U.S. Humanitarian Response to Tigray Conflict

On November 4, 2020, fighting broke out in the Tigray Region of Ethiopia between the Tigrayan People’s Liberation Front and Ethiopian National Defense Forces. Hundreds of thousands have fled from their homes and more than 4.5 million people are in need of assistance. On March 1, USAID deployed a Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) to lead the U.S. government’s humanitarian response.

**Nearly $153 million** in humanitarian assistance to help people affected by the conflict.

**Humanitarian Assistance**

USAID partners have reached more than 1.3 million people with life-saving assistance, including nearly 1 million people with food assistance.

- **Food**
- **Hygiene Kits**
- **Shelter**
- **Protection**
- **Relief Supplies**
- **Safe Drinking Water**
- **Mobile Health and Nutrition Teams**

**USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team**

16 disaster experts

This elite team is on the ground conducting assessments, identifying humanitarian needs, and working with humanitarian partners to deliver immediate aid.

**Humanitarian Access**

The U.S. continues to call on all parties to allow humanitarians full and unhindered access to reach people in need. There are still approximately **1 million people** who remain cut off from assistance. Humanitarian needs in Tigray are vast:

- **4.5 million people** need aid
- **4 million people** require food assistance
- More than **417,000 people** fled their homes
- **Only 30%** of hospitals & health centers are fully functional

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