#### **Context**

Ethiopia is committed to transforming the country and achieving inclusive growth and poverty reduction. Despite Ethiopia's strong economic growth and social development over the past decade, Ethiopia still remains among the world's poorest countries. Despite improvements, but particularly tested again by 'El Niño', Ethiopia's

persistent food insecurity and the related high population pressure remain key challenges which the embassy is trying to address. Ethiopia is a transition country in Dutch foreign policy. The Dutch embassy merges development cooperation with economic diplomacy, most prominently in the agro sector.

#### **Developments in Ethiopia**

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Progress, but not on track

No progress

Increased sustainable food production

More efficient markets and an improved (agro) business climate

More quality healthcare services

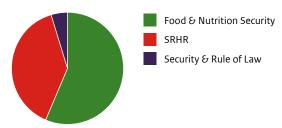
Access to reproductive health commodities

Effective rule of law

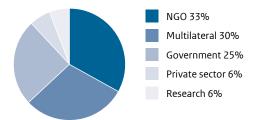
Less exposure of women and girls to violence and access to appropriate services for victims

# Expenditures 2015 per theme

Total expenditure Embassy € 56.979.097



## **Expenditures 2015 per channel**



#### Key results of the embassy in Ethiopia

# Food & Nutrition Security

- The support for the Productive Safety Net Programme (PSNP) has been the Dutch embassy's main contribution to reducing hunger and malnutrition. Many PSNP clients were affected by the El Niño drought, but so far the programme has protected them from food scarcity. The embassy has also been instrumental in mobilising timely humanitarian aid.
- The Dutch embassy has adopted a four-pronged approach to helping the country achieve inclusive and sustainable agricultural growth: cofinancing government; support for bilateral projects assisting thematic government programmes; support for value chain development projects; and developing agribusiness. The Ethiopian government welcomes this support, which is enhancing synergy.

# Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

 The number of franchise clinics providing SRHR services supported by the Family Guidance Association of Ethiopia (FGAE) and Marie Stopes International Ethiopia (MSIE) increased to 931 in 2015 (from 725 in the previous year). More women now have better access to family planning, antenatal care and delivery services.

# Security & Rule of Law

 The rule of law programme has trained more than 1,000 members of the judiciary (police, judges and prosecutors), increasing their professionalism and boosting public confidence.

# Women's Rights & Gender Equality

- With help from the Dutch embassy, the UNFPA provided shelter for more than 600 female victims of Gender Based Violence and 120 of their children. In addition,163 legal cases received followup and 184 women were assisted with economic empowerment.
- The level of Couple Years of Protection (CYP, the estimated level of protection against pregnancy provided by contraceptive methods during a one-year period) achieved by embassysupported programmes increased by over 25% (from 4,009,000 in 2014 to 5,015,000 in 2015).

### Interpretation of the results in context

The drought caused by El Niño had a negative impact on food security in 2015. Nevertheless, major famine has so far been averted by the efforts of the PSNP (supported by the embassy and run by the Ethiopian government, World Food Programme and

development partners). Eight million PSNP clients and 10 million recipients of international humanitarian aid have received food and other forms of assistance.

### Glimpse into the future

To further reduce Ethiopia's dependency on humanitarian aid in the future the embassy will scan its current bilateral projects on sustainability including climate change, to see where it is possible to enhance their ecological sustainability. This can take place in conjunction with the drive to make the Agricultural Growth Project more climate smart.