONTHLY PROGRAMMATIC HIGHLIGHTS
ETHIOPIA | DECEMBER 2019

RETURNS & REINTEGRATION

11,141 (1,863F / 9,278M) forced returnees from KSA were registered, profiled and screened for vulnerabilities upon arrival.

Vulnerable returnees from KSA assisted with onward transportation allowance (OTA) and NFI.

472 (170F / 302M) Non-KSA returnees received health screening, accommodation and food, onward transport assistance, cash grants, psychosocial counselling, economic, and social support, as required.

Returnees received medical screening and referral.

Unaccompanied Migrant Children (UMC) assisted with Family Tracing and Reintegration (FTR) support.

Returnees received economic and social support.

Returnees received one-to-one and in group psychosocial counselling.

BEHAVIOUR CHANGE COMMUNICATION

222 (61F / 161M) participated in four regional consultations on Community Conversation programme in Amhara, SNNPR, Tigray and Oromia regions.

587 Individuals participated in Community Conversation and peer education refresher training.

1,160 (340F / 820M) Community Conversation Focal (CCF) trainers trained.

9,000 Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials distributed.

MIGRANT PROTECTION & ASSISTANCE

982 Migrants (748F / 234M) benefitted from direct assistance and protection services i.e. food, water, accommodation, hygiene kits and onward transportation allowances. Among the 982 migrants were 89 UMC.

Vulnerable migrants referred by government stakeholders/local actors for Emergency Migration Response Center services (EMRC).
SHELTER - NFI - WASH

**NFI** 16,500 Individuals benefitted from ES-NFIs assistance.

490 Individuals benefitted from transitional shelter support.

4,250 Individuals benefitted from housing, land and property support.

$ 825 Individuals benefitted from cash-based assistance for ES-NFIs.

5,581 Dignity kits distributed.

4,723 IDPs reached through Site Management Support (SMS).

45,938 Individuals benefitted from hygiene promotion activities.

2,666 Individuals benefitted from rehabilitation of water infrastructure.

2,488 Individuals benefitted from rehabilitation of sanitation facilities.

HEALTH

Health assessments conducted.

1,069 Individuals received post-arrival medical assistance.

11,420 Medical consultations conducted.

13,726 Individuals benefitted from health awareness sessions.

4,380 Children less than five years old screened for malnutrition.

2,199 Women of reproductive age benefitted from sexual and reproductive health services.

916 Refugees and migrants benefited from pre-departure medical screening.

REFUGEE MOVEMENTS

5,445 Refugees benefitted from transportation assistance.
LABOR MIGRATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

72 Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) instructors from three regions (Tigray, Amhara and SNNPR) trained on the revised Training Teaching-and Learning-Materials (TTLM) curriculums.

36 MoLSA experts trained on labor migration governance and contract approval process conducted in Bishoftu.

MIGRATION GOVERNANCE

37 Law enforcement officials trained on international and national legal frameworks.

41 Regional government officials, law enforcement, taskforce members and NGOs attended an International Migration Law training (IML).

37 Government officials trained on migration management.

66 Local private sector actors trained on identifying possible synergies in economic reintegration of returnees.

30 Targeted vulnerable migrants received livelihood support.

22 Various materials were provided to key stakeholders to strengthen livelihood implementing partners.

OPERATIONS

529 Refugees departed Ethiopia for resettlement purposes. IOM facilitated the departure of 154 refugees by charter flight supported by the German Resettlement Programme.

88 USA

96 Canada

15 Finland

5 Australia

6 Switzerland

2 France

1 Ghana

248 Norway

11 Sweden

37 UK

20 Netherland

411 Refugees were accommodated and assisted at IOM transit centre for interviews, medical and departure.

454 Exit travel documents were processed.

85 Documents verified for different embassies on behalf of refugees and migrants.
African Union’s Institute for Statistics (STATAFRIC) and IOM conducted a capacity building workshop from 3 to 6 December on labour migration for experts from National Statistical Offices, Immigration Directorates, and Ministries of Labour of the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS). Officials working with administrative data, border control statistics, and population registers attended the workshop in the Republic of the Congo.

A consultative meeting was convened by the African Union Commission (AUC) in Dakar, Senegal from 11 to 13 December to discuss accelerating ratification of the Free Movement Protocol (FMP) by member states. Representatives of 27 countries and regional economic communities (RECs) discussed the issue of 'Right of Entry', which is part of ongoing deliberations on the continent’s strategy on free movement. There was consensus that the current situation where many African citizens experience difficulty to cross borders on their own continent, compared to some holders of foreign passports, has become untenable and required urgent policy intervention.

SPECIAL LIAISON UNIT

REGIONAL MIXED MIGRATION PROGRAMME
EAST AND HORN OF AFRICA -(EHOA)

An Africa Regional Migration Program (ARMP) Technical Coordination meeting was held from 4-6 December 2019 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. A total of 41 IOM staff members attended the event comprising focal persons from the 19 countries of ARMP implementation, regional ARMP managers, the ARMP team in RO Pretoria management site, the Knowledge Management Team in Washington, four Regional Thematic Specialists (RTSs) and support staff (RMU Pretoria & Addis Ababa and PSU Addis Ababa).

The main objective of the meeting was for participants to apprise themselves with the general program status as IOM closed the first ARMP cycle and entered a new cycle in October 2019. Specifically, the meeting intended to discuss possible avenues of improving support to the program implementation process at both the regional and country levels. It also gave participants the opportunity to get themselves familiarized with important programmatic information relating to donor’s expectations and exigencies.
PRESS NOTES OF THE MONTH (please click to read):

- In Sigo, Ethiopia, Livelihood Support Gives a Chance to Returnees
- Regional Workshop Highlights the Importance of Bilateral and Multilateral Labour Agreements in enhancing Labour Migration Governance
- IOM Organizes International Migration Law Training in Ethiopia
- JLMP Builds the Capacity of ECCAS Member States to Collect New Types of Labour Migration Data

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