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Two Health Centres in Abergele, Tigray Reconstructed to Better Serve Communities

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- The reconstructed Gera Health Centre now also has the new toilet block to improve the sanitary conditions

The Jijike and Gera Health Centres in Abergele, Tigray, have been successfully reconstructed after suffering extensive damage due to conflict. This reconstruction was made possible through the Government of Ethiopia's Response-Recovery-Resilience for Conflict Affected Communities in Ethiopia (3R4CACE) Project, which is financed by the World Bank and implemented by UNOPS. Better health services now can be provided for 22,500 citizens residing in this community.

Due to the conflict and lack of maintenance, the both health facilities suffered from damaged roofs, walls, floors, and joinery. As part of the 3R4CACE Project, UNOPS conducted the necessary works to restore and improve the quality of services. The Jijike Health Centre serves 12,500 citizens, where 34 health staff provide care for 85 outpatients every day. The reconstruction covered installation of doors and windows, roofing, painting and rehabilitation of floors, drainage and water pipes. For the first time, the entrance ramps have been constructed to allow access for the persons with walking difficulties. The total value of this reconstruction including labour, construction material and logistics amount to USD 70,000.



Another conflict-affected facility, the Gera Health Centre, has been also reconstructed as part of the rapid response activities of the 3R4CACE Project. Besides the roofing, floors, and repairing of the walls, the facility now also has the new toilet block to improve the sanitary conditions for the 10,000 patients and 30 health staff. The total cost of this reconstruction, including labor, construction materials, and logistics, amounted to approximately USD 40,000.

The Response-Recovery-Resilience for Conflict Affected Communities in Ethiopia (3R4CACE) Project of the Government of Ethiopia financed by the World Bank with USD 300 million, aims to (i) rebuild and improve access to basic services and climate-resilient community infrastructure and (ii) improve access to multi-sectoral response services for Gender-Based Violence (GBV) survivors; in selected conflict-affected communities in Ethiopia.

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