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The overall humanitarian situation in Ethiopia remains fragile, affected by a combination of violence, insecurity and the impact of natural events. Against this background, the EU has allocated EUR 43 million for Ethiopia in 2026 to provide life-saving assistance to the most vulnerable, including in post-conflict areas of Tigray where people continue to suffer the consequences of the conflict.

Aid delivery is nonetheless constrained by insecurity and bureaucratic impediments, including limits on data collection. The EU continues to call for unimpeded humanitarian access and for a joint information management system, transparently reflecting the reality of humanitarian needs in the country.

The EU follows closely the developments in Tigray, remains concerned by the displacement, insecurity and human rights violations reported in Tigray and wider Ethiopia, and has repeatedly¹ expressed concerns over rising tensions and breaches of the Pretoria Agreement.

The EU will continue to encourage the resumption of talks and to support the African Union-led mediation efforts, while reiterating the importance of accountability, protection of civilians and respect for international humanitarian law and human rights laws.

Finally, the EU supports accountability efforts and credible investigations, including through relevant international and regional human rights mechanisms. This includes ongoing support to the Ethiopian Human Rights Commission as well as society organisations to enable a transparent, accountable, inclusive, participatory, survivor-centred and inclusive transitional justice process.

¹ European External Action Service, 'Statement by the Spokesperson on the latest developments in Tigray', 30 April 2026, https://www.eeas.europa.eu/eeas/ethiopia-statement-spokesperson-latest-developments-tigray_en; EU Delegation to Ethiopia, 'EU Delegation to Ethiopia on the situation in Tigray', 29 June 2026, <https://www.facebook.com/eudelethiopia/posts/eu-delegation-to-ethiopia-on-the-situation-in-tigray-concerned-about-the-tense-s/1348408380816486>.