



# FOCUS BIRTH ASSOCIATION

*Arba Minch Maternal  
and Newborn Survival  
Project*



## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

1. HELPING BABIES BREATH (HBB)
2. HELPING MOTHERS SURVIVE (HMS)

aims at reducing maternal and newborn mortality by providing essential healthcare services, education, and support by providing the critical care they need at the right time.

Through

- Training healthcare providers
- Supplying basic and essential medical equipment
- Providing follow-up and mentorship and
- Creating partnership with stakeholders

# PROJECT IN NUMBERS

## 10 midwives TOTs highly trained

- highly qualified Trainers of Trainees (TOTs)

## 53 Health centers

- Health Centers equipped with basic and essential life saving materials

## 483 Health Care Providers HCP trained

- 6 full days training
- 1 full day refresher

## 40,000+ deliveries a year

- Because health centers are well equipped and the HCPs are well trained and treat the patients respectfully, institutional deliveries increased.

# ACHIEVED

1. More institutional deliveries and less referral because

- Skilled Health professionals
- Better equipment
- Implementing respectful maternity care

2. Create collaboration with

- Federal Ministry of Health
- Arbaminch University
- Gamo Zone Health Bureau
- Referral Hospital Arbaminch



## NOT ACHIEVED

- Finding partners who will take over the project and scale it up nationwide.
- Not finding a good system to bring basic and essential equipments or finding them locally like (tensiometer, KIWI, Resuscitation set, etc).
- Not having reliable sponsorship. Always wondering where and when the next funding is coming or not.
- Not having local partners who will take over the project.
- Still small team. The idea was to grow up but lack of funding for overhead cost.



## FUTURE PLANS

- We learnt **quality** is more important than quantity. That is why, the next project will be on establishing Center of Excellence where the women choose to go knowing they will be treated respectfully, well-equipped health centers and have highly trained health care providers.



JOIN US IN OUR MISSION TO CREATE A BRIGHTER FUTURE  
FOR FAMILIES IN ETHIOPIA

AND

SUPPORT US IN MAKING A LIFE-SAVING DIFFERENCE.

*Thank you*