



## OROTTA COLLEGE OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCE GRADUATES 275 STUDENTS



In its 3rd commencement, Orotta College of Medicine and Health Science has conferred Post Graduate, Doctor of Medicine, First Degree, and Diploma qualifications to 275 graduates.

The graduates include 12.7% in degree programs and 87.3% in diploma programs, with 47.6% of the graduating students being female.

Prof. Yemane Seium, Dean of the College, stated that Orotta College of Medicine and Health Science, as an institute of higher learning, strives to provide quality medical education, standard patient care, and medical research. He emphasized that the college ensures its education programs include content that is aligned with current global developments, focusing on primary health care and addressing community needs.

According to Prof. Yemane, the graduates include 22 with a Degree of Doctor of Medicine, 9 with a Bachelor's Degree in Clinical Laboratory Science, 4 specializing in Pediatrics and Child Health, and 1 specializing in Obstetrics and Gynecology. In the diploma program, the graduates include 20 in Medical Laboratory Technology, 20 in Pharmacy Technician, 120 in Comprehensive Nursing, 30 in Dental Technology, 17 in Radiology Technology, and 25 in Environmental Health Technology.

Prof. Yemane also urged the graduates to serve and improve the quality of life and health of their communities with compassion, honesty, and integrity.

In her keynote address, Ms. Amina Nurhussein, Minister of Health, noted the significant investment the Government of

Eritrea is making to provide equitable education opportunities to its citizens, which is yielding encouraging results. She called on the graduates to apply their knowledge practically and serve their people with utmost dedication and diligence.

The representative of the graduates, commending the educational opportunities provided, expressed their conviction to meet the expectations of the people and the government that supported their education.

## 50<sup>TH</sup> ERITREAN COMMUNITY FESTIVAL IN USA

The 50th Eritrean Community Festival in the United States of America was held from 26 to 28 July in Washington, D.C., with patriotic zeal.

The event was attended by Ambassadors, members of diplomatic corps, friends of Eritrea, and over 12,000 Eritrean nationals, highlighting the Eritrean people's substantial contributions to liberation and national development.

Speaking at the opening ceremony, Mr. Berhane Gebrehiwet, Charge d'Affaires at the Eritrean Embassy in the U.S., gave an extensive briefing on the significance of the festival in nurturing noble societal values and national identity, as well as enhancing public diplomacy activities.

The annual national festival featured cultural programs, seminars focusing on the objective situation in the homeland, and sports competitions, among other activities.



## MAI-NEFHI COLLEGE OF SCIENCE CONFERS DEGREES TO 260 STUDENTS

Mai-Nefhi College of Science has conferred degrees to 260 graduates, including 55% females.

In his keynote address, Mr. Tesfay Gebreselasie, Minister of Land, Water, and Environment, congratulated the graduating students. He emphasized that in a world advancing in technology, being equipped with competitive knowledge is essential to face future challenges.

Minister Tesfay noted that graduation day, beyond

celebration, holds deep significance. He called on the graduates to avoid greed, work hard, and contribute to the development of their country and people.

Prof. Gebray Asgedom, Dean of the College, stated that in its 17th commencement, the College of Science is graduating students in the fields of Biology, Chemistry, Earth Sciences, Mathematics, Physics, and Statistics. Prof. Gebray also mentioned that female graduates have constituted

more than 50% of the total for at least the last three years, demonstrating that female students are becoming more competitive and predominant in the college.

A representative of the graduates remarked that celebrating graduation marks the beginning of applying the knowledge gained in practical settings. He expressed their conviction to meet the expectations of the people and the government that supported their education.



## BINIAM GIRMAY WINS ANOTHER CLASSIC



The winner of the Green Jersey at the 2024 Tour de France, Eritrean rider Biniam Girmay, sprinted to a first place at the 'Classic Ruzendal' in the Netherlands on 29 July.

Binaim Girmay who is participating at the Paris Olympics stood 29th place at the individual time trial held on 27 July and will compete at the road race on 3 July that will cover 272 km.

# LOCAL NEWS

## WORLD HEPATITIS DAY OBSERVED AT NATIONAL LEVEL



World Hepatitis Day, observed on 28 July, was celebrated at the national level under the theme "It is Time for Action."

Dr. Araya Berhane, Director of Communicable Diseases Control at the Ministry of Health, indicated that World Hepatitis Day is being observed for the first time at the national level and for the 16th time globally. Dr. Araya explained that hepatitis is caused by five types of viruses: A, B, C, D, and E. The disease is particularly transmitted through blood-contaminated sharp objects, non-sterilized medical equipment, from mother to child, and through unsafe sex.

Dr. Araya also noted that at the end of 2022, 2.2 million new infections and 1.3 million deaths were registered due to the disease, with 63% of these cases

occurring in Africa.

Sister Nigisti Tesfamicael, Head of HIV/AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Diseases Control Unit, stated that a study conducted in Eritrea found that out of one thousand people, 30 are carriers of the B virus and 5 are carriers of the C virus. She also mentioned that the vaccination for the B virus was introduced in the country 22 years ago, and infants should be vaccinated within 24

hours of birth. The Ministry is actively working in this regard.

Dr. Nonso Ejiofor, Representative of the World Health Organization in Eritrea, indicated that efforts will be made to reduce the prevalence of the disease by 90% by 2030.

At the event, a general knowledge competition was conducted between high school students, and awards were given to the winners.



## MEMBERS OF 37<sup>TH</sup> ROUND OF NATIONAL SERVICE DEPARTED TO SAWA

Members of the 37th round of the national Service have departed to Sawa to pursue their 12 grade education at the Warsai-Yikealo high school and to fulfill their national service.

The first batch of the students that departed to Sawa were from 15 high schools in the region were 4 thousand and 612 out of which 59% were female students.

The students were seen off from their respective school by concerned Government institutions and a number of people.

The students also expressed conviction to register exemplary results in their education and national service.

The remaining 4 thousand 385 students including 53% females will depart to Sawa on Saturday, 3 July from 7 high schools in the region.

Students from the regions of Northern and Southern Red Sea, Gash Barka and Anseba have already arrived in Sawa.



## TRAINING ON AGRICULTURE FOR FEMALE YOUTH IN SOUTHERN REGION

Training was given to 347 female members of the 34th and 35th rounds of the national service. The training was organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture and the Southern Region administration.

Mr. Tekie Tewolde, Director General of Administration and Finance in the region, stated that the training incorporated academic education to prepare the participants for the national school leaving examination. The training also covered livestock resources, seed development, soil and water conservation, and the production of biogas.

Indicating that the training program was successfully implemented with commendable participation from all stakeholders, Mr. Tekie said that the trainees will be assigned to various developmental sites and expressed his expectation that they will play a significant role in ongoing efforts.

Speaking at the occasion, Mr. Arefaine Berhe, Minister of Agriculture, emphasized that vocational capacity extends beyond training and requires practical initiative and dedication in the workplace. Mr. Arefaine also urged the trainees to collaborate with agricultural experts and farmers to improve farmers' livelihoods.

Mr. Habteab Tesfatsion, Governor of the Southern Region, called on the trainees to contribute to the effort to boost agricultural production.

## ERI-EQUIP PROVIDES TRAINING TO 29 TECHNICIANS

Eri-Equip has provided two years training to 29 technicians. The training was provided in accordance with the curriculum designed by 'Caterpillar' Machinery Company.

Mr. Ashebir Araya, General Manager of the company, indicated that the company since its establishment has provided training 18 times to its members and 3 times to stakeholders. He also said that the company provides theoretical and practical training to operators, machinery and generators technicians of various institutions.

Representative of the trainees commending for the training opportunity provided called for organizing training that matches the required standard and more developed than the first phase of the training.

Mr. Measho Gebretensae, head of quality control of technical and vocational education and training at the Ministry of Education, called on the trainees to apply the training they were provided practically in the work place and play due part in the development of their institutions.

## TRAINING ON PRODUCING ORGANIC FERTILIZER

The Ministry of Agriculture branch in the Adi-Keih sub-zone provided training to farmers from various administrative areas in the sub-zone on the comparative advantages of solid and liquid organic fertilizers.

The training, conducted on 23 and 24 July, was organized in collaboration with the Ministries of Agriculture and Marine Resources. It also focused on the importance of the organic liquid fertilizer produced in Massawa.

Ms. Muntaza Simon, Head of Seeds Control in the sub-zone, stated that trainees were provided with liquid organic fertilizer free of charge to enable them to apply non-polluting fertilizers and thereby boost their agricultural production.

The participating farmers, highlighting the significance of the training, called for its continuation.

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# Eritrea's Second Voluntary National Review of Progress towards the UN SDGs

*This is the fifth article in a multi-part series that sheds light on Eritrea's participation at the 2024 High-Level Political Forum and the country's second Voluntary National Review of progress towards Agenda 2030 and the Sustainable Development Goals. It provides a snapshot of the fifth major section of Eritrea's report, which highlights the country's progress on SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation.*

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## A broad overview of context and some important strides

With a large swathe of its territory falling within the wider Sahel Belt, Eritrea is an arid and semi-arid country. It is not particularly endowed with rich water resources and rainfall continues to be low and erratic, averaging less than 350mm annually. Rates of evapotranspiration are also relatively high.

Against this backdrop, water continues to be one of the country's leading national priorities and as a result of important national investments in water infrastructure and conveyance systems, constructive partnerships and cooperation with development partners, a strong policy and regulatory framework, and other efforts, a number of important improvements have been registered.

As a result of considerable national investments and financial outlays, and the collective efforts of the government, local communities, the Eritrean Defense Forces (EDF), several development partners, and various other groups and national institutions, the number of large and medium dams in Eritrea has been increased from 138 at independence to nearly 800 at present. Several hundred more small dams have also been built. Crucially, the national distribution of these structures has been vastly improved, so that more are now located in regions and communities where there historically have been none. Several dozen more dams of varying sizes are currently in different stages of development and projected to be fully completed across the period 2024 and 2025.

Within rural areas, where the large majority of the country's people resides, approximately 79 percent of the total population has access to safely managed drinking water services, up from 72 percent in 2015, while within urban areas it is 95 percent, a 5 percent increase from 2015.

Additionally, access to water has progressively risen in schools, offices, and other public spaces, while all health facilities in the nation have access to clean, safe water. The latter, of course, has played a significant and positive role in helping to promote infection prevention and control, supporting healthy deliveries, and helping to reduce

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neonatal mortality risk.

Importantly, nationwide access to basic sanitation and hygiene facilities also has been steadily expanding in recent years. Following a sustained public campaign that extended to all regions of the country, 93 percent of the nation's nearly 3,000 total villages have now been declared and certified as open defecation free (ODF), up from about 77 percent in 2022. Moreover, important strides have been made in educational institutions, health facilities and public spaces, with more now being equipped with improved water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) facilities.

It is encouraging that recent and ongoing popular campaigns in Eritrea have focused on constructing and refurbishing toilets, latrines, and other vital hygiene infrastructure in communities and villages across the country, while more and more schools, offices, and other public spaces are in the process of installing or dramatically improving access to WASH facilities.

### Public awareness and sensitization are critical

Notably, through an array of public awareness campaigns, as well as programs and initiatives conducted within schools, health facilities, and other public spaces, there are also greater levels of public awareness and general



understanding of good sanitation and hygiene practices and their critical role in promoting health, ensuring wellbeing, reducing the spread of disease, and significantly reducing the early childhood, adult, and maternal mortality levels in the country. In schools, more youth continue to learn how to improve good sanitation and hygiene practices, such as proper use of toilets or latrines handwashing with water and soap. The Community-led Total Sanitation program, initiated years ago, involves community groups and leaders working in tandem with residents to raise awareness of the importance of eliminating open defecation and adopting better sanitation and hygiene practices.

Looking ahead, in close cooperation with UNICEF, a longstanding national development partner, Eritrea's Ministry of Land, Water and Environment, Ministry of Education, and Ministry of Health, jointly developed and continue to implement the 2019-2030 One WASH Strategy and One WASH Investment Plan, which aims to substantially bolster and actualize the government's vision of ensuring universal access to safe drinking water, as well as sanitation and hygiene for all Eritreans by 2030.

### Water remains a critical national priority and cross-sector cooperation is key

For Eritrea, the water sector remains critical for promoting sustainable development and it plays a significant role in socioeconomic growth, poverty

alleviation, food security, and environmental sustainability. It also assumes great significance in enhancing modernization, industries, tourism, and agricultural activities. Reflecting strong high-level political will and long-term effort, the Eritrean government has sought to put in place viable institutions and a comprehensive policy and legal framework for the effective and sustainable management of the water sector. Some of the important legal and policy documents include the Water Resources Proclamation (2010), Water Policy (2008), Water Sector Institutional Framework (2008), the Water Sector for Human Development (2004), and the Eritrean Integrated Water Resources Management Plan (2008).

Collectively, these instruments set out and promote the principles of integrated water resources management as a means to ensure sustainable and environmentally positive management and utilization of water resources for all users in Eritrea, ranging from residents, either within urban or rural areas, to agriculture, business and industries, institutions, and natural ecosystems. They also promote the full, equal inclusion of all individuals, communities, population groups, and national sectors in the country's water management, usage, and development activities.

### Measures for protection and restoration of water-related ecosystems

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# OPINION

## Sports: The Source of National Pride

Simon Weldemichael

On Sunday, July 21, 2024, the picturesque town of Nice hosted a landmark event that has reshaped the course of sports history. This year's Tour de France witnessed an extraordinary milestone as Eritrea's Biniam Girmay emerged victorious, proving that African athletes can compete and triumph in grand competitions. Eritrea captured the world's attention as its citizens celebrated with immense pride and joy. Biniam Girmay's triumph, winning the prestigious green jersey of the Tour de France, has established him as a beacon of cycling hope and pride for Eritreans and Africans alike, demonstrating the vast potential of riders beyond Europe. Representing Africa on the grandest tour, he has paved the way for more riders from the continent to follow.

Biniam Girmay's victory has not only made Eritreans at home and abroad proud but has also spread a sense of joy and accomplishment across the African continent. The pride that emanates from this sporting success transcends Eritrea's borders, spreading like a contagion of joy throughout Africa. Cycling, already a source of national pride in Eritrea, has now intensified the sense of Eritrean identity in a unique and powerful way. Through this sporting achievement, Eritrea has been able to supplement its public diplomacy with the soft power generated by its athletes who display admirable values and set positive examples for others to follow.

Sport has long been a source of national pride for Eritrea. Eritrea, although developing country, has successfully produced world class sportsmen and women who can bring prestige to their country. The success in sport offers Eritrea to practice public diplomacy in order to both project and boost its soft power in the international system. The remarkable achievement of Eritrean athletes at continental and international stages enhance the true thriving image of Eritrea. Participation and winning in grand competitions gives Eritrea an additional leverage in strengthening its relations, mutual understanding and formulating a compelling national brand. It's certain now that Eritrea can be a prominent voice on the world stage through sport diplomacy. Eritrea offer a model for all small and poor countries of the world that if sport is administered effectively it can be a source of power in advancing national interest.



Cycling, the most popular sport in Eritrea, enjoys the enthusiastic support of the entire nation, with numerous participants engaged in the sport. The success of Biniam Girmay has created a wave of cohesiveness, and fostering connections with Africans, while also popularizing Eritrea within the international community.

In his first stage win, Biniam congratulated the people of Eritrea and Africa at large, proclaiming, "It's our moment, our time... This win is for all Africans, congrats, I'm just super happy today." Biniam's achievements go beyond winning the green jersey; he has triumphed over long-standing prejudices. As a trailblazer, he is instilling a belief in African youth that success is attainable. His victory has sparked celebrations of African identity,

and Eritrean pride. As the only black African rider among the 176 participants in this year's Tour de France, his success is historic in multiple ways. Beyond being a national hero in Eritrea, he has become an "African king" to fans across the continent, an international star, and the first African to win the green jersey of the Tour de France in its 111 years history.

Despite being a country burdened with overlapping challenges, Eritrea has successfully become a cycling powerhouse, using this sport as a tool to achieve national pride. The national pride of Eritreans has always been high, with citizens maintaining a positive relationship with their country and with each other. The pride that every Eritrean citizen holds for the nation is profound and enduring. This national pride remains steadfast across times of war and peace, serving as a crucial element in the overall historical journey of the country. It strengthens attitudes, cohesion, empathy, and solidarity among Eritreans, consequently enhancing their willingness to make necessary sacrifices to achieve national objectives.

Eritrea places significant value on the role of human capital.

The National Charter of 1994 unequivocally states that "the human element should be accorded a central position in our development strategies." The national document further emphasizes, "In all our programs and activities, we must realize the decisive role of the human factor... It is primarily the human aspects by which we build Eritrea: strong will, diligence, efficiency, the work ethic, discipline, ability and skills, and inventiveness." Sport can be an effective tool for development in many ways, contributing significantly to social change and helping the country escape poverty. The achievements of young Eritrean athletes serve as model for the rest of the youth.

Numerous studies highlight that national pride stems from various sources, with sports being the most

of Eritrea. The country's pride in sports, particularly in cycling and athletics, has a long and storied history. The Eritrean national cycling team has repeatedly become African champions, and its people take great pride in their country's sporting achievements. It has become a tradition in Asmara to organize welcoming ceremonies upon the athletes' return from competitions. Eritrean athletes excel in various sports and compete internationally, with remarkable figures such as Zersenay Tadesse, Daniel Teklehaymanot, Biniam Girmay, and Henok Mulubrhan earning the title of "Black diamonds" from sportswriters.

In conclusion, Biniam Girmay has become a national hero, standing on the stage with pride, proudly displaying the Eritrean flag. His achievements have inspired not only Eritreans but also Africans and sports enthusiasts worldwide, proving that with determination and



common, followed by arts and literature, military victories, history, and more. The participation and achievements of Eritrean athletes in major continental and international tournaments significantly enhance the sense of pride among the people

talent, barriers can be broken, and new heights can be reached. Biniam Girmay's journey is a testament to the power of sports in uniting people, fostering national pride, and promoting a positive image of Eritrea on the global stage.





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# VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Bisha Mining Share Company is inviting applicants for the following position for Bisha site project.

**Position:** Accountant  
**Department:** FITS/Finance  
**Number Required:** One (01)

**Primary Purpose**

Assisting Senior accountant and Analysts in daily, weekly and monthly accounting activities as required.

**Essential Function**

Assisting Senior Accountants and Analysts  
Assist in preparing Reports  
Maintain asset and project register  
Assist in preparing GL account reconciliations

<b>Qualifications</b>	
Degree or Diploma in Accounting / Finance	
<b>Knowledge and Experience:</b>	
Two Years or more experience in an accounting environment. Knowledge of accounting principles and Accounting Software is desirable.	
<b>Technical Skills</b>	<b>Behavioural Skills</b>

Computer Literacy (MS Office – Intermediate) Mathematical Ability & analytical skill Attention to detail & Accounting Principles Problem solving skill & Financial Acumen Understanding of GAAP, IFRS & IAS Compliance to accounting standards	Communication (English and local language) Assertiveness & confidentiality Interpersonal Relations Ability to work towards strict deadlines High level of accuracy Discretion & Integrity
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**General Information and other requirements:**

**Salary:** As per Company salary scale.  
**Type of Contract:** Indefinite  
**Place of work:** Bisha

**Additional requirements for Nationals:**

Having fulfilled his/her National Service obligation and provided evidence of release paper from the Ministry of Defense.  
Present clearance paper from current/last employer.  
Testimonial documents to be attached (CV, work experience credentials, a copy of your National Identity Card etc.).  
Only shortlisted applicants will be considered as potential candidates for an interview.  
Application documents will not be returned to the sender.  
All applications should be sent through the post office.

**Deadline for application: 10 days from the day of publication in the Newspaper.**

**Address: Please mail your applications to.**  
Bisha Mining Share Company,  
P. O. Box 4276  
Asmara, Eritrea

**Note to Eritrean applicants:**

Please send a copy of your application to  
1. Aliens Employment permits Affairs,  
P. O. Box 7940  
Asmara, Eritrea.  
2. Mineral Resources Management  
P. O. Box 272  
Asmara, Eritrea

# Eritrea's Second Voluntary National ...

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Over the years, a number of vital steps have been taken in order to protect and restore Eritrea's water-related ecosystems. Through the enactment of government directives, large enclosures have been established and several priority areas for protection have been delineated and mapped. The latter include large areas in Semienawi and Debubawi Keih Bahri (covering approximately 106,000 hectares [ha]), Buri-Irori-Hawakil (about 867,000 ha), the Berasole estuary (13,100 ha), and the Gash-Setit Elephant Sanctuary (44,000 ha).

Additionally, the cutting of live trees is legally prohibited and actively enforced, while afforestation and reforestation programs, which involve the active participation of government ministries and institutions, local communities, student and youth groups, and other entities, have been frequently and regularly conducted in all regions of the country.

As a key component of these initiatives,

more than 45 million tree seedlings of different types have been planted since 2006, with a high survival rate. As well, an improved, more efficient, and safer stove was designed by experts from the Ministry of Energy and Mines and Ministry of Agriculture. The stove, known locally as "Adhanet", is more energy efficient compared to those traditionally used – decreasing consumption by an estimated 50 percent. Through programs initiated by the MoA, more than 170,000 stoves have been installed in households nationwide and its uptake has helped to reduce the use of wood for fuel significantly.

Alongside these strong efforts, thousands of kilometers of terraces have been constructed and reinforced, while numerous water diversion schemes have been developed in all six of the country's administrative regions, particularly within rural areas.

Together, these initiatives have significantly helped to combat land degradation, tangibly contributed to the restoration of ecologically damaged

forests and other areas, and maximized land use within extremely difficult and considerably challenging terrain. They have also played a tremendously positive role in reducing soil erosion and increasing soil quality, while also tangibly helping to promote water conservation and combat the widespread destruction associated with flooding.

**Protecting mangroves and attention to coastal areas**

Eritrea's territorial waters within the Red Sea extend to cover a total area of about 55,000 km<sup>2</sup>, while the country has more than 350 islands of varying sizes, with most of them concentrated within the Dahlak archipelago, east of Massawa. About 102 km<sup>2</sup> of the Eritrean mainland and island coastlines are covered by mangrove forests, with three of the seven main mangrove species present within the Red Sea found along the Eritrean coast, while seagrasses also form an integral part of the coastal biodiversity.

Recognizing the vital and multifaceted

importance of mangroves for people and the environment, the Eritrean government has remained firmly committed to their restoration, sustainable use, and conservation. Through several programs organized and implemented by the Ministry of Marine Resources (MoMR), with the backing of other ministries and institutions, a large number of trees have been planted, including many salt-tolerant varieties. In fact, Eritrea is one of the few countries in the world that has seen an increase in its mangrove coverage.

Raising general awareness among the public has also been a critical part of Eritrea's holistic, well-rounded approach to protecting and preserving mangroves. The MoMR has organized regular open meetings with local coastal communities in order to raise understanding about the helpful, consequential role that mangroves play for local ecosystems, species, and communities. Additionally, national media outlets have frequently broadcast detailed messages and programs in all national languages, helping to promote beneficial practices.



**STATE OF ERITREA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE  
LETTER OF INVITATION FOR BIDS**

1. The State of Eritrea, Ministry of Agriculture, and National Project Coordination Office (NPCO) has received financing from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) towards the cost of Integrated Agricultural Development Project (IADP) and intends to apply part of the financing for the purchase of these goods. The use of any IFAD financing shall be subject to IFAD's approval, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the financing agreement, as well as IFAD's rules, policies and procedures. IFAD and its officials, agents and employees shall be held harmless from and against all suits, proceedings, claims, demands, losses and liability of any kind or nature brought by any party in connection with Integrated Agricultural Development Project (IADP).

2. The Integrated Agricultural Development Project (IADP) includes three components and has six years' lifetime. The overall goal of the project is to contribute to poverty reduction and food and nutrition security of rural households. The project Development objective is to enhance small holder agricultural production and productivity in sustainable way and improves rural livelihoods.

3. This IFB follows the general procurement notice that appeared on the IFAD website on 31 January, 2024, the United Nations Development Business (UNDB) web site on 31 January, 2024 and a national newspaper *Haddas Eritrea/ Eritrean profile* on 2 March, 2024.

4. The purchaser now invites sealed bids from eligible entities ("bidders") for the provision of **Supply, installation and commissioning of Automatic weather stations, Procurement and establishment of food technology laboratory and Procurement of laboratory and farm equipment and supplies by International Competitive Bidding and Procurement of plastic biogas digester and accessories by National Competitive Bidding (NCB)**. More details on these goods and related services are provided in the schedule of requirements in this bidding document.

5. This IFB is open to all eligible bidders who wish to respond. Subject to the restrictions noted in the bidding document, eligible entities may associate with other bidders to enhance their capacity to successfully deliver the goods and related services. Potential bidders should first request for a registration form using email address below. Upon filling the form, Potential bidders should be return through a reply email and set of the bidding document will be provide immediately thereafter at no charge.

6. Bidding will be conducted using the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) method, the evaluation procedure for which is described in this bidding document, in accordance with the IFAD procurement handbook, which is provided on the IFAD website [www.ifad.org/project-procurement](http://www.ifad.org/project-procurement). The ICB process, as described, will include a review and verification of qualifications and past performance, including a reference check, prior to the contract award.

7. Please note that a pre-bid conference will not be held as described in the bid data sheet BDS, Section II of the bidding document.

8. Bids must be delivered to the address below and in the manner specified in the BDS ITB 25 no later than **9:30 am local Asmara, Eritrea's time 10 September, 2024 for the ICB and 29 August, 2024 for NCB**.

Ministry of Agriculture, Procurement and Supplies Management Division (PSMD)  
Lidia Russom (IADP Project Senior Procurement)  
Sawa Street, Asmara, Eritrea  
Lidyarusomlidu1221@gmail.com  
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9. Bidders should be aware that late bids will not be accepted under any circumstances and will be returned unopened to the bidder. All bids must be accompanied by a bid securing deceleration.

10. Please note that electronic bids shall not be accepted as defined in ITB BDS 25.



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HUAKAN 514 DRILLING COMPANY (ERITREA)

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Our company Huakan 514 Drilling Company (Eritrea) invites qualified applicant for the following positions.

1. **Position:** Diamond Drill senior  
technical supervisor

**Number:** 1

2. **Position:** RC Drill senior  
technical supervisor

**Number:** 1

**Salary:** As per Company Scale  
(both positions)

### Main Duties

- To work as a driver in site area.
- Be able to work in any areas of rough weather and road situation.

### Qualifications and Skill Requirement

- Experience in Drilling industry.
- Valid driving license of, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade - 5<sup>th</sup> grade driving license.
- Be able to work in agreement with all the employees of the company.
- Good Knowledge of Repairing drilling and Related machinery.
- Who Operate machines both: -
  - Diamond Drilling Rig
  - RC Drilling Rig

### Work Experience

- At least 5 years' or more experience in related job.
- Activities if with recommendation or supporting letter from the company he previously work.
- All candidates should provide certificate of completion or exemption from national service.
- List of project participate.

Deadline for application is 5 (Five) days from the day of publication in the Newspaper.  
Interested applicant is invited to send the application to the following address.

**Address:** Huakan 514 Drilling Company (Eritrea)  
Warsay Avenue  
SA Building 4<sup>th</sup> floor Room 402  
Tel., 110010Asmara, Eritrea.

### Note to Eritrean applications

Please send a copy of your application to:

- Mineral Resources Management  
P.O. Box 272, Asmara, Eritrea.
- Aliens Employment Permit Affaires  
P.O. Box 7940 Asmara Eritrea

**STATE OF ERITREA  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE  
INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)**

1. The Government of Eritrea has received a Grant from the international Fund for Agricultural Development towards the cost of integrated Agriculture Development project (IADP) and it is intended that part of the proceeds of this Grant will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for the; - Procurement of Degradable and non-degradable plastic materials assorted in 3 lots and Procurement of Mini track with accessories assorted in 2 lots by international shopping (IS).

2. The Eligible bidders should have a renewed license for 2024 appropriate for these supplies.

3. Bid shall be valid for a period of 60 days after Bid opening and delivered to procurement and supplies Management unit office on or before 29/08/2024 local hours 09:30 AM and will be opened on the same date at 10:00 AM local hours.

4. A complete set of bidding documents may be collected by any interested Eligible bidders from the address below.

Ministry of Agriculture, Procurement and Supplies Management Division (PSMD)  
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## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT VA/01/2024

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) office in Asmara invites qualified applicants (Eritrean) for the following vacant post:

Job Code Title: Communication  
Classified Grade: Internship – Local  
Duty Station: Asmara

### Organizational Context

Guided by the UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework Between the Government of the State of Eritrea and the United Nations 2022 – 2026 (developed in close partnership with the Government of the State of Eritrea), the UNDP Country Office will seek to enhance the delivery as one, further strengthening the position and the brand of the UNDP as a driver of change in the Sustainable Development Agenda.

### Sustainable Development Goals

Having the priorities of the UN Sustainable Development Cooperation fully aligned with the national priorities and recognizing the SDG as a national priority, UNDP Eritrea is prioritizing aligning its communication to the SDGs. This will be done through visual branding on programme articles posted on the web and social media as well as publications. Creative engagements to communicate the SDGs will be identified to complement the SDG localization efforts underway.

### Gender Equality

UNDP Eritrea will use gender-sensitive language in its communication of its development interventions and corporate messaging and promote monitored gender equality results from projects. UNDP Eritrea will use gender-sensitive and non-discriminatory language in all of its communications, including development interventions and corporate messaging. It will also regularly promote monitored results about women's empowerment and gender equality. All communication will also ensure diversity, equality, and inclusion in both visual and written outputs.

### Youth Empowerment and Promotion of Innovations

UNDP Eritrea's communication will also highlight the country office's intervention in the areas of promoting youth innovation and digital technologies.

UNDP will place importance on the role of innovation by implementing initiatives and creation a platform for youth to express their innovative ideas and translate that into practical new and improved products.

### Communicating to build partnerships.

UNDP Eritrea's communication will seek to strengthen the country office's partnership engagement and resource mobilization efforts. It will do so by highlighting partnerships with development partners around interventions to support the country's transformation agenda.

### Key Duties and Accountabilities

Under the direct supervision of the Communication Analyst and DRR, the intern will help to:

- Support the development of UNDP Publications.
- Manage the UNDP Youth Connects for Development
- Contribute to the ideation of new digital and social media campaigns.
- Participate and contribute to communications meetings;

### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

#### Education

To be considered for the position, individuals should meet at least one of the below criteria:

- be enrolled in a postgraduate degree programme (such as a BA or master's programme) in the fields of Communications, Marketing, Public Relations, International Studies, Graphic Design, Journalism or related;

### UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

#### Skills:

- excellent English oral and written communication skills;
- literate in standard programmes (MS Office, Canva, Illustrator, Adobe Suite, or similar software);
- ability to use a range of social media tools (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, TikTok, LinkedIn, Hootsuite, or equivalent).

It is an advantage for applicants to have experience in:

- Having experience in developing publications;
- be passionate about nature, climate change, energy, and governance issues;
- be curious, take initiative, and approach new tasks with a can-do attitude;
- creating basic videos using video editing software;
- have experience in producing compelling social media content;
- developing visual assets in Canva, Illustrator, Adobe Suite, or similar software.

#### Language requirements (Required / Desired)

- Fluent written and spoken English is required.

#### Other

- Qualified female candidates are especially encouraged to apply.

#### Application

Please provide the following documents to be considered:

- CV
- motivational letter
- samples showcasing 1) work experience if any,.

#### Application Procedure

- Qualified candidates are requested to apply online via this website;
  - The application must contain a) Cover letter and b) Curriculum Vitae.
- Please compile all the documents to a box available in UNDP reception.

Application link: [https://estm.fa.em2.oraclecloud.com/hcmUI/CandidateExperience/en/sites/CX\\_1/job/15722/?utm\\_medium=jobshare](https://estm.fa.em2.oraclecloud.com/hcmUI/CandidateExperience/en/sites/CX_1/job/15722/?utm_medium=jobshare)

Only shortlisted candidates will be invited to an interview.

<b>Closing Date:</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>July 2024</b>
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Copy of document indicating exemption from/completion of national service should be uploaded.

UNDP is committed to achieving workforce diversity in terms of gender, nationality and culture. Individuals from minority groups, indigenous groups and persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply. All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.

UNDP does not tolerate sexual exploitation and abuse, any kind of harassment, including sexual harassment, and discrimination. All selected candidates will, therefore, undergo rigorous reference and background checks.

(Only Short-Listed Candidates will be contacted).





# “OCMHS producing Health Professionals in Tune with Society’s Needs”

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**My name is Rumeysa Humed mohammedmussa.** I graduated from radiology technician in diploma.

I was born in Afabet and raised

**My name is Hamid Mohammedali Hamid.** I graduated from the department of pharmacy technician.

I am from Mensura, Gash Barka region, I finished high school and went to Sawa. My parents were very inspiring in helping me through my school years. I also want to appreciate the government’s effort for equal distribution of education to all parts of the country especially to the remote areas like mine. During our community services, we worked in various chain pharmacies, satellite pharmacies,

in Massawa and finished my high school there. After sawa, I joined the OCMHS to achieve my dream. I always wanted to join this field because when I was a little girl I saw many health workers in clinics or hospitals caring for their patients and helping them so I always wanted to be like them. When I joined college, I finally realized that this is the moment that I will attain my dream. I worked very hard and was able to finish my education like this. I am so happy and I hope to continue my profession to the next level.

**What is the role of your parents in your educational life?**

My parents are the base of my success so I thank them for everything they did for me and advise other parents to support their children to be successful.



storage and compounding so we gained a lot of experience.

*Orrota College of Medicine and Health Science (OCMHS) held its third commencement on 27<sup>th</sup> July at the University of Asmara graduating 275 students in different fields of study. The OCMHS was established in September 2018 under the umbrella of the National Higher Education and Research Institute. Here is a brief interview with some of the graduates.*

**A short introduction about yourself.**

**My name is Doctor Abraham Amanuel.** I am post graduate specialist in gynecology and obstetrics. I am class of 2012 of the school of medicine, and have been working in different hospitals. Since the start of my residency in 2019 I have been working hard to fulfill all the obligations the field requires.

**How do you explain your study?**

As the field is related to life it asks a lot of hard work, patience and commitment. It requires a greater responsibility with the depth and specialty of the field.

**What is the secret of your success?**

The most important factor of my success was how I was able to manage my time and focus on my study. The love and respect for the profession is also an undeniable motivation.

**How do you explain your role on health services?**

It is obvious that it will bring

From my point of view, general medicine is highly related to women than men because everything is related to mothers. Even when we talk about life, it starts in the womb of a mother. So if mothers are educated, they can produce productive children and community and a nation at the end. So Eritrean girls must be encouraged to join the school of medicine and work hard to show their ability to the society.

**How was your parent’s role in your success?**

My parents role was huge it cannot be explained in minutes. It’s because of them that I’m here today, so I am grateful to my parents, family and teachers as well.

notable change in the delivery of effective health services around the country. As the government’s effort is to provide efficient, accessible and affordable health services, we are ready to perform our duty and meet the needs of our society.

Therefore, this kind of specialization should continue and encourage the young graduating doctors to work harder.



**My name is Hiyab Afwerki,** and I graduated from the department of clinical laboratory science.

As a little girl, I always wanted to work in the field of medicine; so when I scored well in the matriculation exams, I decided to join the college of health science and registered in the department of clinical laboratory science. As the field is related to laboratory technology, it demands focus and persistent studying so with all the hard work I was able to receive my degree with honor, so I am very happy. I would love to say congrats to all the graduates and my parent because they are the backbone of my success and to my lecturers as well.

If you work hard and manage your time properly everything is possible. Clinical laboratory science is related with investigation of patient’s samples so it needs care and concentration, because the patient’s diagnosis depends on your deeper examination. The field really requires hard work and commitment.



**My name is Doctor Mahtem Yemane,** general practitioner. I wanted to be a doctor early on my childhood, then when I was in high school I started to work hard to achieve my ambition. I went to sawa and got full points in the

matriculation exam. So I was able to achieve my dream and joined the school of medicine.

General medicine is a very vast field and it requires a lot of effort and commitment. I also believe that medicine demands passion, you have to be passionate about your work.

There are a lot of stereotypes against women in the world that deprive us from our basic rights, but these kind of marginalization are out of the picture in Eritrea thanks to our mothers who equally fought with their male comrades to bring independence Also the government’s huge investment to develop human capacity in all aspects of the nation’s development is to be applauded.

