



# Programme of Action

Development of Resilience Empowering Measures for Ethiopian Lowlands  
(DREAM) Conference

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## Working Groups and Actions Plan

During the DREAM I conference five working groups were established. Their action plans are as follows:

### I Participatory Planning (PP) with Pastoral and Agro-pastoral Communities

Action Plan: Participatory Planning				
No.	Activities	Expected Output	Deadline of Implementation	Responsible Partners
1	Organizing second session of working group for finalizing action plan	Final action plan formulated, clear roles and responsibilities shared	November 2019	
2	Knowledge exchange on PP to improve field guide (national/regional)	Harmonized knowledge for the working group, the responsible departments and respective decision makers	February 2020	Ministry of Agriculture (MoA); Bureau of Finance and Economic Development (BoFED); GIZ-SDR; Ministry of Peace (MoP); Bureau of Livestock, Agriculture and Natural Resource Development, Afar Regional State (BoLAND); Pastoral Area Development Coordination Commission and other
3	Household level assessment for participatory community planning	Accessible rudimentary data collected and analyzed	February 2020	Regional and Woreda institutions
4	Finalization of PP guideline manual for the lowlands of Ethiopia	Participatory planning guideline manual draft available	March 2020	MoA; GIZ-SDR; Federal Planning Commission; MoP; BoLAND; Pastoral Area Development Coordination Commission; Mekelle University

5	Conducting awareness raising on PP events at community level	Community members mobilized through awareness raising campaign	March 2020	Regional and Woreda institutions
6	Conducting trainings on PP for CBO's	PP trainings provided to 1000 skilled CBO members	March 2020	Regional and Woreda institutions
7	Conducting knowledge and skill training for testing the PP manual with local service providers on the job	Draft manual tested & service providers' skills improved	March – April 2020	MoA; GIZ-SDR; MoP; BoLAND; Pastoral Area Development Coordination Commission and other relevant actors; Mekelle University
8	Preparing approval of community activity plans by Woreda cabinets	Communities approved the plan	April 2020	Regional and Woreda institutions
9	Summarizing results from PP process (problems & priority lists & plans)	Organized data available for stakeholders	May 2020	Regional and Woreda institutions
10	Organizing experience sharing events (Woreda/communities)	Best practices shared, and common understanding created at woreda/community level	September 2020	Federal, Regional and Woreda institutions
11	Presenting the PP manual to decision makers during DREAM II Conference in Jijiga	PP manual draft acknowledged	November 2020	Regional and Woreda institutions
12	Joint monitoring of working group action plan	Action plan of the working group reviewed, and planed activities implemented	Ongoing until end of 2020	All stakeholders

## II Biological and Physical Land Rehabilitation

Action plan: Biological and Physical Land Rehabilitation				
No.	Activities	Expected Output	Deadline of Implementation	Responsible Partners
1	Creation and advancement of land rehabilitation platform	Knowledge exchange platform established, expanded and functional	----	MoA, BoLAND (Afar), BoPAD (Somali Region), Research Institutes (APARI, SoRPARI), Universities (Mekelle, Semera, Jigjiga), Pastoral and agropastoral offices (PADO), GIZ SDR, BDA, AFDESE, International Crop Research Institute for Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)
2	Forming a core group of the partner organizations and institutions, actively contributing in the area of biological & physical land rehabilitation activities	Focal persons nominated by each of the listed institutions	January 2020	
3	Coordinating work of core group	A platform structure is set up and suitable access modalities and rights are implemented for core group		
4	Initiating the process of selection of watersheds	2 watersheds from two regions ready for activities	January 2020	
5	Selecting actors and capacity building	Selected local actors supported for improving and/or retaining their skills and knowledge; tools and other resources made available for performance of their job		
6	Development of guideline and documentary requirements and their testing	Guidelines for population and peer review mechanisms drafted and made available, local language and translation requirements are considered	February 2020	
7	Watershed actors plan	Plan of appropriate technologies and design developed	15 <sup>th</sup> February 2020	
8	Collecting information/rudimentary data	Practical land rehabilitation know-how for the lowlands gathered	February – April 2020	
9	Execution of designed technologies	Designed technologies applied	March 2020	

10	Orientation and review phase	Monitoring and feedback loops for information pull and usage are in place	April – September 2020	
11	Developing cascade planning tools and guidelines on community based participatory watershed and rangeland	The necessary cascade planning tools developed	----	
12	Monitoring and evaluation of designed technologies performance	Designed technologies evaluated on their practical performance	April – August 2020	
13	Developing guideline	Guideline edited and ratified	September 2020	

### III Rangeland Rehabilitation

Action Plan: Rangeland Rehabilitation					
No.	Activities	Expected Output	Deadline of Implementation	Lead organization	Organization involved
1	Reaching consensus on participatory rangeland management (PRM) planning process in line with Woreda participatory land use planning in pastoral and agro-pastoral areas (WPLUP Manual)	PRM plans developed for demarcated rangelands in 3 Woredas	April 2020	BoLAND intl. Bilateral and NGOs	Universities and regional research institutes
	Building of capacities how to carry out PRM in line with WPLUP manual through consultants or NGOs		July 2020		
2	Drafting plans PRM for selected demarcated rangeland areas in cooperation with communities (consultants or NGOs)		October 2020		
3	Endorsing PRM plans in cooperation with communities		December 2020		
4	Implementing rangeland management	Customary rangeland institutions revitalized, and their management capabilities strengthened in 3 woredas	April 2021	BoLAND	Community, DA local government, DA BoLAND, international & bilateral and NGOs DA BoLAND, international Bilateral and NGOs,
5	Signing agreement with industries and feed processors	Industrial level invasive species utilization started in 3 woredas	April 2020	BoLAND international and bilateral cooperation and NGOs	Cement factories, BoLAND, international & Bilateral and NGOs, feed processors, community-based organization (CBO)
6	Starting Investment		October 2020		

#### IV Livelihood development

Action plan: Transforming Livelihoods in the Lowlands of Afar and Somali Regions				
No.	Activities	Expected Output	Deadline of Implementation	Organizations involved
1	Tendering for a consultancy	A multi-stakeholder consensus and implementation pathway for the upscaling of the Dry Valley Rehabilitation approach using a transformative scenario planning process	February 2020	BoLAND - Afar, BLNRM – Somali Region, Woreda Offices for Agriculture, MOA, ICRISAT, GIZ, International Fund For Agriculture Development (IFAD), United States Agency for Intenational Development (USAID), FSA, Aged and Childern pastoralists Association (ACPA), community member representatives
2	Consultant: field assessment and desk preparation		April 2020	
3	1st Transformative Scenario Planning Workshop		May 2020	
4	Feedback to Working Group		May 2020	
5	2nd Transformative Scenario Planning Workshop		June 2020	
6	Feedback to Working Group		June 2020	
7	3rd and final Transformative Scenario Planning Workshop with stakeholder action plan for the upscaling of the DVR approach		July 2020	
8	Synthesis and feedback to Working Group and Stakeholders		July 2020	
9	Submission of draft and final report elaborating the agreed upon roles and responsibilities		August 2020	

## V Water Supply and Disaster Risk Management

Action plan: Water and Solar Hub (WASH+)						
No.	Activities	Expected Output	Deadline of Implementation	Actors - owners	Actors - collaborators	Actors - responsibility by
1	Establishing WASH+ Action Group	Action Group established	November 2019	Regional Water Bureau, Regional Bureau Livestock, Agriculture and Natural Resource Development	WASH+ network members	GIZ
2	Strengthening stakeholder participation at the Regional WASH Cluster	Joint-planning, shared learnings, joint-financing and advocacy for an increase in the govt. O&M budget	November 2019	Regional Water Bureau	Water TWG partners	Regional Water Bureau
3	Field assessment and prioritization of 25 boreholes requiring solarization in 8 woreda	Prioritized woredas for boreholes rehabilitation	January 2020	Woreda Administration	GIZ, Regional Water Bureau, Agriculture Bureau, AISDA	GIZ, AISDA, Woreda Administration
4	Training on proposal writing	Improved skills in proposal writing of officials in 8 woredas	February 2020	Woreda Administration	Regional Water Bureau, Agriculture Bureau	GIZ, Woreda Administration
5	Finalize WASH+ Action Plan	Action Plan completed	March 2020	Regional Water Bureau, Regional Bureau Livestock, Agriculture and Natural Resource Development	WASH+ network members	GIZ
6	Proposal developed workshop with Woreda officials for the solarization of 25 boreholes in 8 woredas	Proposal completed and submitted to donors	March – April 2020	Woreda Administration	Regional Water Bureau, Agriculture Bureau	GIZ, Woreda Administration



7	Reviewing technical and social assessment of non-functional boreholes, toilets and handwashing stations	Equity of support across woredas ensured and coordinated with stakeholders to avoid duplication	April 2020	Regional Water Bureau	USA Lowland Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Project, United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)	Regional Water Bureau
8	Supporting the establishment of a Woreda Water Forum	Activities coordinated, economies of scale utilized, cost sharing, streamlining and byelaws enforced,	May 2020	Woreda Administration		Woreda Water, GIZ, IRC WASH
9	Supporting engagement of WASH community-based management committees	Awareness raised, and local communities empowered	May 2020	Community leaders, Woreda Water and Women Offices	WASH partners	Woreda Water, GIZ, IRC WASH
10	Supporting engagement of Fodder Cooperatives	Awareness and empowerment of the local communities raised, market linkages established	May 2020	Community leaders, PADO and Women Offices		PADO, GIZ,
11	Strengthening zonal level maintenance teams	Capacity development/ training supported; technical equipment and logistics installed	June 2020	Regional Water Bureau	GIZ, UNICEF, AISDA, USAID, USA Lowland WASH, IRC WASH, University of Semara and Ethiopia Water Tech. Institute	Regional Water Bureau
12	Developing public-private partnerships	Sustainable WASH supply chain partnerships facilitated	June 2020	National Water Bureau	Ethiopia Water Tech Inst. (maintenance and spare parts training) + private companies + financial institutions	National Water Bureau



13	Equipping and rehabilitating deep boreholes, including WASH activities and fodder production	100 functional and operational boreholes				
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