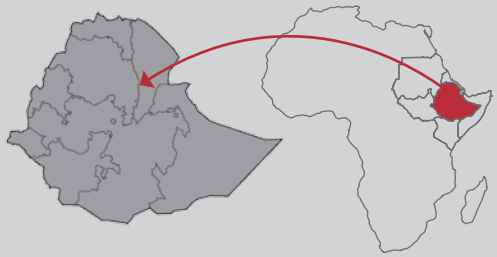


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Ethiopia



VSF G was officially registered in Ethiopia in 2010 after having started a partnership with the national NGO EPARDA in 2009 for a cross-border project in Marsabit / Kenya and south Omo /Ethiopia, the ECHO funded project “improved community response to drought”. VSF G is now registered as a foreign charity and started own project implementations in SNNPR (Southern Nations, Nationalities, and Peoples’ Region) in two woredas (=counties) of the south Omo Zone, Hamer and Dassenech. VSF G aims at enhancing sustainable socio-



The Photo illustrates preserving fish using common salt

Livestock plays an important economic and socio-cultural role among many Ethiopian communities. The livestock sub-sector contributes to the food and cash needs of the farmers, and provides employment to about 85%, contributes to GDP of the country. Both crop farmers and pastoralists keep livestock for food and income generation.



Vaccination campaign in Afar Region



Meat distribution in drought affected Communities in Afdera



Feeding of lactating and pregnant Goats in Afar Region

economic growth and increased resilience amongst pastoralists and agro-pastoralists communities. The approach has been to improve food security and livelihoods of vulnerable population through contributing to improved animal health status, asset based community development, to enhance local capacities in veterinary and animal health interventions, peace building, conflict resolution and reconciliation, economic recovery and job creation, disaster risk reduction and response, increased resilience to shocks, strengthening community based natural resource management and asset protection among others. VSF G then expanded its implementation to Afar in 2012. Now we are in three districts of zone two (Afdera, Aba’ala and Berehale) and in 2013 we extended to two more districts of zone two (Megale and Erebt), so in zone 2 of the Afar region VSF G implemented in 5 districts out of 7. Currently VSF G is implementing three projects in Ethiopia (one in South Omo, SNNPR) and two in Afar.

Activities:

- Improve agro-pastoralists (small holder farmers) in resilience through improved farming practices of small scale irrigation and fishing in Dassenech Woreda of south Omo Zone, SNNPR. This project is funded by DFID through FAO Ethiopia.
- Multi-sectoral and Integrated Community based Resilience Building Project in Afar Region. This project is funded by ECHO. The overall objective is to increase access and quality of services to health, nutrition, WASH and livelihood security of vulnerable households, living in drought prone and chronically food insecure woredas of the Afar Region.
- Strengthening drought resilience through fishing practices around Tendaho reservoir in Mille district of the Afar region. This project is funded by GIZ . The overall objective (impact of this action) is to contribute to building drought resilience of communities by exploring alternative sources of food.