

Project Harar

Rebuilding Faces, Changing Lives

WHAT DO THEY DO

Project Harar works in most disadvantaged and remote areas of Ethiopia, to provide access to life changing treatment for infants and children born with cleft lip and palate, as well as more complex facial disfigurements.

These conditions impact child development and are the source of stigma and exclusion in their communities. Geographical constraints and the cost of reaching a regional capital would make treatment impossible for families in rural areas without help.



“ Moibon was born with a cleft lip and palate, this was strange I could not eat a meal for three days but later on I calmed down. I started to find on internet the cause of cleft lips and treatments in Ethiopia, after some minutes I got International children surgery organization (Project Harar).

I saw lots of children treated and then I felt so happy. I emailed them they gave me full information how I to access service, now Moibon has received treatment we are swimming in an ocean of love.

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Key Facts

Project Harar not only provide access to life changing surgery, but also strive to offer comprehensive care services, which focus on other social and physical needs outside of surgery.

This includes:

- Community based speech and lanugage therapy
- Nutritional support and advice
- Health worker training
- Working with community leaders to tackle stigma and health misinformation
- Mother's support group

In June 2020, Meeting Needs provided £5000 to Project Harar to provide soap and large water barrels for families who were waiting for cleft surgery in rural areas.

From March- October 2020, elective surgery was placed on hold in Ethiopia due to the Covid-19 pandemic, so the objective of this project was to raise awareness about Covid prevention measures and to equip families with practice measures whilst they waited for cleft treatment.



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