Sector Strengthening in Gololcha Woreda, Oromia - The SusWASH Project

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What is Sector Strengthening in WaterAid?

Working in ways that **transform** the enabling environment to ensure **WASH services** and **behaviours** are delivered and sustained.
What is Sector Strengthening in WaterAid?

- Strengthening sector **coordination** and government capacity to **monitor**, **plan** and **budget**

- Demonstrating sustainable models of **service delivery** and behavior change

- Enhancing **accountability** mechanisms and **empowering citizens** to demand their rights
What does sector strengthening involve?

- Sector Coordination
- Strategic Planning
- Financing
- Monitoring
- Service Delivery
- Accountability
- Institutional Arrangements
- Environment Water Resources
How is sector strengthening delivered?

- POLICY ADVOCACY
- PRACTICE ADVOCACY
- CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT
- SERVICE DELIVERY
- EMPOWERMENT
WAE Sector Strengthening Model

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Gololcha Woreda

- Located in Bale Zone, Oromia Region
- Water coverage is reportedly 50.5%
- Non-functionality rate of around 33.3%
- 15 kebeles have no access to water supply
- School water coverage is at 17%
- Only 1 in 4 health facilities have water supply
- Sanitation coverage is reported at 64%
- 9 out of the 25 kebeles have been declared open defecation free.
Water Service Levels in Gololcha Woreda
Continuity of supply & Reliability

Coverage

- Improved water sources access: 42%
- Improved & functional water source access: 12%
Sector Strengthening in Gololcha (The SusWASH Project)

1. Support universal plan based on asset inventory, Life cycle costing
2. Support Coordination mechanisms
3. Establish accountability mechanisms
4. Peer learning, coaching to support service delivery
5. Sharing learning at zonal national and Regional level
## District Sustainability Assessment
(Gololcha District, SusWASH Project)

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*Note: The table indicates the status of each category within the District Sustainability Assessment framework.*
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<td>Supporting establishment of ONEWASH woreda steering and technical committees</td>
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<td>Supporting development of Universal Access Plan based on service level baseline and asset inventory (mWater)</td>
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<td>Supporting regular asset inventory data collection, strengthening woreda MIS centre, supporting establishment of citizen forums, advocating for institutionalisation of social accountability platforms</td>
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<td><strong>Service delivery</strong></td>
<td>Demonstrating sustainable management models for rural water supply and delivering on the job training, refresher, mentoring and coaching</td>
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Challenges and Way Forward

1. Systems strengthening found to be costly & not a priority compared to service delivery
2. continued & intensive support needed to improve situational analysis/planning capacity
3. Design capacity plans that improve implementation of universal plans
Expected Outcomes

1. Clear incentive for good performance of local government and utility
2. Greater accountability through strengthened citizen forums and accountability platforms
3. Wider change and replication in other woredas and at National level
Thank you