

Ethiopia Report on ICDP Facilitator Trainings and Outcomes – 2024

1. Overview of Facilitator Trainings

In 2024, five facilitator training sessions were initiated, resulting in 129 newly trained facilitators. Additionally, 25 facilitators from 2023 in Wolayta Sodo and Shasheme, completed their certification. These efforts were conducted across five locations: Addis Ababa, Adama, and Bishoftu in the western part of Addis Ababa. The facilitators engaged with 300 parents and 800 children. Some facilitators are continuing their work with parents and will be certified in 2025.

To support the training efforts, the English manual was translated into Amharic, and 1,000 copies were printed, sponsored by the ICDP International Office.

These training sessions were designed to equip facilitators with the skills needed to promote positive child development and strengthen parent-child relationships.



2. Details of the Trainings

Wolayta Sodo and Shashemene

- Groups: 2
- Facilitators Certified: 25

Addis Ababa (Western South Region of EFGC)

- Groups: 1
- **Progress:** Completed the second part of training. 24

Adama

2 Groups: • Group 1 • Location: Amanuel Church • Participants: 30 facilitators • Children Engaged: 78



• Group 2

- **Location:** Ethiopia Muluwongel Church Adama
- **Participants:** 24 facilitators
- **Children Engaged:** 68



Bishoftu

- **Location:** Ethiopia Muluwongel Church
- **Participants:** 24 facilitators
- **Children Engaged:** 64



3. Parent Groups and Community Impact

- **Parent Groups Established:** 25
- **Parents Recruited:** 300
- **Children Impacted:** Approximately 800

Parents reported significant positive changes in their households, including better communication and stronger relationships with their children.

4. Testimonial

Parents shared their experience during group meetings:

One mother shared: “This training helped me and my children to have peace in our house.”

Another parent reflected: “I used to discourage my child from singing, telling her, ‘Don’t sing.’ But after this showing warmth and love in conversations, and I’m committed to creating a better relationship with my child.”

5. Conclusion

The 2024 ICDP facilitator training program has had a transformative impact on facilitators, parents, and children. By empowering facilitators, the program has fostered

stronger relationships and created more harmonious households, reflecting its effectiveness and long-term potential to improve child development across communities.

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