



BEFORE & AFTER

Reorganization in Harari Region Increases Storage Capacity by 120 Percent

Located 565 kilometers east of Addis Ababa, the Harari Regional Health Bureau (HRHB) manages two regional warehouses.

These regional warehouses have become much easier to navigate. Storage areas are clearly marked on each aisle, shelf, and sub-shelf. By referencing storage locations on stock and bin cards, workers can quickly and easily ensure proper placement of each commodity.

With new racking systems in place, products are safely stored, which will help minimize the number of damaged products. Workers are also better positioned to reduce expiries by applying first-to-expire, first-out (FEFO).

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BEFORE The warehouses for HRHB's drugs and medical supplies appeared to be poorly managed. Improper storage and gaps in technical skills led to damaged and improperly managed health commodities. The Regional Health Bureau asked the USAID | DELIVER PROJECT to assess the situation and provide technical support to improve conditions.



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AFTER After careful reorganization, both warehouses were outfitted with standard storage shelving units. The USAID | DELIVER PROJECT (technical assistance), Managing Medical Injections Safer (MMIS) project, and MSH's RPM Plus (funding) collaborated on this initiative.

To strengthen capacity, the project also provided on-the-job training in storage management to stores and inventory management staff.

The region is pleased that they now have 120 percent additional storage capacity available as a direct result of this important initiative.

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