

Telling facts and figures about Ethiopia!!

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Ethiopia has significantly made deep going transformative headways in the last nineteen years after the irreversible debacle of the heinous and nefarious Fascistic Military Dictatorship and installing in its place a new and dynamic democratic politico- economic order and a just social milieu. Since the onset of this historic moment, the country has irrefutably witnessed the sprouting and steady burgeoning of the equality of all nations and nationalities that abound to-day in its embryo.

It is indeed, in the last two decades that the inalienable human and democratic rights of its populace were ascertained protected by the law of the land as enshrined in the country's ever Constitution written and ratified by the unrestricted participation of the citizenry. After having laid the quintessential basis and fundamental cornerstone for the unobstructed and unabated development of a parliamentary democratic social system, Ethiopia has traversed along the surest path of popular elections that run every five years empowering the electorate and eventually the entire population to effectively gauge and decide on the modus operandi of its governance which has ascended currently on its fourth ladder of national and regional elections electrifying and engulfing more popular tide in the wake of the ever increasing participation of the people.

Concomitantly, the Ethiopian government has been strenuously exerting an all round effort with a dogged determination to extricate the nation from the bondage of age old economic backwardness and liberate the people once and for all from the grinding poverty that has been ravaging them for millennia on end and put the country on par with the middle income countries of the globe where it rightly deserves to be, in the not too distant future.

The following few and select facts and figures amply demonstrate and attest to the huge march that the people and government have been underscoring to make poverty history and a thing of the past in our cherished country Ethiopia which is renowned as the cradle humanity.

Population: 83 Million/2009/

Gross Domestic Product/GDP/ As Purchasing Power Parity/PPP/ \$76 Billion

Per Capita Income/As PPP/ \$900.00

GDP Composition by sector: /2009/

Agriculture: 42%

Industry: 16%

Services: 41%

Labor Force: 40 Million

Number of projects owned by foreigners and expatriate Ethiopians:

27--- /2001/

4600---/2009/

Electric Power Grids:

Newly Built: Tekeze, Gilgel GIBE 1, Gilgel Gibe 2, Tana Beles/ Soon to be Commissioned/ Gilgel GIBE 3/ to be inaugurated in 2012

Electricity Coverage:

500/ medium and satellite towns/ in 2001/

3550/medium and satellite towns/in 2009/

Telephone:

1 Million main lines/2009/

7 Million/ Mobile/2009/

Roads:

33,000 kms. All-weather and asphalted /2001/

60,000 kms. All-weather and asphalted /2009/

International Airports:

Addis Ababa, Aksum, Assossa, Bahir-dar, Debrezeit, Diredawa, Gambela, Jigjiga, Jimma, Lalibela & Makelle

Awassa, ,Combolcha, Goba & Mizan-Tepi/under construction/

Elementary Education Coverage:

60% /2001/

97%/2009/

High School Coverage:

29% / 2001

65%/2009/

Universities:

2—Universities/1992/

8—Universities/2001/

21—Universities/2009/

11—Universities currently under construction.

Additional Facts

Ethiopia:

-----Fastest growing Economy in Africa:

----One of the five fastest growing Economies in the world, and Second to China as the fastest growing none-oil economies of the world.

___ Recently Surpassed Kenya and became the largest economy of East Africa.

---- The Chief negotiator and leader of the world Climate Summit along with the UK.

