

*Memorandum of Understanding Between
Oromia Bureau of Finance and Economic Development
Bureau of Water, Mineral and Energy,
Bureau of Health and Bureau of Education*

On

*The Implementation Modality for
Integrated Water Supply, Sanitation and
Hygiene Education (WaSH) Programs in Oromia Region*

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ACRONYMS

ARM	Annual Review Meeting
BCC	Behavior Change Communication
BoFED	Bureau of Finance and Economic Development
DPs	Development Partners
FMoFED:	Federal Ministry of Finance and Economic Development
FMoH:	Federal Ministry of Health
FMoWIR:	Federal Ministry of Water, Irrigation and Resources
HSDP	Health Sector Development Program
HSEP	Health Service Extension Program
IEC	Information, Education & Communication
JTR	Joint Technical Review
MDG	Millennium Development Goal
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
MSF	Multi Stakeholders Forum
NGO	Non Governmental Organization
ODF	Open Defecation Free
OEB	Oromia Education Bureau
OHB	Oromia Health Bureau
OWMEB	Oromia Water, Mineral and Energy Bureau
PIM	Program Implementation Manual
POA	Program Operation Agreement
PTA	Parent Teachers Association
SDPRP:	Sustainable Development and Poverty Reduction Program
SPRP	Strategic Poverty Reduction program
UN	United Nations
WaSH:	Water Supply, Sanitation and Hygiene Education



DEFINITION OF TERMS

CLTSH : Community-Led Total Sanitation and Hygiene is Ethiopia's version of CLTS whereby basic hygiene behaviors, including hand-washing with soap (or substitute) and water at critical times, and safe water handling and treatment at the household level, are also addressed along with the drive to achieve ODF status.

Emergencies: Are calamities that may be caused by natural and/or man-made and that requires the joint intervention of the parties in whole or in part

Fund: Financial assistance derived/ obtained/ from partners in the form of loan, sub-loan and grant

Hygiene Education: is a planned and systematic attempt to provide information to enable people to take action to prevent water and sanitation related illnesses and to maximize the benefits of improved water and sanitation facilities.

Hygiene promotion: is an activity that encourages bringing about behavioral change in an individual or group in promotion of health and prevention of diseases.

Institutions: are organizations such as schools, health facilities, churches, mosques, prisons and others

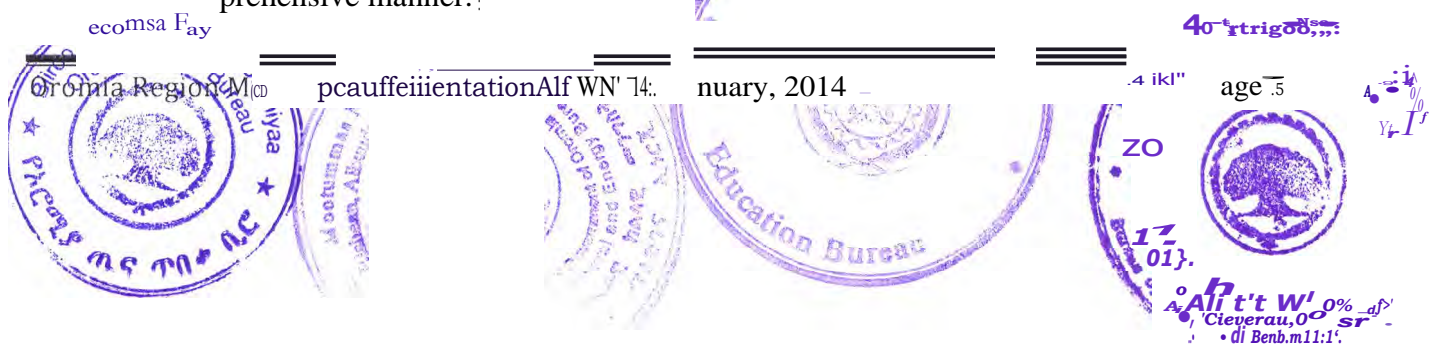
Improved Sanitation and Hygiene: is the process where people transform themselves to demand, develop and sustain a hygienic and healthy environment for themselves by erecting barriers to prevent the transmission of diseases primarily deriving from faecal contamination.

Integration of WaSH: shall mean provision of safe drinking water, sustainable sanitation facilities and hygiene promotion as one package to individuals, groups or institutions to make a maximum use and benefits of the service

Party: shall mean the organizations which have agreed to and entered as signatories to this MoU.

Partners: shall mean any Bilateral or Multi lateral, UN organizations, civil societies and the private sector that undertake WASH programs as their major functions and provide financially, logistically support and knowledge transfer for the advancement of the WaSH.

Program: shall mean the package that contains the provision of safe and adequate water supply, provision of sanitary facilities and the promotion of hygiene behavior in a comprehensive manner.

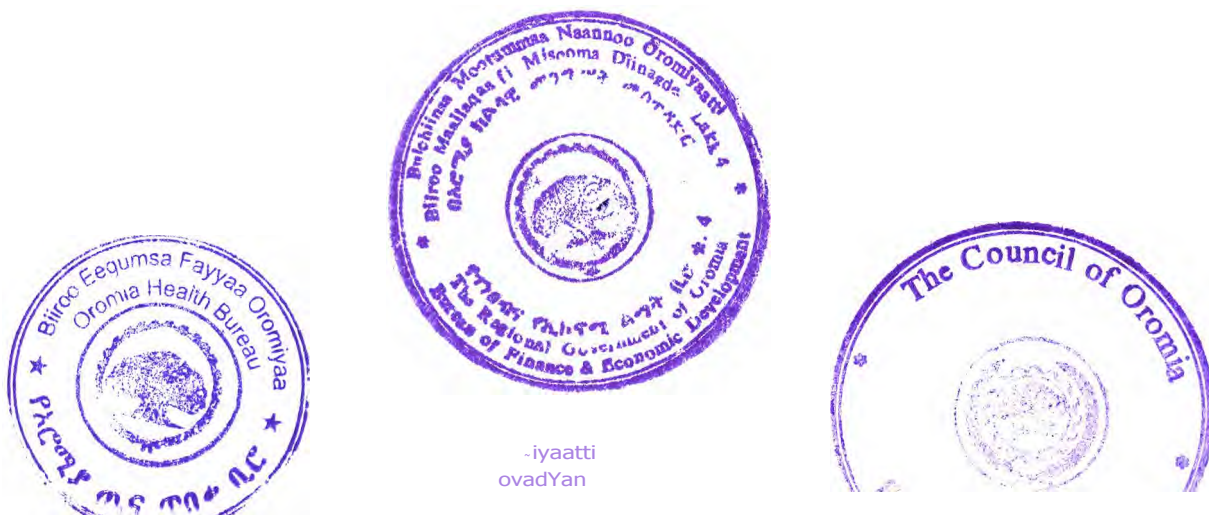


Safe drinking water: means water that meets WHO guidelines for drinking and domestic use.

Sanitary facilities: are those amenities such as toilet, safe solid and liquid waste disposal sites, and structures and supplies that help to maintain good personal hygiene to contain human waste and domestic waste.

Stakeholder: shall mean any organization that shall have direct or indirect influence or participation or contribution or involvement for the implementation of this MoU in the regions. Some of the prominent ones are identified in this MoU.

Water supply schemes: schemes constructed with different technologies such as hand dug well, deep wells, springs etc.... which produces safe drinking water on spot or away from the source.



1.INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

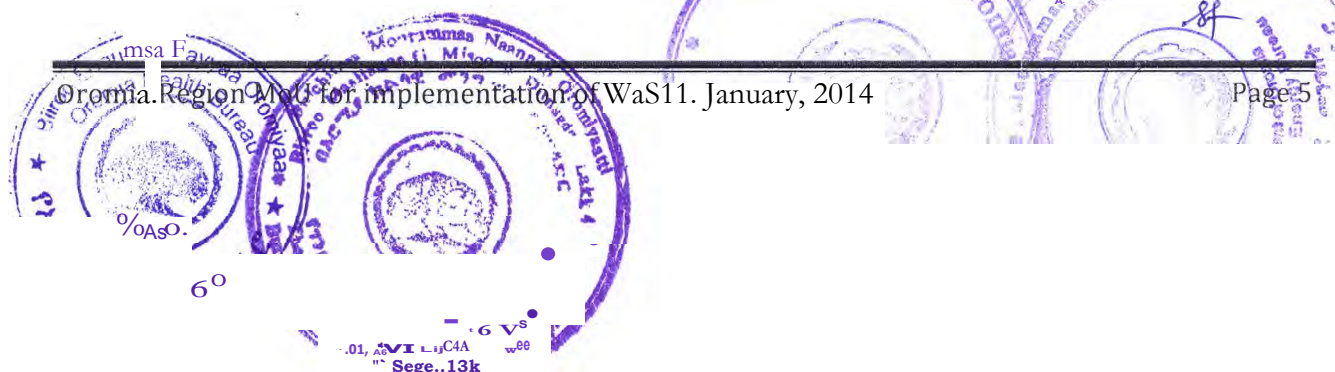
The Government of Ethiopia is committed to fulfilling Target 10 of the Millennium Development Goal 7 that is reducing by halve the proportion of the population without access to safe water supply and basic sanitation by the year 2015, thereby improving the overall health and socio-economic development condition and quality of life of the population, especially children and women.

The provision of safe and adequate water supply and basic sanitation for the population has for reaching effects on health, productivity, quality of life , and at large to reduce poverty and ensure sustainable socio-economic development. As Ethiopia has a vision to reach the level of middle-income countries by the year 2025, provision of these basic necessities as early as possible for the whole population in addition to improving health of the population has a synergetic effect to enhancing the socioeconomic development of the country to achieve its vision. Thus, the country has sent very ambitious and stretched targets of reaching 100% coverage by the year 2015, in providing access to safe water supply and basic sanitation facilities which is now incorporated in GTP.

For long time, the provision of safe water supply and sanitation services and promoting hygiene for the people was undertaken under the responsibilities of different Ministries in uncoordinated manner. However, the problem of safe water supply and provision of sanitary facilities couldn't be addressed without coordination of sectors by this time the Government considered that the interventions in water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) will have more effective impact on health of the beneficiaries when provided as integrated than separate.

Therefore, in order to smooth the progress of integrated implementation of WASH, the four concerned line Regional Bureaus, i.e Oromia regional Health Bureau(OHB), Oromia Education Bureau (BOE), Bureau of water, Mineral and energy and, Bureau of Finance and Economic development signed MoU based on the MoU signed by line Ministries in November, 2012. Hence the four regional government bureaus agreed to align and harmonize their support towards achieving the targets 10 of MDG and GTP.

The purpose of this MoU is to bring the main partners of the WASH sector working in the region, OHB, WMEB, BoE and BoFED together to facilitate their cooperation in joint planning, implementation and monitoring of water supply, sanitation and hygiene promotion (WaSH) in communities, schools and health institutions and al ropmvr and woret-65* line



sector Offices to fulfill their roles and responsibilities, thereby accelerating access to both facilities and hygiene promotion toward the achievement of the MDGs/GTP.

2. The Rationale for the MoU

The rationale for the revision of the MoU includes but not limited to the following

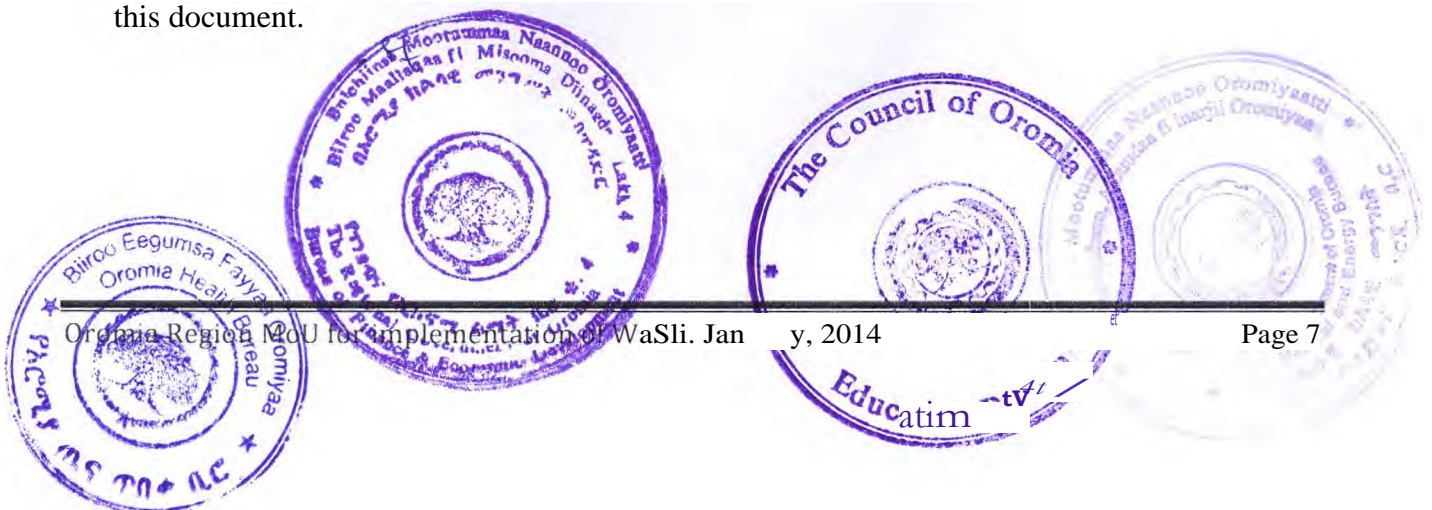
- Universal Access plan (UAP) for water supply and sanitation
- The new GTP in which the UAP water and sanitation are included as sections in place
- Sanitation and hygiene strategy and protocol are developed as basic implementation documents in sanitation and hygiene, which is endorsed as national hygiene and sanitation strategic action plan
- WaSI I Multi-Donors Trust Fund (MDTF) is established and new PIM is under preparation
- The shift of fund flow by the major donors from channel 2 to channel 1 b has enhanced the role of MoFED in the implementation
- MSF and JTR are streamlined into the government activities
- Urban Health Extension program and Health development army structure are launched
- Water and sanitation Forum (WSF) is established by the NGOs
- Need for involvement of the private sector in the WaSH program increased
- MoU signed by Federal WaSH sector Ministries (MoH, MoE, MoFED and MoWE) and expected to be signed among Regional WaSH Sector Bureaus
- National Growth and Transformation plan which encompasses UAP
- Take full advantage of sectors coordination towards achieving MDG and GTP.
- Maximize the involvement of professional association and private sector in the WaSH program implementation.
- Aiming to use the contribution of water and sanitation Forum (WSF) established by the NGO.



a) The following gaps and problems were observed in the previous MoU during implementation

- The regional steering and Technical committee were not well functional
- Regional WaSH coordination office (RWCO) was not formally established
- Integration of hygiene and sanitation with water supply was not given due attention by all sectors at all level
- Key government WaSH sectors stakeholders like BoFED were not included
- Area of Collaborations were not sufficiently elaborated
- No clear mechanism was put in place to make the signatory parties accountable for the timely implementation of the agreed MoU ;
- The MoU was not properly exploited to serve as an instrument to achieve the WaSH objectives of the PAESDP
- Zones, woredas and Kebels were not actively participated in the WaSH structure and MoU was not well internalized by all level of implementers.
- Urban WaSH was not addressed properly;
- Although included in the MoU, donors and CSOs were not actively involved in the WaSH implementation
- Professional associations and the private sector organizations were not incorporated into the MoU;
- Cross cutting issues that have substantive impact on WaSH such as environmental issues, HIV/AIDS and gender issues were not properly addressed or mainstreamed.
- Pastoralist area were not sufficiently addressed

b) In line with the provision made in the MoU (Section 7) the revision can be made upon the request of any of the signatory parties. Accordingly, the MoU signed in 2006 is replaced with this document.



3. Rationale for Integration of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

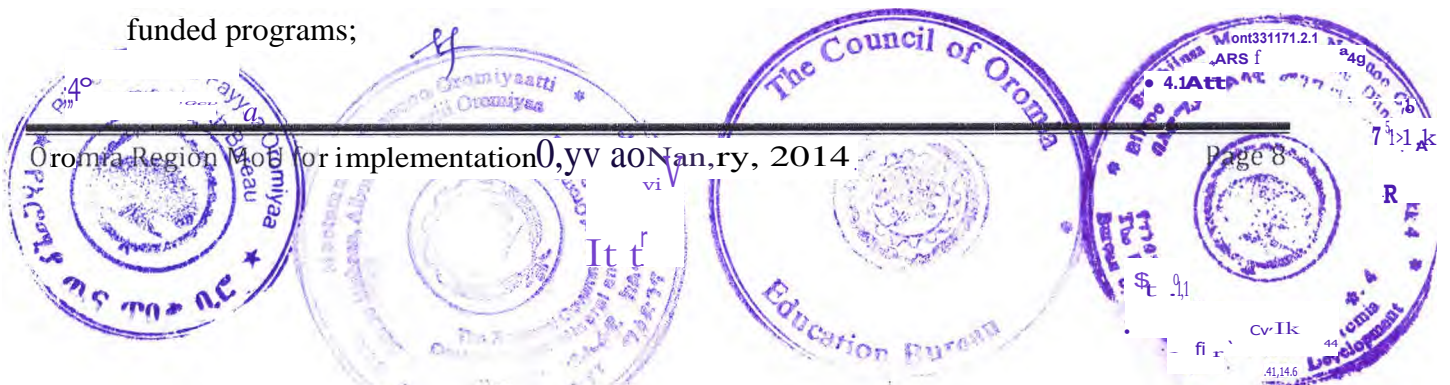
- Recognizing safe water supply, hygiene and sanitation are key components in the reduction of high morbidity, disability and mortality rates among the public in general, women and children in particular;
- Cognizant that access to clean water and improved sanitation is basic right of all individuals and a base for the achievement of the GTP and MDG targets ;
- Recognizing that provision of safe water, improved sanitation and hygiene education has far reaching health benefit, when provided as integrated rather than separately;
- Recognizing the contribution of WaSH to GTP and MDG in reduction of poverty, empowering women, increased access to universal education, reducing infant and child mortality rate, combating major communicable diseases, and environmental sustainability is immense;
- Understanding access to integrated water supply and sanitation has a- clear benefit for women and girls with an increase in enrollment and in school attendance /retention/ by saving time and energy to both;
- Considering the sustaining of the collaboration/integration among WaSH sector Bureaus has been advocated by WaSH development partners.
- Maximize efficient and effective resource utilization and reduce effort duplication.

There is now a strong desire to establish a harmonious working modality between BoWME, BoH, BoE, BoFED, Donors and other partners active in the implementation of WaSH activities to realize the full benefits of the WaSH program.

4. Major areas of cooperation

Recognizing the importance of the sector, the parties have agreed to work closely in areas of water supply, sanitation and hygiene at communities and institutions level to:-

- Regularly follow progress to ensure if the WaSH program is moving in line with the new National Growth and Transformation Plan and is contributing its share to other MDGs in general and MDG 2, MDG 4, MTV. Sand MDG 6 in particular;
- Joint preparation of integrated short and long term WaSH plans, with a vision of one plan, one budget and one reporting principle of the WaSH program ;
- Ensure that communities, health facilities and schools are beneficiaries of the WaSH funded programs;



- Advocate, prepare proposals for increased funding of WaSH programs at national and international forums;
- Ensure the WaSH funded program by partners is fairly distributed among/between WaSH sectors;
- Establish strong relationships with WaSH partners (bilateral donors, multilateral donors, CSOs , private sector organizations, etc) and encourage their full involvement to support in achieving GTP and MDG WaSH targets;
- Incorporate WaSH in school curriculum /or as part of school activities and WaSH clubs that are formed in all schools;
- Monitor and ensure that funds appropriated for the WaSH program are transferred on time, utilized for the intended purpose only and liquidated on time;
- Monitor and ensure progress reports are produced and forwarded to the concerned authorities on time;
- Exchanging of information and acting together before, during and after emergencies;
- Jointly mobilize resources during emergencies that have public health significance;
- Support the establishment of WaSH civic organizations and forums;
- Establishing Regional WaSH Technical Committee comprising of relevant professionals from each WaSH sectors and follow their accomplishments;
- Ensure WaSH structures are established and made functional in all administrative levels of the regions along line sector bureaus;
- Jointly organize and attend annual MSF meetings, Regional and National conferences and meetings and follow the progress and recommendations given;
- Jointly organize events that have high health impact such as "World Water Day, Hand Washing Day, World toilet Day" etc;
- Jointly undertake and support operational research that has a high impact on the WaSH sector;
- Undertake WaSH inventories in communities, schools and institutions on a regular and continuous bases;
- Ensure water for drinking and domestic use meets WHO drinking water guidelines and jointly or separately undertake water quality surveillance and exchange information on the outcomes. In line with meeting WHO drinking water guidelines, ensure jointly that

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affordable and replicable household and community level de-fluoridization techniques are in place;

- Ensure that Water schemes and sanitation facilities are properly designed and constructed not to pose health risk to the consumers;
- Ensure the WaSH PIM and strategy of the country is properly followed by all WaSH players in the region.
- Ensure as school communities and HDA are the change agent for the change in sanitation and hygiene.
- Secure necessary WaSH budget according to the implementation framework

5. Administrative and Technical Arrangements

To effectively and efficiently manage and administer the WaSH program, it will have the following administrative and technical arrangements.

5.1. Organizational structure

5.1.1. Regional WaSH Steering Committee (RWSC).

5.1.2. Regional WaSH Technical Team (RWTT).

5.1.3. Regional WaSH Coordination Office (RWCO).

5.1.4. WaSH Management Unit at each sector Bureaus.

5.2. Members of Regional WaSH Steering Committee

Head Bureau of Finance and Economic Development	Chairperson
Head Bureau of Water Mineral and Energy	V/chairperson
Head Bureau of Health	V/chairperson
Head Bureau of Education	Member
Invited representatives of the private sector/professional Associations	Member
Invited Representative of Civil Societies	Member
Process owner of Water Supply and Sanitation at BoWME	Secretary

This can be changed based on the regional signatory sector interest,

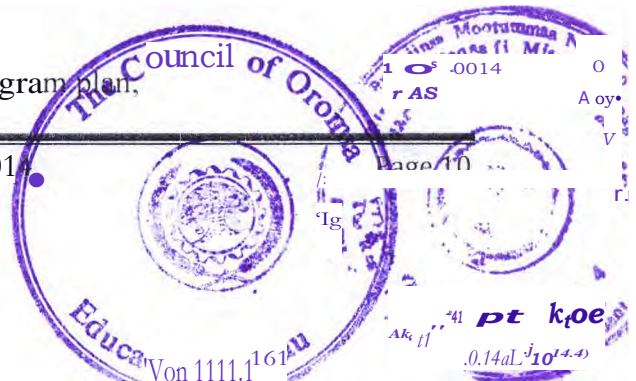
5.3. Duties and Responsibilities of Regional WaSH Steering Committee (RWSC)

- The RWSC shall incorporate the steering committee activities into the official planned strategic activities of the respective sectors at the outset so that the activities will be given priority;

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- Review and approve annual budget of RWCO proposed by WaSH Technical Team ;
 - Approve funds allocated from partners for sector Bureaus and regional states;
 - Ensure fund allocation to sectors for WaSH implementation is based on agreed modalities /arrangements /with partners;
 - Oversee the proper functioning of M&E of WaSH program;
 - Provide overall guidance and directions of the program implementation;
 - Ensure the establishment and proper functioning of WaSH Structures at all levels;
 - Advocate the MoU to the council of regional state in order to get recognition and support;
 - Promote and advocate zones and woredas to have their own WaSH MoU based on the regional MoU;
 - Give decisions on matters related to WaSH submitted by RWTT of different level;
 - Represent the region in national and International WaSH forums , advocate for WaSH funding and monitor/track the change on most important Global commitments etc.;
 - Conduct meetings every quarter. When deemed necessary one of the Sector bureau could propose to convene an urgent extraordinary meeting;
 - Resolve differences through cordial discussion that may arise among WaSH partners and actors;
 - Ensure the institutional arrangement for WaSH structure in their respective bureau
 - Ensure regional MSF conducted and follow the implementation of the undertakings.
 - Any other duties and responsibilities that will be identified in the course of time by RWSC
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- Ensure regional Water supply sanitation and Hygiene stakeholder forum

Meetings

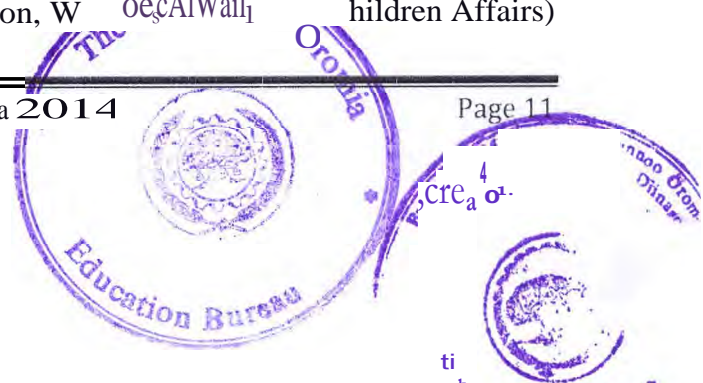
- The steering committee shall convene meetings every quarter. When deemed necessary one of the signatory party could propose to convene urgent meeting;
- Decisions made by the Steering Cgmmitee are based on consensus.

5.4. Regional WaSH Technical Team

The Regional WaSH Technical Team (RWTT) - Chair: Representative from Water Bureau;
 Members: Directors/process owners assigned by their respective Bureaus (Finance and Economic Development, Water, Health and Education, W oecAlWail children Affairs)

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and representative of WaSH Development Assistance Group and WaSH Civil Society Organizations, Coordinator of RWCO (Secretary),

5.4.1. Duties and Responsibilities of Regional WaSH Technical Team

- Facilitate inter-sectoral (bureaus) communication and cooperation;
- Prepare and submit strategic and annual plan for RWSC approval;
- Implement strategic decisions and directions made by RWSC;
- Link with donors and seek program support;
- Ensure financial disbursement is made based on decisions of RWSC;
- Ensure WaSH structures are established and maintained at all level;
- Regularly monitor the implementation of the program, provide guidance and report to the RWSC;
- Design program for experience sharing within the region, country and outside of the country;
- Staff , equip, support and supervise the RWCO;
- Establish and assign responsibilities to task groups as may be required;
- Design and manage the MSF and other review meetings and follow up the implementation of the undertakings;
- Ensure POA of funded programs of respective Bureaus and district is submitted timely ;
- Follow transfer and settlement of fund to and from Zones and Woredas is made timely;
- Review the consolidated Regional WaSH semi- annual and annual reports and submit to the RWSC;
- In collaboration with DPs organize JTR and MSF and get approval of the required budget;
- Communicate discussions and decision made by steering committee to their respective bureau and follow their implementation;
- Prepare agenda for steering committee meetings in consultation with RWSC Chairman. and forward the agenda to all members ahead of scheduled meetings;
- Execute any relevant assignment given by the Steering Committee;
- Conduct regular meeting every month and unscheduled/emergency meetings when necessary;
- In addition to existing funding partners, search and engage new funding organizations.

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- Set and implement the prioritization criteria for areas with sever WaSH problem in consultation with RWSC
- Design the information flow pattern and share updates the regional WaSH status, ongoing responses, gaps, develop action points and share assignments among task force members for action, monitor progress of implementation.
- Strengthen effective response to dawn structure (Zonal, woreda and Kebele level)

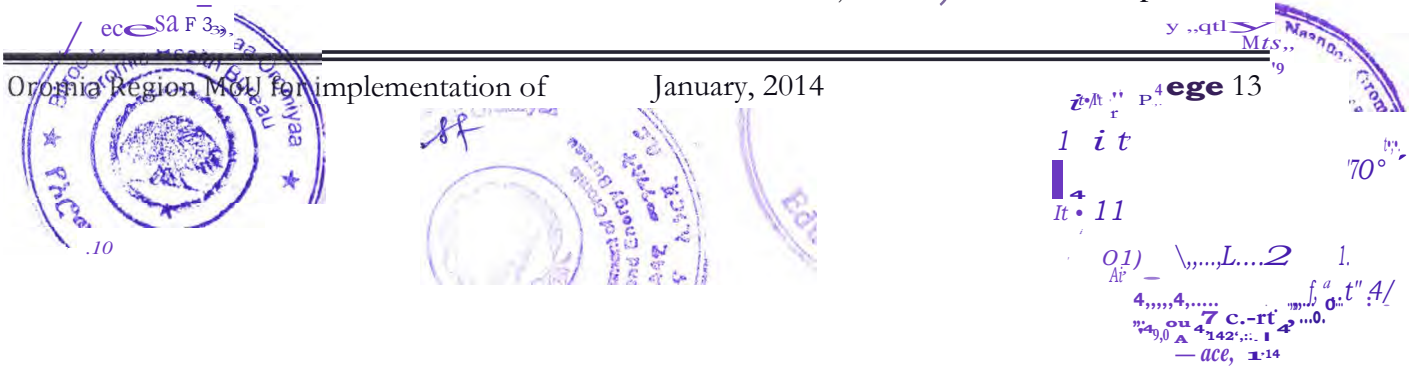
5.5. Regional WaSH Coordination Office

Members are, Regional WaSH Bureaus PMUs' focal persons supported with technical experts recruited by the RWTT and has separate office to work and coordinate WaSH program;

The Coordination office will be accountable to the RWTT;

5.5.1. Duties and Responsibilities of Regional WaSH Coordination Office:-

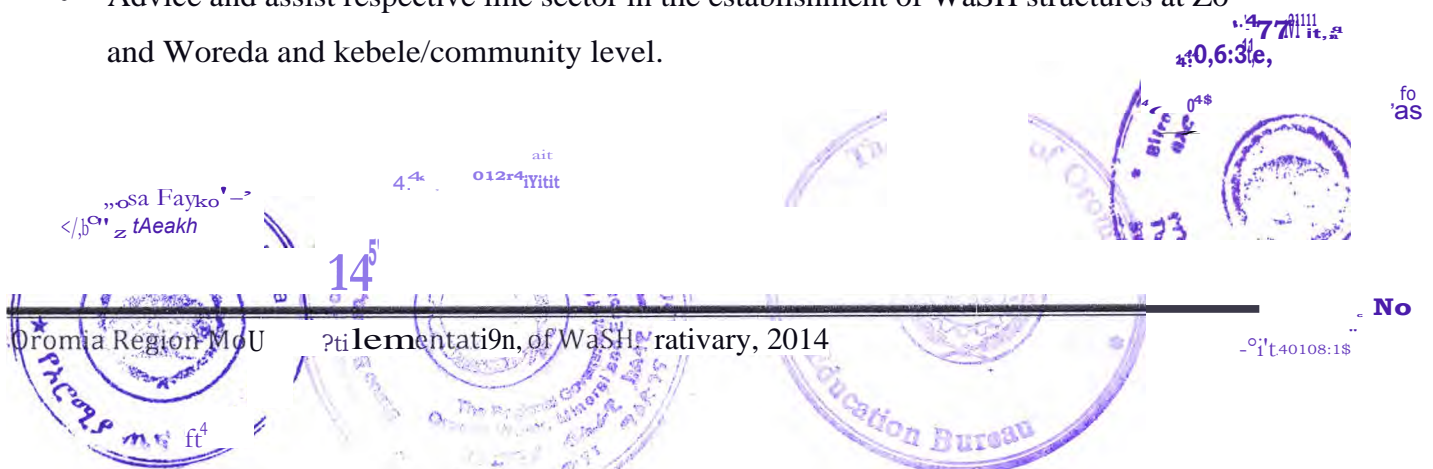
- Ensure that the policies, plans , strategies and decisions of the RWSC and RWTT are effectively communicated at all levels;
- Support the establishment of ZWCO and WWCO, in all program area and ensure its proper functioning;
- Identify and address need for program- wide manuals and guidelines;
- Promote and facilitate Regional networks among WaSH actors;
- Provide continuous support to the , Zonal and Woredas WaSH sector offices and coordination in planning and implementation of WaSH programs;
- Assist zones, and town administration in implementation of their Mot] in the context of the region,
- Consolidate Regional quarterly and annual physical and financial reports and submit to Technical Team.
- Make recommendations to the RWTT on implementation arrangement and strategies based on analysis of M&E reports and otheidata;
- Make follow ups of timely cash transfer & liquidation of WaSH programs at all level;
- Conduct regular field visit to monitor the activities of WaSH programs and give feed backs to sector bureaus;
- In collaboration with development partners organize JTR ■A and other meeting;
- Ensure zones and woredas have consolidated one - , - er, rsil 4erand Report



- Organize and call meetings of zonal and WWCO staffs & WaSH focal persons of respective sector Bureaus ;
- Prepare and update different reporting and compiling formats;
- Facilitate experience sharing within the region, country and outside the country;
- Prepare agenda for Regional WaSH Technical Team;
- Maintain and strengthen the regional WaSH management system and records and Data base.
- Assign champions that follow up the piloting and ultimate implementation of supply chain models in the Region for ensuring sustainable and reliable WASH service;
- Assign a focal person that liaises with NGOs.
- Accomplish assignment provided by RWTT

6. Undertakings by each WaSH Sector Bureaus

- Assign appropriate officer to the Regional WaSH Technical Team;
- Establish PMU and designate WaSH coordinator /focal person to liaise between PMU and RWCO;
- Implement decisions made by steering committee and technical team in their respective Bureaus and provide status feed back;
- Evaluate the WaSH performance status of respective Bureaus in their regular sector performance evaluation and provide feedback to WaSH Technical Team and Steering committee;
- Closely monitor, evaluate and support zones, woredas and town administration in WaSH planning, implementation and reporting;
- Incorporate WaSH in the regular individuals performance evaluation system;
- Prepare own POA, quarter, semi-annual and annual physical and financial report at a regional level and submit to Regional WaSH Coordination Office;
- Advice and assist respective line sector in the establishment of WaSH structures at Zonal and Woreda and kebele/community level.



7. Specific Responsibilities of Sector Bureaus in Planning and Implementing the WaSH Program.

Each Bureau shall establish its WaSH Program Management Unit. The size, structure and composition of each of the units will vary from sector bureau to bureau depending on the magnitude and nature of the particular Bureau's input to the WASH program. The Units will be housed in their respective bureau.

Maintaining the duties and responsibilities of Bureaus vested on them by the regional council, major areas of WaSH related services designated for sector bureaus are but not limited to:-

7.1. Bureau of Finance and Economic Development

- Oversees the WaSH GTP implementation;
- Communicate with WaSH sector Bureaus and the steering committee on WaSH fund programs and provide periodical update on WaSH fund disbursement and settlement;
- Ensure that fund transferred to sector Bureaus, Zones, woredas, Towns are based on PoA approved by the steering committee;
- Ensure timely program fund disbursement and settlement;
- Ensure financial report from Zones, woredas and regions is disaggregated for water supply, hygiene and sanitation;
- Contributes to the preparation of consolidated Regional WaSH plans and budgets;
- Ensure financial report from woredas and regions is disaggregated for water supply, hygiene and sanitation
- Participate in JTR and supportive supervision.
- Ensures that program activities, strategies and results are monitored, evaluated and reported within the WASH framework and systems;
- Ensure to make replenishment request to donors regularly on quarterly basis based on forecasted expenditure and disburse funds to implementing agencies up on receipt of funds;
- Ensure that all implementing agencies have submitted the quarterly and annual financial reports timely;
- Ensure program annual account is timely closed and audited;

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follow up the auditing and work on audit findings to amend weaknesses noted;

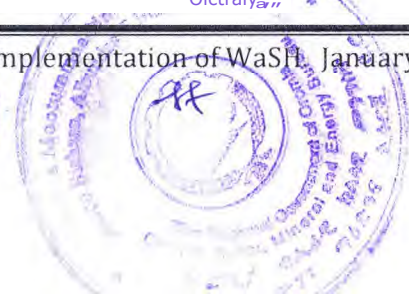
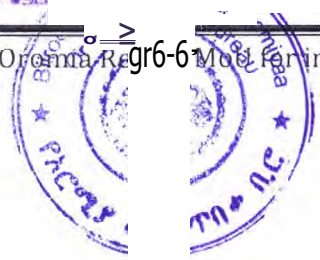
- Disseminate the audit report to all stakeholders;
- Assists the sector bureaus, Zones, Woredas, and town administration identify their financial management gaps and provides them with the technical assistance or the capacity development they require;
- Builds linkages with and among the sectors - sharing information, progress reports and best practices;
- Demonstrates and fosters the integration and harmonization of the WASH program.
- Assign representatives to be a member of the Steering committee and Technical Team;
- Facilitate enabling environment from the financiers side for enhancing the implementation of the program;
- Participate and assist in organizing regional WaSH MSF, JTR and other WaSH forums,
- Assist the WaSH sector to get additional financial ,technical and material support to meet the MDG and GTP;
- Share International, National and Local experiences and best practices that could be easily adapted to the situation of the country

7.2. Bureau of Water Mineral and Energy

- BoWME shall provide office with adequate space, office furniture, office supplies, and other facilities to Regional WaSH Coordination Office. In the future, this arrangement may be changed based on the decision of RWSC.
- Provisions of safe and adequate drinking water for human consumption and domestic use from source to distribution for communities, schools and other institutions;
- Undertake Water quality monitoring;

Plays leading role in establishing, strengthening and regulating supply chain system that enables the sustained use of WaSH facilities;

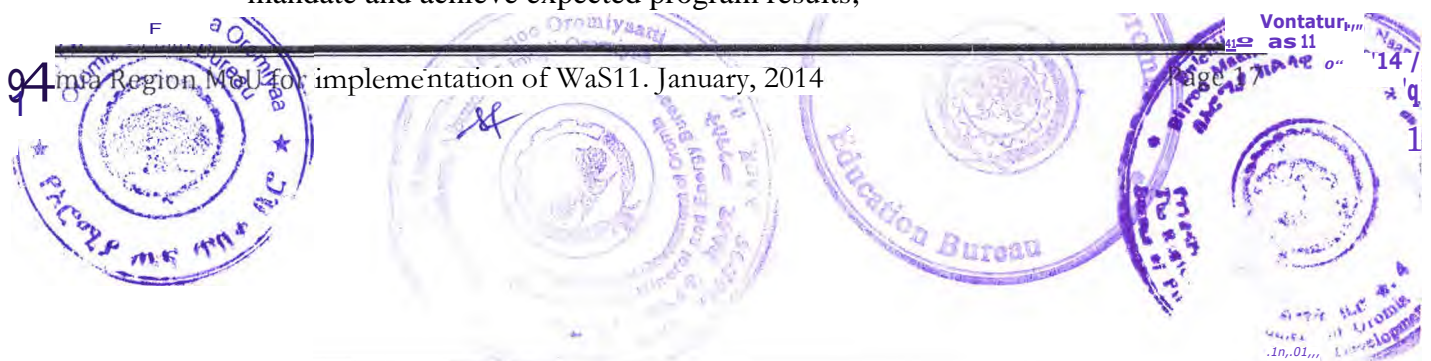
- Through its appropriate structure give training on WaSH to WaSHCos .
- Ensure that Regional PMUs, Woreda Sector Offices and Town Water Boards have the directions, information, systems, skills and resources necessary to carry out their WaSH mandate and achieve expected program results;



- Ensures that the WaSH-related inputs and activities in the sector are effectively implemented and integrated into the WaSH program at all level;
- Contributes to the preparation of consolidated Regional WaSH plans and budgets;
- Ensures that program activities, strategies and results are monitored, evaluated and reported within the WaSH framework and systems;
- Assists Zones woredas town administration in identify their program gaps and management deficits and provides them with the technical assistance or the capacity development they require;
- Builds linkages with and among bureaus Zones, woredassharing information, progress reports and best practices;
- Demonstrates and fosters the integration and harmonization of the WaSH program.
- Recruit technical staffs for regional WaSH Coordination office;
- Analyze current situation and propose priority area for intervention

7.3. Bureau of Health

- Conduct training on Water Quality monitoring and surveillance, Hygiene Promotion, community led approaches and other need based WaSH issues ;
- Facilitate the provision of sanitation facilities in health institutions and technically support schools and other Institutions at all levels;
- Introduce appropriate sanitation technologies for on-site use, off-site management and provide technical assistance to make living environment health and conducive.
- Monitor water quality for consumption before and after the scheme is commissioned (Regional and Woreda) office on time;
- Strengthening the regional public health laboratories to play key role in water quality monitoring.
- Support Zonal, woreda, Town and regional public health laboratories and make follow-ups on program implementation and appropriate fund utilization ;
- Provide technical support (review, design, construction and Supervision of institutional latrine facilities);
- Ensure that Regional PMUs, Woreda Sector Offices and Town administration to have the directions, information, systems, skills and resources necessary to carry out their mandate and achieve expected program results;

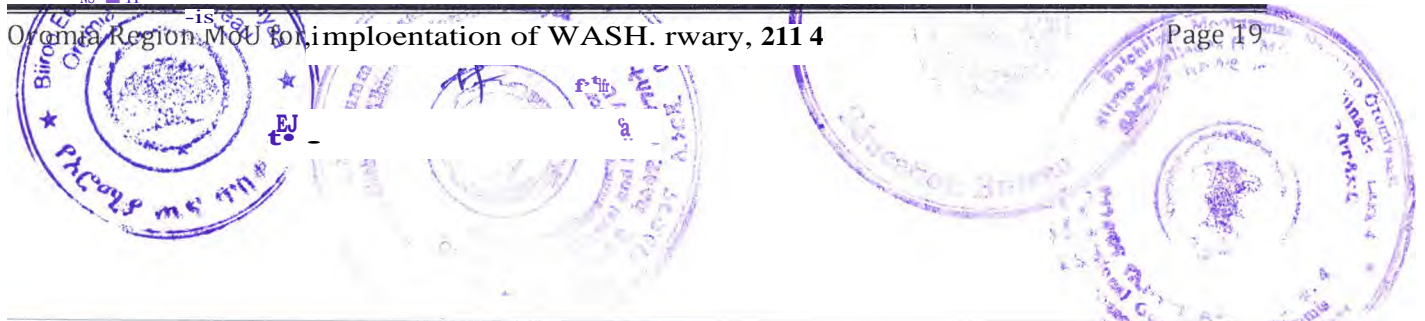


- Plays leading role in establishing, strengthening and regulating supply chain(sanitation marketing) system that enables the sustained use of WaSH facilities;
- Ensures that the WaSH-related inputs and activities in the sector are effectively implemented and integrated into the WaSH program at all levels;
- Contributes to the preparation of consolidated Regional WaSH plans and budgets;
- Ensures that program activities, strategies and results are monitored, evaluated and reported within the WaSH framework and systems ;
- Assists Zonal, Woreda and Town Health Offices to identify their program gaps and management deficits and provides them with the technical assistance or the capacity development they require;
- In collaboration with the Education sector mobilize school communities in promoting hygiene and sanitation in their respective communities.(Roll of Woreda Health Desk);
- Builds linkages with and among Zones, Woredas and Towns to sharing information, progress reports and best practices;
- Link the program with health development army in the wash implementation approach.
- Demonstrates and fosters the integration and harmonization of the WaSH program.
- In collaboration with other stakeholders give due attention to urban sanitation

7.4. Bureau of Education

- Ensure Water and sanitation schemes and facilities are provided in schools;
- Support the establishment of WaSH clubs in schools with the provision of logistic ;
- Incorporate WaSH in school curriculum /or activities ;
- Through its appropriate structure facilitate for the provision of WaSH training to teachers, PTA and school community;
- Submit PoA and quarterly, biannual and annual fund utilization and performance report of the BoE to WaSH Coordination office on time;
- In collaboration with the health sector mobilize school communities in popularizing hygiene and sanitation in their respective communities.(Roll of Woreda Education Desk);

- Ensure that Regional PMUs, Woreda and Town Education office have the directions, information, systems, skills and resources necessary to carry out their WaSH mandate and achieve expected program results;
- Ensures that the WaSH-related inputs and activities of Bureau of Education, are effectively implemented and integrated into the WaSH program at all levels;
- Contributes to the preparation of consolidated Regional WASH plans and budgets;
- Ensures that program activities, strategies and results are monitored, evaluated and reported within the WaSH framework and systems;
- Builds linkages with and among the Zones Woredas and Towns - sharing information, progress reports and best practices;
- Demonstrates and fosters the integration and harmonization of the WaSH program.
- Assists the Zonal, Woreda and Town Offices identify their program gaps and management deficits and provides them with the technical assistance or the capacity development they require;
- Conduct bi-annual consultative & Review meeting on the implementation of WaSH projects in the woredas & school bases.
- Accomplish assessments on the Impact of WaSH implementation on the Equity and Girl's participation in schools
- Develop Gender sensitive sanitation and hygiene facilities
- Conduct school and Cluster level experience sharing focused to good performance for at Scaling up sanitation and hygiene
- Consider the establishment of Manustrial Hygiene Management(MHM) and counseling center at school level through on hand training to female teachers and equipping School WaSH clubs and Sanitary materials for Girls and female teachers
- Support Regional biannual integrated supportive supervision and support Woredas. for the provision of School WaSH technical tools
- Construction of school separate latrines for the needy school communities (this as subjected to the standard designs of school latrines. /Cōunci/
- role in celebration of IGINba, LH and washing, World Day, World water Da- etc.



8. Accountability

The signatories of this MoU well understood that:-

- The integrations of interventions in safe water supply, sanitation and hygiene as integrated at the same geographical location/ communities has significant health benefit and maximum contribution for the socio-economic development of the country/region;
- The overall essence of the wash integration through this MoU is to benefit from the above mentioned advantages;
- The above mentioned wash integration is ensured through integrated planning, financing, implementation, monitoring and reporting of the wash program (one plan, one budget, one report).

Thus the signatories have committed themselves to ensure that their respective sectors and staffs assigned to the WaSH program are effectively working in one WaSH program and discharge their responsibilities set in this MoU;

Accordingly, the accountability of the signatory institutions and their staffs assigned to execute the program as per this MoU will be regularly monitored:-

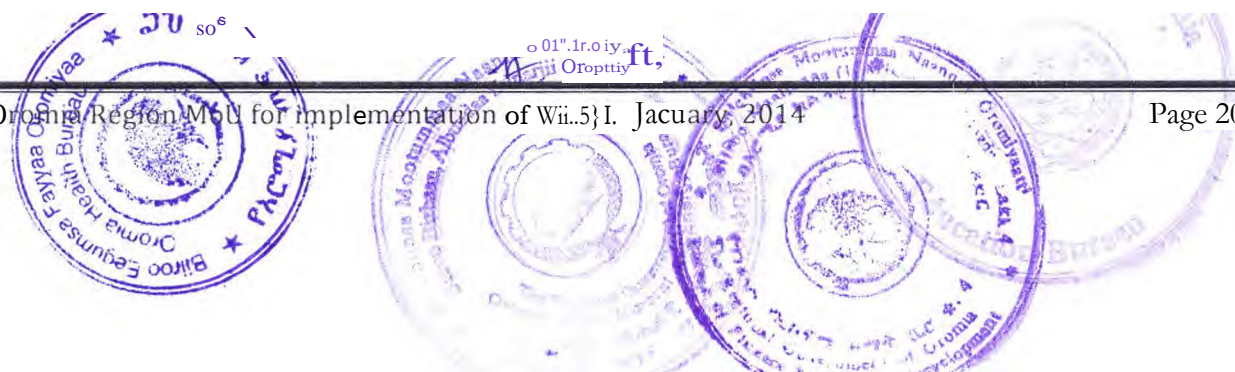
- Each signatory bureau is accountable to the regional Steering Committee and Technical Team with respect to regional bureaus responsibility of the program;
- The Program SC , and TT periodically evaluate the performance of the program, contributions of each signatory bureau and take timely action;
- Each signatory Bureau implements the decisions of the steering committee and TT and report back;
- The performance of each signatory Bureau staff in the WaSH program management will be regularly monitored and evaluated within the Bureau's regular evaluation system and feed back to Steering Committee.

9. Application of the MoU

The MoU will be applicable in all WaSH programs, projects and emergencies executed by BoWME, BoH, BoE and BoFED in the yvhole or in part at regional level. Zones and woredas will adapt the regional MoU to their context, sign and implement it.

This MoU shall serve as a framework of partnership for the period starting from January, 2014 and can be revised, amended upon request of any signatory Party.

This MoU may be ceased /revoked / when only all signatory parties council -ISN-Do so.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Executive Heads of the Parties have signed and sealed below.

On Behalf of Bureau of Water, Mineral and Energy

Name

Position

Signature.....

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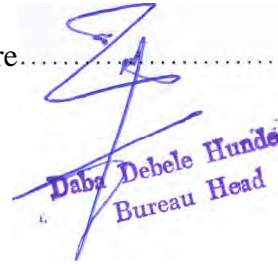
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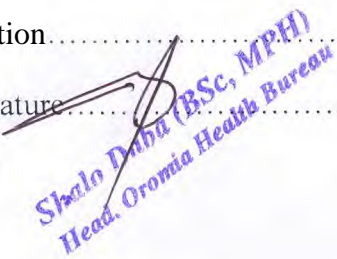
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On Behalf of Bureau Of Finance and Economic Development

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