Khat use is linked to Intimate Partner Violence

"... as the man chews the khat he hallucinates... once he reaches the woman, if she returns any word, he beats.” (IDI, male refugee, 45 years)

Displacement-related factors

Increased poverty, stress, loss of livelihoods ==> increased khat use

1. Direct mechanism
   Khat use leads to anger, physical aggression, physical IPV

2. Direct mechanism
   Khat use leads to increased sexual desire and sexual IPV

3. Indirect mechanism
   Increased tensions in family due to money spent on khat

LOCATION:
Dollo Ado Refugee Camps, Ethiopia

TIMELINE:
2016-2018

PARTNERS:
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METHODS:
30 IDIs
10 FGDs

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