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## Over 18,000 People in Megab, Tigray Have Better Conditions for Health and Education

Megab Primary School and Megab Health Centre successfully reconstructed within Government of Ethiopia 3R4CACE Project financed by the World Bank.

- UNOPS implemented works in the Megab Primary School improving conditions for 912 students and 33 staff
- The reconstructed Megab Health Centre will better serve 18,450 people in this community

The Megab Primary School and Health Centre in Hawzen, Tigray, have been successfully reconstructed after suffering extensive damage due to conflict. Both institutions were reconstructed 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 educational and health services now can be provided for the 18,450 people in this community.

The Megab Primary School with 912 students and 33 staff has 14 building blocks which were impacted due to the conflict and lack of maintenance. Within the 3R4CACE Project, the rapid response works were done by UNOPS to restore and improve the conditions for quality education. The works included the repair of the roof, walls, floors, replacement of windows and doors, installation of new electrical wiring system and firefighting equipment, with improvements done on the sanitary conditions and access to water. The value of this reconstruction including the labour, construction material and logistics was some USD 127,000.

Another conflict-affected facility, the Megab Health Centre with five blocks has been also reconstructed as part of the rapid response activities of the 3R4CACE Project. The works included repairs on the roof, floors, walls, while the facility now also has improved sanitary







conditions to serve 18,450 people in this community and 26 health centre staff. The total cost of this reconstruction, including labor, construction materials, and logistics, amounted to approximately USD 180,000.

The Response-Recovery-Resilience for Conflict Affected Communities in Ethiopia (3R4CACE) Project 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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