

SITUATION UPDATE



An Adult Outpatient Department (OPD) consultation in Kelawlo IDP site, part of our integrated services.

More than 3.9 million people in Tigray, and more than 10 million people in Amhara, have been affected by events in these regions and need health services and interventions. In Afar, only 94 out of 414 (23%) health facilities are functional, including two hospitals and 31 health centers. In Amhara, more than 500 health facilities and 1,706 health posts need to be rehabilitated, renovated and supported with equipment and supplies to be operational.

Despite these challenges, International Medical Corps has continued to offer services and support to those affected by the current events in Tigray. After the signing of the Cessation of Hostilities Agreement on November 2, our teams have joined ongoing assessments in newly accessible areas to evaluate emerging needs and respond as needed.

International Medical Corps Response

International Medical Corps continues to provide vital nutrition, health, gender-based violence, mental health and psychosocial support, and water, sanitation, and hygiene services to 26 sites for internally displaced persons (IDPs) in the Afar, Amhara and Tigray regions hosting 800,000 people. We operate 22 mobile medical units in the regions (including three in Afar, eight in Amhara, five in Tigray and six in Kafta Humera/Wolkait/Tsegede) providing a range of services, including outpatient consultations, nutrition screenings, perinatal consultations, family planning services and health education. We also operate a surge team consisting of two medical officers in the Dansha region. In the past two weeks, we have provided 16,300 outpatient consultations, screened 9,934 people for malnutrition and provided 460 people with MHPSS services.

From the last week of November 2022, International Medical Corps restarted services at nine IDP sites in Shire town, and has since resumed in most of its operational locations in Tigray. Since the recent resumption of humanitarian flights and road access to Tigray, our team has shipped more than 200 metric tons of medicines and medical supplies, program materials and assorted sanitation- and hygiene-related non-food items into Tigray by road and air from Addis Ababa, resupplying our mobile teams and helping to address urgent program needs in Tigray. This includes hand pumps sent to Shire to enable access to potable water, which is needed within the region. In addition, the mobile team that we dispatched to Adiarkay has continued to provide screening, health and nutrition services.

Over the past two weeks, International Medical Corps' emergency response teams in North Gondar (Amhara), Semera (Afar) and Shire (Tigray) provided 16,300 healthcare consultations and screened 9,934 children under 5 and pregnant and lactating women (PLWs) for malnutrition.

International Medical Corps has resumed WASH activities in Shire town and has delivered clean water via trucks daily, delivering 20,064 liters as part of our ongoing WASH response to date. In the past two weeks, we reached more than 18,931 people through hygiene promotion sessions, covering topics such as handwashing, proper use of latrines, safe

FAST FACTS

- International Medical Corps is operating 22 mobile medical units (MMUs) that have provided services to more than 810,000 internally displaced persons (IDPs) settled in 26 IDP sites, as well as to affected host communities in the Afar, Amhara and Tigray regions.
- International Medical Corps' MMUs are providing integrated health, nutrition, gender-based violence (GBV), mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS), and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) services.
- We are conducting assessments in newly accessible areas of Western Tigray.
- We are continuing to provide mobile health and nutrition team (MHNT) services in Adiarkay.

household water handling and prevention of COVID-19. Our teams have also resumed providing services in Adwa, Aksum and Sheraro in the urban areas.

International Medical Corps continues to explore all options to procure and transport drugs to our MMUs and support health facilities, in an ongoing effort to maintain medical services and continuity of healthcare.

Since the beginning of our response, our MMUs have screened 366,553 children under 5 and PLWs for acute malnutrition. Of the children and PLWs screened, 147,863 were in Tigray, 98,235 were in Dansha, 76,523 were in Afar and 43,932 were in Amhara. The proxy prevalence of moderate acute malnutrition for children under 5 and PLWs is 13% and 35% respectively, while the prevalence of severe acute malnutrition is 3%.

International Medical Corps MMUs have provided 563,688 outpatient consultations, with 262,382 in Shire, Tigray; 149,958 in Dansha (in Kafta, Tegede and Wolkait humeras); 95,792 in Amhara (Dabat, Debark Dessie and Kombolcha); and 55,556 in Afar.