

1 Objectives

- To skim the status of the GLOWS learning from its last year implementation by having discussion with
 - TVETC chiro
 - Woreda staffs
 - WASHCOs
- To see if there is any implementation from the action plan made by the trainees
- To initiate the WASHCO training
- To discuss on GLOWS follow-up with AMREF and HCS

2 Discussion and achievements

- A. HCS:** On Monday, 8th of October 2012, the deputy of HCS, Mr Hilina, was briefed about 3R and GLOWS from the scratch. GLOWS has been communicated to HCS. The HCS head with whom the earlier e-mail discussion has made is in Kenya and the second person who was in our e-mail loop and with home I made phone contact is no more in the Chiro office. In addition, HCS is decentralizing its activity to the Zones and some of the offices are being established as new.

Interestingly, HCS through Mr Hilina explained as they are committed to work together with us and use their presence at the ground to access governmental offices. Explaining as they do not have budget for 2012, they have asked to have MOU for collaboration. As per the HCS decentralization they are planning, the zonal offices will be in full charge to decide.

Then, on the same day discussion was continued with Mr Taye, in charge to Shinile area of Somali. He is happy with the programs and he is given with materials to read.

On the next day(Tuesday) discussion was also made with Getnet at Chiro, in charge of HCS branch office to Chiro. He is also briefed about the programs and GLOWS CD is given for reading. He promised to communicate this with Mulugeta (who is yet to relocate to Chiro) who is in charge of WASH in the Chiro area.

HCS: They did not have budget for 2012. They are in a sort of decentralization/re-arranging tasks and offices. Hence, it is better to keep communication to both their head and zonal (decentralized branch office) WASH coordinators till they come on board. I will keep talking to them. However, I used the chance to introduce the trainer with Getnet, the HCS head to Chiro areas.

- B. TVET and Zonal Resources persons:** On Tuesday afternoon, TVET and Zone water offices were visited. None of the administrative officials are in the office “they are out of Chiro for meeting”. However, discussion was made with Demis from

TVET and with the Zone water resources staffs (Mr Seifu, Mr Juwar and Ms Hiwan).

Demis, (the only active TVET, who already informed us to adopt the GLOWS material for his lecture), reported as he is happy with GLOWS content and approach. He however complained on the certificate content (this is also shared by the Zone water staffs). As they said, the certificate explains their participation only on the TOT training and does not say anything if they have delivered training on the Modules.

I understood as the trainers do not have any contact with other sectorial offices (health bureau) and also with the Woreda trainees. They reported as there is a lot new project feasibility study and implementation which hinder them to follow-up GLOWS. However, Demis from TVET reported as he used many learning from GLOWS to his lecture.

C. WOREDA staffs and Site visit:

On Wednesday we visited the Mieso woreda office where the administrative were not available. During the visit, we met two staffs (Mr. Fuad and Ms. Derartu). Speaking with them, they reflected as they have learnt a lot from GLOWS. They reported as their bosses convinced with their activity. They also know what to do for the community and to present proposal of intervention for donors. Then, the Woreda staffs invited me to visit some of the changes after GLOWS implementation in the community. With Fuad, I visited two schemes – Lolaha and Dalecha/Denaba/ both under Hunde Misoma Kebele.

- I. Lolaha scheme has piped system with only one water point that has head problem and causes long queuing during its short operation time. As short term solution for this problem, they have already started to fetch water for domestic use from the cattle trough. However as long-term solution, the community has already contributed money to install one additional water point at a location where head is considered to be not a problem.

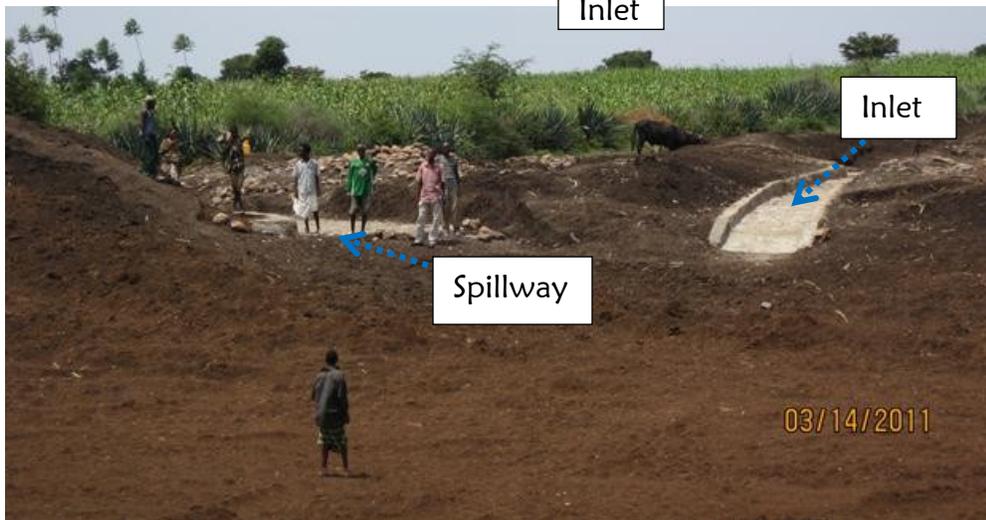


Figure: Cattle trough (left) – used to fetch water for domestic use; and the new water point (right), which is not yet finalized

In this PA (peasant association), large pond is also excavated for domestic and animals watering. The pond has inlet, sediment trap, spillway and cattle trough. The cattle trough will be separated from the pond and get the water from pond through pipe connection. The Woreda staffs reported to incorporate sustainable issue in the management of the pond. The pond has WASHCO of 7 members, and there will be 25 cents payment for 1 jarikan (20 lit).



Inlet



Inlet

Spillway



Sediment trap

Figure: New surface storage pond for domestic and animal water supply to be managed by new WASHCO

II. Dalecha/Denaba schemes - under Hunde Misoma Kebele:

This is the scheme where I participated during the assessments and action plan preparation. During the assessment, we have learnt that all of the water points (8) were not functioning for 4 months. However, at this time six water points are working except the other two (one is not working from the beginning due to its location for head, the other one - working as substantial length of the pipe is stolen).

In this scheme, the old WASHCO were not active and all of the activities have been done by a single person with more than two responsibility. However, this time new WASHCO is setup and training was also given to the new WASHCO.



Figure: Water point that start working at Dalecha/Denaba schemes - under Hunde Misoma Kebele

In addition, the Woreda staffs also reported as they once gave training to WASHCO with support from Care. Though Care brought some training material to be used by the woreda staff, they explained as they left these materials and adopt from GLOWS module as it is more comprehensive. Asking them if they can have other training material which is really prepared for WASHCO, they explained their happiness. Eventually I gave the CD for all and one printout WASHCO module for Mr. Fuad so that we will communicate after they once went through it.

D. Discussion with AMREF

MrGizachew from AMREF briefed their status of their GLOWS implementation. As he said to start with, they have identified 8 Trainers of which 2 are facilitators and the six are from zone and TVETs. I also shared ideas on the GLOWS procedure and implementation; also answered his questions. I also explained him the impact of GLOWS learning in the Mieso areas and considerations. Eventually, I shared materials (CDs and printed Modules /GLOWS-English, GLOWS-Amharic, and Facilitation Module/. And also on behalf of MetaMeta, I already promised him to communicate us (MetaMeta) though phone/e-mail incase if he has any question/require assistance on the GLOWS implementation.

- GLOWS are bringing changes on the ground, and the trainees at Woredas are also happy as they have now known what to offer for the community.

- There is poor linkage between staffs of sectorial offices (Water, and Health). This is partly because each office has different planning and implementation plan; offices are usually busy in new implementation than operation and maintenance.
- Training WASHCO has been already done with the help of Care (NGO). However, there is no well-prepared module to use. Hence, there is interest from Woreda staff (Mieso) to use the WASHCO module, to train WASHCO committees.
- AMREF has already started the GLOWS activity – selecting participants; however HCS still needs some time (as GLOWS is not planned for 2012).