



Project: WATER DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Location: Wollo Province, northern Ethiopia

Client: Oxfam, United Kingdom

This project grew out of the requirement to provide emergency water supplies for feeding centres set up by the Ethiopian Government and NGOs during the famine of 1984-86. Once this immediate need was satisfied, the priority shifted to organisational development and training within the Ethiopian Water Works Construction Authority, and to the provision of safe and reliable water supplies for towns and villages.

Services Rendered

As leader of a water development team and adviser to the Ethiopian Water Works Construction Authority in Wollo, Chris Jewell managed a small team of local and expatriate staff; trained Ethiopian counterpart staff in the siting, construction and testing of spring developments, hand-dug wells and boreholes; assisted with the management of three drilling rigs provided by the British Government Overseas Development Administration; and worked with other visiting specialists on the development of geophysical techniques for well siting. He also provided advice to Oxfam and other donor agencies on future material and staff inputs.