# WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE (WASH)

Water, sanitation, and hygiene continue to be a major focus of WHH's work to date. It addresses the fundamental needs of the people we work with in rural, semi-rural urban contexts, with a focus on small holder farmers, agro/ pastoralists, and the most vulnerable groups. As an underlying cause of malnutrition in Ethiopia, we integrate/embed nutrition knowledge into WASH programmes. Emphasis is given to sustainable service delivery systems, to maximize return on investment into WASH infrastructures.

#### Our priorities and approaches

- Sustainability of WaSH services
- Strengthening of WASH systems
- Wash systems strengthening approach
- Whole sanitation value chain
- Digital data gathering
- Nexus between WASH, agriculture, Natural Resources Management, and income generation opportunities

#### **Objectives**

- Increased access and use of safely managed water and sanitation facilities by target households and public institutes (schools and health facilities)
- Improved sustainability of WaSH services through integrating 'Sustainable Service Initiative' in our WaSH projects/program

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## **AGRICULTURE & ENVIROMENT**

Through improved agricultural practices, natural resource management linked to income generating activities, market integration, processing and marketing of agricultural products, and nutrition education we aim to improve the food and nutrition security of smallholders.

#### Our priorities and approaches

- Promotion of improved and sustainable agricultural practices
- Improve harvest techniques and post-harvest management
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- Intensify engagement in biodiversity conservation and natural resource management
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- Improve livestock production and animal husbandry

#### **Objectives**

 Increased production and productivity of diverse food by targeted smallholders

- improve food crop diversification and
- improve household resilience to drought.
- Diversified and quality livestock production
- Promotion of marketing value chain among pastoralists and agro-pastoralists
- Scale up interventions in biodiversity conservation and natural resource management

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### LIVELIHOODS, ECONOMIC EMPOWEMENT & LAND RIGHTS

By creating business opportunities for women and landless youth and by giving them a voice in discussions between civil society organisations (CSOs) and governments of various levels. We ensure that the rights of these marginalized groups are upheld. Our priorities and approaches

- Improved access to micro-credit service to smallholders and landless youth
- Cooperative promotion among smallholders and landless youth
- Piloting of new business model projects

#### Our priorities and approaches

- Civil society empowerment and promotion
- Women and youth empowerment
- Advocacy

#### **Objectives**

 Diversified income generation opportunities for smallholder farmers and pastoralists with focus on women and landless youth

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### **HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE, RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE BUILDING**

Welthungerhilfe works together with CSOs, the international community and the government of Ethiopia in addressing humanitarian crisis by providing immediate emergency relief to people affected by crisis in the intervention areas. To complement this, we address the underlying causes of disasters with long-term programming linking relief, rehabilitation and sustainable development.

#### Our priorities and approaches

- Life-saving activities for humans and livestock
- WASH in Emergencies,
- Cash Based interventions,
- Protection of Livelihoods

#### **Objective**

 Households affected by humanitarian crisis have access to emergency WaSH interventions and have secured their core livelihoods

- Establishing community based structures for efficient
- Disaster Management and Preparedness, in close cooperation with government authorities
- Reinforcing early warning systems and rapid response mechanisms

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### **CIVIL SOCIETY, EMPOWERMENT-LOCALIZATION**

Welthungerhilfe is convinced that only the humanitarian aid and development actors in the programme countries themselves are able to fashion and ensure societal change and development in a sustainable manner. Civil society capacities are present everywhere. They must be identified and their capacities strengthened. The significance of partnerships

#### The significance of partnerships

Welthungerhilfe seeks long-term partnerships with common and mutual benefits and responsibilities. The overall objective of these partnerships is the empowerment of marginalized populations, through independent civil society organisations acting as agents of change. The cooperating principles are mutual respect, trust, appreciation, honesty, dialog, no discrimination, accountability, and transparency

#### Our priorities and approaches

- Civil Society Promotion
- Advocacy

Women empowerment

#### **Objectives**

- Improved capacity of CSOs in project management and advocacy
- Target community members, Government and other actors sensitized on the 'right to food'
- Increased women's participation in decision making role at community level

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### **NUTRITION**

Nutrition education is at the core of our programme as a linking element between sectors to contribute towards Sustainable Food and Nutrition Security (SFNS). Focusing on messages of the Essential Nutrition Action (ENA) for the wider community, nutrition promotion is carried out in the communities, schools and health facilities, mainly in cooperation with the government Health Extension workers

#### **Objectives**

- Increased household income through improved agronomic practices and productivity
- Improved household food and nutrition security
- Decreased soil erosion and natural resource degradation

#### Our priorities and approaches

- Promotion of improved and sustainable agricultural practices
- Improve harvest techniques and post-harvest management
- Intensify engagement in biodiversity conservation and natural resource management
- Improve livestock production and animal husbandry

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### CIVIL SOCIETY CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

With capacity development programmes for local and grassroot CSOs we aim to strengthen their governance and development roles. By enabling CSOs to engage in evidence-based policy dialogue and to influence national, regional, and local reform processes, we support them in becoming active actors of governance and development and thus contribute to a strong civil society landscape.

- Strengthen operational & financial management skills of CSOs.
- Strengthening Exchange and learning
- Capacity strengthening regarding rights-based work

#### **Objectives**

- Improve the technical and financial capacities of CSOs
- Strengthen their skills and capacity to engage in evidence-based policy advocacy, democratic processes and conflict transformation.

#### **Strategies**

- Financial Support
- Building platforms and partnerships

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