

Reducing blinding Trachoma in rural Ethiopia

Evaluation results of the Amhara Trachoma Control Program, 2018-2021

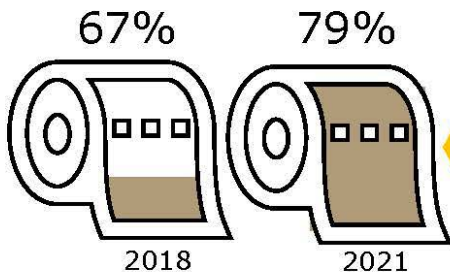
Improving hygiene behaviours, sanitation, & water supply to prevent Trachoma-impacting 119,000 rural people.

10,000 people now have access to clean drinking water, through 20 village water supply schemes.

"Due to the water scheme, we started to drink clean water, free from molluscs and snails. We thank you indeed."
-local beneficiary

4000 more latrines-benefitting 20,000 people.

3042 kids with active trachoma-are now treated and won't go blind.



Increase in the percentage of rural households with improved pit-latrines.

Raising awareness with school kids has led to changed hygiene habits at home.

Disability accessible toilet blocks were built in 5 schools.

Reducing the spread of disease and illness keeps kids in schools.

861 people got surgery for trachoma trichiasis: the most common infectious cause of blindness.

80% of the population were provided with medication to prevent trachoma.

"I'm an eyewitness to this project that prevented and controlled trachoma. I was impacted because of trachoma, but now I've got my sight back. We got eye treatment and medication. And we got good health education about how to prevent trachoma." – community woman