



Ethiopia

Summary of country engagement at SWA

Priority country : Systems & Finance

Ethiopia joined SWA in 2010. The main instrument for the government for achieving the SDGs WASH targets is the One WASH National Programme (OWNP) . The main purpose of the programme is to contribute towards improving the health, well-being and economic growth of both rural and urban populations by increasing water supply and sanitation access and adoption of good hygiene practices in an equitable and sustainable manner. Through the OWNP, the WASH is addressed as integrated package (one plan, one budget and one report) between government , Development partners and the community. The First phase of the OWNP was concluded on June 2019 and the second phase (2019-2024) envisaged with five major components, Viz., Rural-WASH, Urban-WASH, Institutional-WASH, Climate Resilient - WASH and Capacity Development in WASH Sector, is on progress as of July 2019 aiming to address unserved population and improve service delivery efficiency to meet the SDGs. The Climate Resilient WASH (CR-WASH) service is aimed at acclerating access to sustinable water supply and sanitation services to people and livestock in arid and semi-arid parts of the country. Ethiopia has also officially launched an Open Defecation Free Campaign (2020-2024) which will increase access to basic sanitation facilities and help eliminate open defecation in the country at the end of 2024 on Nov. 2019. Integerated City-wide sanitation services provision and urban greenary projects are another category of grand projects on progress to promote urban sanitation.

Commitments by the government

Commitment	Body / Organizations	Target Year	Progress Description	Constituency	Progress
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Establish clear and concrete strategic milestones for the establishment of the regulatory agency.	Minister of Water and Energy	2020		Government	Reviewing progress
Establish country-wide, coordinated, inclusive, well managed, standardized and monitored school and health facility WASH implementation package.	Minister of Water and Energy	2020		Government	Reviewing progress
Improve the enabling environment for the private sector and build its capacity to provide high level technical water supply solutions.	Minister of Water and Energy	2020		Government	Reviewing progress

Increase the water supply financing from the current financial status in order to achieve the set targets of GTP II and SDG requirements and standards. Also, diversify financing modalities (3ts – taxes, tariffs, transfers, blended financing, climate and humanitarian nexus funding).	Minister of Water and Energy	2020		Government	50%
Rollout national strategies and campaign to eliminate open defecation in rural and urban to improve access to basic sanitation levels.	Minister of Water and Energy	2020		Government	Reviewing prog

Upscale the implementation of the Climate-Resilient WASH and Water Safety Planning to each new water supply project and select old most vulnerable and top priority water supplies in rural and urban areas.	Ministry of Water Irrigation and Electricity	2020		Government	Reviewing prog
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