

## Hand-over of Ambulances to Amhara and Benishangul-Gumuz Regions with UNFPA

On 12 December 2022, ten ambulances purchased with funding from the Governments of Japan, Canada and Ireland were handed-over in Addis Ababa to the Afar, Amhara, Beningshangul-Gumuz and Tigray Regions. Japan is supporting the UNFPA project “Addressing Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and Sexual Reproductive Health (SRH) in selected conflict and COVID-19 affected districts in Amhara and Benishangul-Gumuz Regions” and purchased two ambulances as part of this project.

The health system in these regions has been devastated by the recent conflicts. The ambulances would be deployed to strengthen the capacity of the health system to respond timely to the sexual and reproductive health needs of women and girls, including survivors of sexual and gender-based violence.

At the hand-over ceremony, Ambassador ITO Takako confirmed that Japan will continue to provide assistance for the health sector in Ethiopia, focusing on those in the most vulnerable situations. Japan has just approved another UNFPA project of USD 1.14 million to continue its support in addressing GBV and SRH issues.



New ambulance



Ambulance equipped with medical equipment



Handing-over



Together with Minister of Health and Regional Representatives