iMMAP Provision of Information Management Support to Humanitarian Sectors in Ethiopia

The past three years witnessed major changes in Ethiopia's governance landscape.
The transformations, stemming from calls for greater economic and political reforms, upended the political status quo. At the peak of the displacement crisis between January and April 2019, conflict and climate shocks left some 3.2 million people displaced.

2.1 million conflict-induced IDPs were returned, integrated and relocated by end of May 2019, according to government sources.

Ethiopia

During the public health disease outbreaks of 2017, prima in the Somali region, iMMAP provided surge capacity to supp Bth
Emergencies Programme (WHE) as well as the Ethiopian Health Cluster, comprised of international, national and governmental partners. iMMAP facilitated the implementation of routine data collection systems and analysis for activities including public health outbreak alert investigations, monitoring and supportive supervision assessments, partner activity and capacity mapping, and epidemiological trend analysis. iMMAP has provided continued support to WHO and the Health Cluster with the introduction and implementation of Public Health Information Services (PHIS) standards.

However, as of November 2019, partners estimated that close to 2 million people are facing some form of displacement enduced by conflict or climate change.
Conflict and climatic shocks negatively impacted people's daily lives, livelihoods and their ability to meet their basic needs.
This has resulted in an estimated number of 8.4 million people in need of humanitarian assistance for 2020.

Source: HNO 2020

iMMAP Ethiopia

Since May 2017, iMMAP has been supporting the humanitarian community and the government in Ethiopia with information management (IM), mapping, and analysis services to assist decision makers in planning and implementing the emergency response.

The main goal of this project is to support the response to the ongoing crisis in Ethiopia by strengthening the IM capacity of sector members in their response, advance the mechanism for regularly identifying needs of populations, and provide better data to the intersectoral coordination mechanism led by OCHA.

Years of presence in Ethiopia:
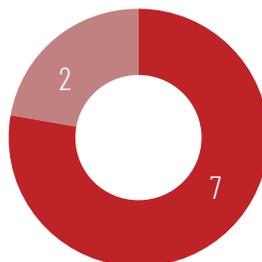**Since 2017**

Donor: **USAID**

Current project: **iMMAP Provision of Information Management Support to Humanitarian Sectors in Ethiopia**
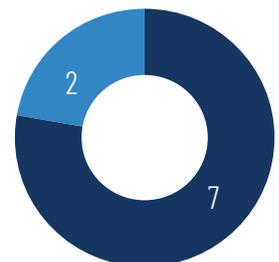
Project budget:
USD 700,000

Number of partners iMMAP currently supports: **5**

9
Number of staff

Female
Male

2
7

National
International

2
7

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Progress

iMMAP's information management products and services helped inform partners' geographical operational presence across all iMMAP supported clusters, resulting in a better coordinated response that minimized duplication of efforts and gaps. The support also enabled the improvement of data sharing across the humanitarian landscape, and the delivery of quality reports for planning, response monitoring and evidence-based decision making.

Cluster Support

iMMAP has supported humanitarian clusters in systematic and consistent collection of response data and generating a number of informative products such as monthly HRP monitoring dashboard, partner operational presence maps, gap analysis and mapping humanitarian access. iMMAP Health Cluster IMOs have developed a robust online Health Cluster Information System (HCIM) that harmonizes partners reporting requirements to the cluster, automatizing the workflow and supporting informed decision making within the humanitarian community.

COVID-19 Response

iMMAP supports humanitarian clusters in mapping the impact of COVID-19 on planned and ongoing response activities, contributing to the preparation of the multisectoral preparedness and response plan. The support will continue through the revision of HRP 2020 to incorporate the COVID-19 response activities. iMMAP IMOs are supporting their respective clusters by developing tools to monitor the situation and the response to COVID-19. iMMAP is also supporting the Federal Emergency Coordination Center (ECC) led by the National Disaster Risk Management Commission (NDRMC) through developing briefings to partners and donors and drafting regular situation reports to facilitate the coordination, among other activities.

Government Support

In addition to the COVID-19 response support, the iMMAP IMOs played a crucial role in establishing the information flow between humanitarian coordination and the government, enhancing collaboration around the HNO/HRP and reactivating the Early Warning Working at NDRMC. iMMAP has also been supporting the regional governments of Oromia and Somali to reinforce field level coordination and information flow between national and sub-national clusters.
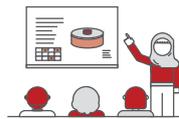
Oromia National Regional State   Somali National Regional State

Capacity Building

As part of the national capacity strengthening, all cluster IMOs have conducted training to the cluster partners in the field. As a result, there has been an overall improvement in the quality of 5Ws data across all the iMMAP supported clusters and respective partners.

Outcomes

The project increased the availability and quality of critical data to inform programming, enabling humanitarian responders to work with improved analysis to make evidence-based, life saving humanitarian response decisions as seen during the HNO process through the use of new tools and improved capacity across partner organizations.

Clusters Supported

Agriculture   Coordination   Shelter

63 **Humanitarian organizations supported by iMMAP**