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New Horizon of Hope

Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed's (PhD) Key Activities of the Month



On March 1, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed inaugurated Addis International Convention Centre, the latest addition to Ethiopia's ongoing efforts to strengthen the Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Exhibitions (MICE) sector. As a world-class venue, it plays a crucial role in attracting international events, fostering business tourism, and positioning the country as a premier destination for global gatherings.

Speaking on the inaugural ceremony, Prime Minister Abiy said that the Addis International Convention Centre is a critical piece of infrastructure

that will expand our nation's capacity to host large-scale conferences and exhibitions.

On the same day, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed extended greetings on the 129th anniversary of Adwa Victory. In his message, the Prime Minister stated that the battle of Adwa ultimately became a campaign for peace. As Adwa Victory is inarguably the most seminal moment in Ethiopia's history, the Prime Minister explained how Ethiopians had consistently shown a firm commitment to peace before the Adwa campaign.



On March 5, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed, following his visit to the Homicho Ammunition Engineering Complex, underscored that Ethiopia has developed the capability to produce ammunition. “Although there were previous attempts to manufacture bullets domestically, the country relied on imports until three years ago,” he said, adding that Ethiopia has now developed the capability to produce ammunition locally and even export it.

It is encouraging to see these advancements, as they contribute to building a fully capable and well-equipped national defense force, the Prime Minister explained. Beyond defense, a nation must also be able to produce its own food, clothing, and medicine to achieve true self-reliance. He further stressed that Ethiopia, as a large nation, must ensure a smooth

generational transition while strengthening its self-sufficiency.



On March 6, 2025, during his visit to Ambo Woreda, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed, along with Deputy Prime Minister Temesgen Tiruneh and the region's President, Shimeles Abdissa, toured the Keegna Beverage Industry, which is set to commence operations in a few weeks with a production capacity of 3 million hectoliters.

They also visited a model kebele in Ambo Woreda, part of the region's largest devolution of power initiative. As part of this effort, 7,342 kebeles have been equipped with 50,000 professionals to deliver end-to-end services that were previously centralized at the Woreda level.

This initiative has made essential services more accessible to communities by establishing kebele-level governments. Additionally, the Prime Minister reviewed progress on the Dendi section of the Wanchi-Dendi Eco Lodge development. The civil construction phase has been completed, and finishing works are now underway.



On March 8, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed inaugurated SkyWin Aeronautics Industries, a company that manufactures unmanned aerial vehicles for both civilian and military use. This industry is part of Ethiopia's broader efforts to achieve technological self-reliance in the security sector. Ethiopia has developed the capacity not only to produce and utilize drones but also to export them, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed announced on the occasion.

Speaking on the occasion, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed revealed that the locally manufactured drones before us were unimaginable just a few years ago. Our ability to produce drones with diverse capabilities—designed and built by our own young professionals—is a significant milestone, he stated.

To sustain this progress, the Prime Minister stressed the need for investing in continuous research, expanding market reach, and strengthening local production of smart sensor technologies.

“We are developing capabilities like these—along with the advancements at Homicho Ammunition Engineering Industry—not to fuel conflict, but to prevent it. Through deterrence, we seek to secure peace and stability in the face of belligerent actors,” the Premier underlined.

On March 11, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed, First Lady Zinash Tayachew accompanied with high-level federal and regional level officials observed the progress of summer wheat cultivation in the lowlands of East Hararge. In a social media post that the Prime Minister shared that with dedication and effort, Ethiopia can not only sustain itself but also contribute to others. He also urged the Ethiopian public to reinforce this important work.



On the same day, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed had a visit to terrace construction and soil and water conservation efforts in Grawa Woreda, East Hararge Zone, Oromia Region.



On the same day, on March 11, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed's visit to development projects in Harar included a tour of Mass Engineering Enterprise, which produces locally made materials for the region's corridor projects; a 'Bounty of the Basket' site; and the bread factory built for the region, by the Office of the First Lady.





On March 12, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed and First Lady Zinash Tayachew presided over Iftar dinner program in Harar city and visited Harar's Jegol.

On the same day, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed reviewed the construction process of the civic center in Dire Dawa city, along with the library funded by proceeds from the sale of Generation Medemer books.





Moreover, on the same day, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed visited the on-going corridor development activities in Dire Dawa city and attended Iftar dinner in Dire Dawa.



On March 13, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed, late afternoon, met with Cuba's Foreign Minister, Bruno Rodríguez Parrilla, for discussions on bilateral relations.



On the same day, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed welcomed President João Manuel Gonçalves Lourenço of Angola to Ethiopia. The Prime Minister shared on social media pages that our discussions provided a valuable opportunity to explore bilateral issues, and in his new role as Chair of the African Union, we also addressed key continental and multilateral matters.



On March 14, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed visited Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) in Addis Ababa. The Prime Minister underscored that Ethiopia is proud to host Africa CDC, a specialized public health agency of the African Union. Its laboratory and research capabilities play a crucial role in disease prevention and in coordinating responses to epidemics and pandemics, the Premier revealed. He further explained this also presents a valuable opportunity for our health sector professionals to engage in continental research efforts and utilize its advanced laboratory facilities.

On March 15, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed hosted the customary annual Iftar dinner at the newly restored National Palace, welcoming underprivileged community members who also had the opportunity to explore its historic treasures.



On March 16, 2025, the second night of Iftar at the National Palace, hosted by Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed, welcomed around 200 refugees from various countries. The group also had the opportunity to tour the newly restored National Palace.



On March 17, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed reviewed corridor development activities in Bahir Dar city of Amhara region and hailed the city's stunning features. The Prime Minister wrote on social media pages that the corridor development has been transforming Bahir Dar into a vibrant hub of commerce and tourism, offering lessons in resilience, connectivity, and innovation.



On March 20, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed appeared at the House of People's Representatives (HPR) to address questions from members of the parliament. The Prime Minister gave a wide-range of responses and explanations to those queries on a spectrum of pressing national issues and economic activities of the country. The clarification encompasses peace and security, diplomacy, regional affairs, Red Sea (seaport), the current status of the implementation of the Pretoria Agreement and other issues.





On March 22, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed and First Lady Zinash Tayachew visited the Afar Region, where they toured key development projects showcasing the region's growing agricultural and industrial capacity.

Their visit included a review of an iodized salt manufacturing plant that began operations six months ago, now producing 15 tons per hour. They also visited the Ayrolaaf animal feed bank development center and a wheat farm, where Afar has successfully launched summer wheat cultivation. Defying past assumptions about its agricultural potential, the region has made significant strides in wheat production through irrigation.

Highlighting the full cycle of food production—from farm to table—the Prime Minister joined the First Lady in inaugurating a state-of-the-art bread and flour processing factory built by the Office of the First Lady. With advanced equipment, the facility can mill 420 quintals of wheat daily, while its bakery produces an impressive 300,000 loaves of bread every 24 hours.

On March 24, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed, in a social media post, said our national aspirations for self-sufficiency and import substitution can only be achieved through continuous innovation and hard work. “I am pleased to see our ambitious youth channeling their talents and ideas into meaningful and practical innovations through the Skill Ethiopia challenge,” he stated. Congratulating those already engaged in innovation, the Premier also encourages other young people to observe the pressing needs of the communities and strive to create solutions in service of their nation. Additionally, he called upon all stakeholders, including the business community, to support these and other young innovators in scaling up their production capabilities.

On March 27, 2025, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed extended best wishes to all celebrating Fichee Chambalalla, the New Year festival of Sidama people.



On March 29, 2025 the Premier also expressed his best wishes for Eid al-Fitr, marking the end of Ramadan.

Video of the Month



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