



# Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER

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## New Horizon of Hope

### Key Activities of the Month

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On 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2023, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed's 'Dine for Ethiopia initiative and component of the Koysha cluster, Halala Kella Resort was officially handed over to the South Western Ethiopia region by the Office of the Prime Minister. The regional state has entered into an agreement with Paradise Lodges Resorts and Hotels Management PLC to manage and operate the resort under the brand identity 'Halala Kella Resort'.

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On June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed inaugurated the Unity Park Botanical Center, the Unity Archive, and the Prime Minister Office Medical Center on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2023. Prime Minister Abiy reiterated that adequate and productive use of spaces is essential in value creation.





**On June 5<sup>th</sup> 2023**, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed held a discussion with Brazil's Foreign Minister, Mauro Vieira on strengthened ties between Ethiopia and Brazil as well as cooperation on multilateral issues.



**On June 6<sup>th</sup> 2023**, the Council of Ministers in its 21<sup>st</sup> session and in the presence of Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed referred 801.6-billion Birr budget for the Ethiopian fiscal year 2016 to the House of People's Representatives. Accordingly, 369.6 billion Birr has been allocated for recurrent spending, 203.9 billion Birr for capital expenditure, 214.07 billion Birr to subsidize regional states, and 14 billion Birr for Sustainable Development Goals.



# The Launching of 2<sup>nd</sup> Phase Green Legacy Initiative by Premier Abiy

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On June 8<sup>th</sup> 2023, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed launched the second phase of the Green Legacy Initiative in Afar region under the theme: “Let’s Plant the Future Today.” The Prime Minister indicated that the second phase of the Green Legacy Initiative has been launched following a successful first phase in which the nation planted 25 billion seedlings and was set to plant another 25 billion seedlings in the second phase.

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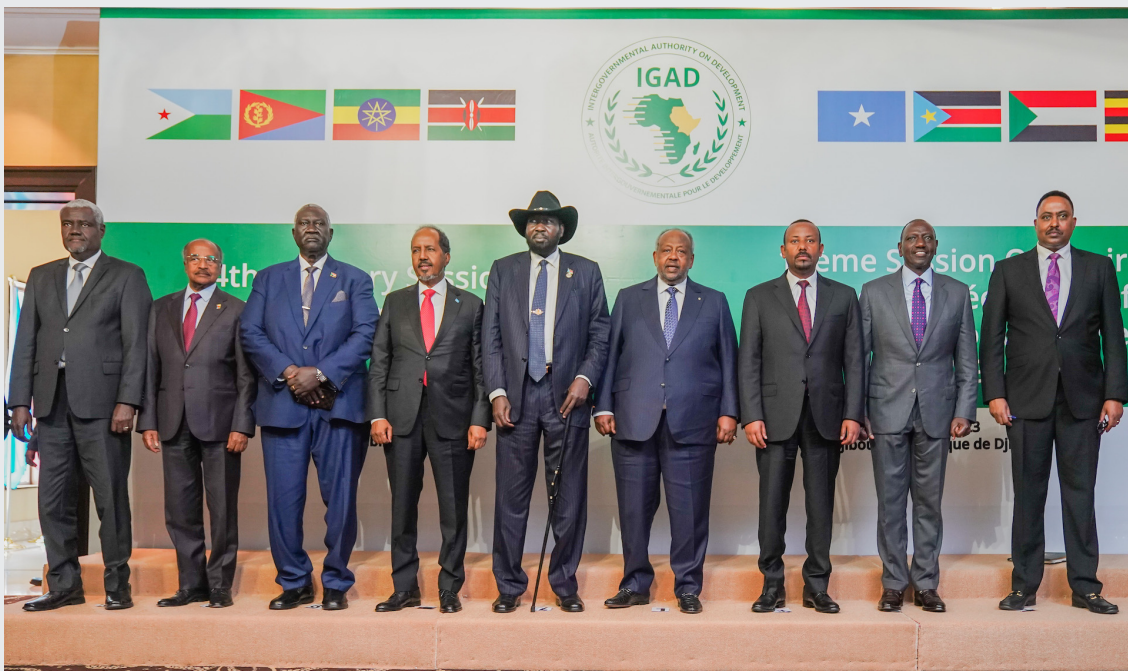
On June 9<sup>th</sup> 2023, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed and First Lady Zinash Tayachew planted Green Legacy seedlings with the leadership and staff members of the Office of the Prime Minister.

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## **Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed's participation at the 14th Ordinary Session of IGAD Assembly of Heads of State and Government**

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Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed and his delegation arrived in Djibouti City on **June 12<sup>th</sup> 2023** to participate in the 14th Ordinary Session of the IGAD Assembly of Heads of State and Government.

On the same day, Prime Minister Abiy also held talks with President Hassan Sheikh Mohamud of Somalia and President William Ruto of Kenya on the sidelines of the 14<sup>th</sup> IGAD Ordinary Summit of Heads of State and Government. “Given our many shared mutual interests and concerns, Ethiopia will continue working closely with each country in overcoming common challenges,” the premiere shared later.

Moreover, the Prime Minister together with the other leaders and senior government officials planted seedlings as part of the Green Legacy initiative during the 14th Ordinary Session of the IGAD Assembly of Heads of State and Government.

“IGAD member states have continuously faced the harsh effects of climate change. Following the conclusion of an outcome-based meeting, we have planted seedlings in Djibouti City as part of the Green Legacy Initiative,” the premier said.

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On June 20<sup>th</sup> 2023, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed officially opened a National Health Exhibition which will remain open for a month at the Science Museum.

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## Prime Minister Abiy's Participation at the Summit for a New Global Financing Pact



On June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed with his delegation participated in the Summit for a New Global Financing Pact. On the same day, the premiere participated in the roundtable entitled “Evolving the model of multilateral development Banks to address the 21st century challenges”.



Sharing his perspectives of the recent development challenges of the world, Prime Minister Abiy emphasized the need to implement past pledges with resolve, for instance, in climate change, to boost concessional financing facilities, create a robust mechanism to finance the transition to a green future and end the debt crisis.

Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed met Kristalina Georgieva, Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on the sideline of the Paris Summit for a New Global Financing Pact. He appreciated the IMF's continued engagement and support, including its scaled-up efforts in responding to climate challenges.

The premier also congratulated the incoming President of the World Bank Group (WBG), Ajay Banga. "Ethiopia encourages WBG to enhance its mission to respond to new challenges —climate change, pandemics and conflict issues while reaffirming the centrality of the twin goals of poverty reduction and shared prosperity," the Prime Minister expressed in a tweet following their meeting.

**On June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2023**, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed attended the second and closing day of the Summit for a New Global Financing Pact.

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Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed on **24<sup>th</sup> June 2023** extended his appreciation to President Emmanuel Macron of France for the warm reception accorded to him in Paris, France. "I extend my appreciation to President Emmanuel Macron for the warm reception in Paris; for productive sessions during the

Summit for a New Global Financing Pact and the willingness to support African countries.”

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On June 27<sup>th</sup> 2023, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed extended his best wishes to all Ethiopian Muslims on 1444<sup>th</sup> Eid al-Adha, which was celebrated the next day across the country. In his message, the premier said that we Ethiopians have learned two important lessons from this Islamic history. The first lesson is that there are times when people are confronted with challenges and determined to overcome the difficulties and the second lesson is that those who have reached ultimate goals are the ones who have compromised even what they have regarded most valuable to them, he stated.

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On June 29<sup>th</sup> 2023 and on the occasion of the First Extraordinary Session of the General Assembly of the Organization of Educational Cooperation, renamed during the extraordinary session as the Organization of Southern Cooperation, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed emphasized that investments in education are key in supporting youth navigate a dynamic world. He further shared efforts on Education being made by Ethiopia in ensuring inclusivity.

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## Statements

- 21<sup>st</sup> Ordinary Session of the Council of Ministers  
<http://bitly.ws/K2X7>



- 1444<sup>th</sup> Eid al-Adha Message of the Prime Minister  
<http://bitly.ws/K2ZU>

## Spot of the Month

- Unity Park Botanical Center  
<http://bitly.ws/K2Pc>

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## Quote of the Month

“We finish what we start. By the end of this year’s Green Legacy planting season, Ethiopia will have planted 31 billion seedlings. Join and let’s make history together!”

– Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed

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## Photo of the Month



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