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### **URBAN PROFILE OF LEMI TOWN**



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# **1. INTRODUCTION**

Urban Profile is a single document that captures all information's about cities/towns from different data sources i.e. primary and secondary data sources.

An urban profile offer a detailed snapshot of the conditions of an urban area to provide a set of information and plans that officials as well as NGOs and other stakeholders can use to make sustainable urban planning decisions. This mapped information can range from demographics data to mobility and infrastructure to environmental studies. And while urban profiling does extensive context analysis, it actually goes one step further by making policy recommendations.

Urban profiling is an effective way of developing a shared understanding of the urban environments across different sectors and key indicators many of which are represented within demographical, economical, municipal, infrastructural development and basic social services like education, health.

It is prepared by FDRE Ministry of Urban and Infrastructure. Ministry of urban and infrastructure is a federal organization which has its own duties based on proclamation number 1263/2021 “undertaking studies relating to urbanization, in coordination with other relevant bodies establish system for integrated urban development & preparation of national spatial plan; follow up implementation of same” is among the duties specified for the ministry office.

In this regards, the desk prepared this Lemi town urban Profile document based on the structural plan report of the town and the Ethiopian Statistical Service data. Lemi town is found in the, Ensaro wereda , Amhara national Regional State.

## **2. ORIGIN AND FOUNDATION OF THE TOWN**

- During the reign of Emperor Haile Selassie, during the invasion of Ethiopia led by a Taliban leader named Talunti, in 1928, the city was turned into a small camp for the Ethiopian army, which was used as a fortress for the Ethiopian army.
- when the Ethiopian army led by Leje Seyum Gebrehiwot was struggling with the fierce fighting, the Ethiopian army found a suitable place for military strategy and in 1929, it was converted into a city on the Kebella Center.

- The city was founded by the Ethiopian army as a military strategy and remained as a city until 1933, when the Ethiopian army left our country.

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### **3. PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE TOWN**

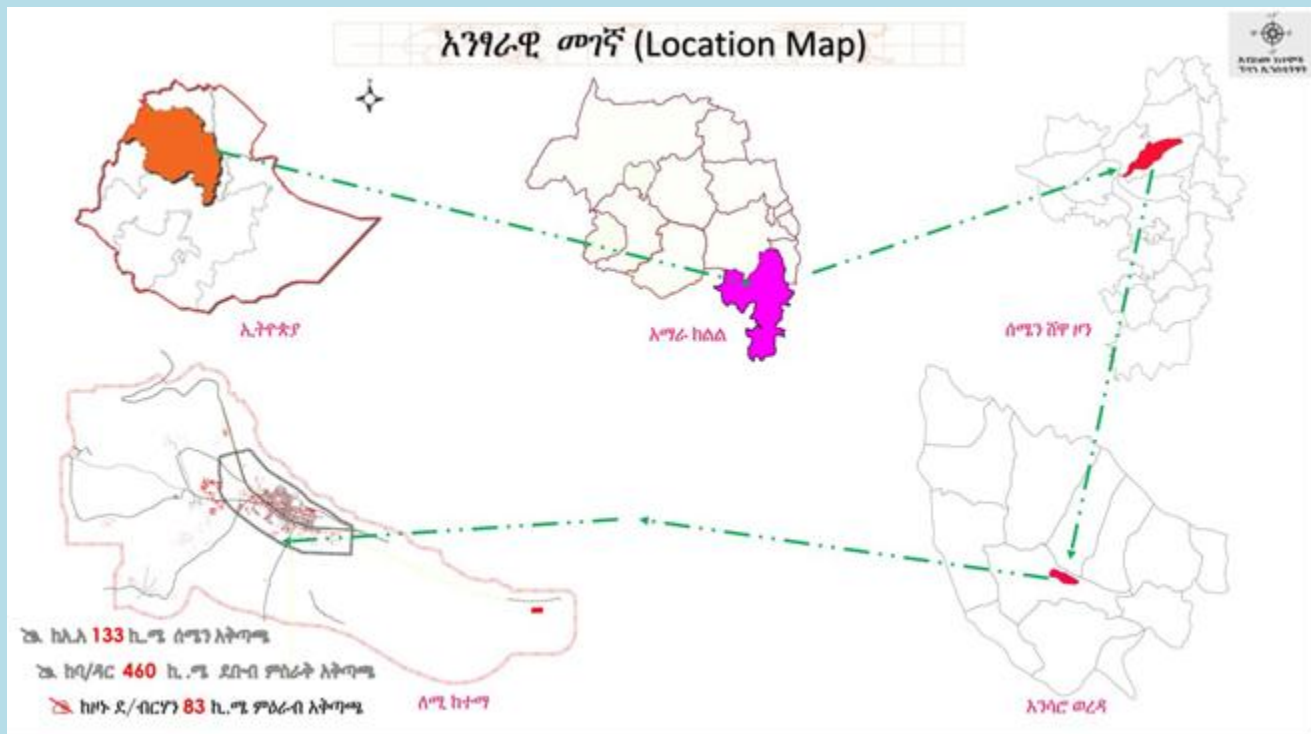
#### **1.1 Administrative Structure**

- Name of the Town: Lemi Town
- Region: Amhara Region
- Woreda: Ensaro Wereda
- Hierarchy of the city/town: Lead( Meri)Municipality
- Administrative function: Town Administration
- no. of Kebeles: 1Kebelle
- Area of City/town: 2889.71 Ha

#### **1.2 Location**

- Latitude: 10°00'
- Longitude: 37°01'
- Distance from Regional Center (km): 460 Km
- Distance from Addis Ababa (km): 127 Km

## Location map of Lemi town



### 1.3 Topography

- The altitude of the town (above sea level): 1500-2300m
- Dominant topography (Slope) of the town - 90% Plain Land
- Dominant Soil type of the town : Red and Black Soil
- Shape of the city town: Elongated shape

### 1.4 Climate

- The agro- ecology of the town:
- The annual temperature range of the town : 12°C -15°C
- The annual rainfall range (in mm): 2000-2700mm
- The prevailing /dominant/ wind direction: East to West

### 1.5 Principal Constraints for the physical expansion of the Town

- Natural: Ensaro Cave to North direction
- Man Made: No constraints

## 2. DEMOGRAPHY

### 4.1 Population size of Lemi town

Table 4.1 Population size of Lemi town

Number of Population		Percent
Male	3,616	48.57%
Female	3,828	51.42%
Total	7,444	100%

Source:-Ethiopian Statistical Service 2023G.c

### 4.2 Population Age Composition

Table 4:2 Lemi town population age compositions

Broad Age Group	Age Group Population by %
0-14	40.1%
15-64	55.7%
65 <sup>+</sup>	4.2%

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C

### 4.3. Ethnic Composition

Table 4.3 Ethnic composition

S/N	List of Ethnic group	Percent (%)
1	Amhara	99.9%

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C

### 4.4 Religious Composition

Table 4:4 Religious compositions

S.N	Religious composition	population size in %
1	Orthodox	99.93%
2	Others	0.07%

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C

### 3. BASIC SOCIAL SERVICES

#### 3.1 Education Services

Table 5.1: Number and Types of schools

No.	School level	Number of Schools				Remarks
		Government	Private	NGO (Others)	Total	
1	Kindergarten		1		1	
2	Primary	3			2	
3	Junior Secondary School	2			2	
4	Senior Secondary & Preparatory					
5	TVET	1			1	
	Total	5			6	

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C

#### 3.2 Teacher, Student and Classroom ratio

Table: 5.2 Teacher to student ratio, Teachers by Qualifications

School Level	Enrolment rate		Student /Teach. Ratio	Student/ Class Ratio	School-Age population ratio	dropout rate	repetition rate	Special need facilities	Qualification of Teachers (No.)				
	Gross	Net							Certificate	Diploma	Degree	Masters	Ph.D. and Above
Kindergarten	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Primary	-	-	1:25	1:42	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Junior Secondary School	-	-	1:14	1:40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Senior Secondary & Preparatory	-	-	1:33	1:40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TVET	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total			1:24	1:41									

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C

#### 5.3 Health Services

##### 5.3.1 Ownership of Health Institution

Table 5.3 Type of Health Institution by Number and Ownership

No.	Type of Health Institutions	No. of Health Institution			
		Government	Private	NGO/ Other	Total
1	Health Center	1	-	-	1
2	Health Post	1	-	-	1
3	Clinic	-	-	-	-
4	Pharmacy	-	Available	-	-
Total		2	-	-	2

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C

### 5.3.2 Ratios of Health Professionals and Population.

Table 5.4: Health Professionals of Lemi Town

No	Professional Title	Number of professionals	Ratio of Health Professionals to population
1	Doctors	2	
2	Health officer	2	
3	Nurses	13	
4	Druggist (pharmacy)	3	
5	Lab. Technician	2	
6	X -ray	-	
7	Health Assistant	-	
8	Others	18	
Total		40	

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C

## 5.4 Housing Issues

Table 5.5: Housing Issues

Year	Total number of Houses	Backlog
2014	6,703	7,249

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014E.C

## 5.5 Worships and Cemetery services

Table 5:6 Worships and Cemetery Services



S.N	Religious composition	number of worship places	number of Cemetery
1	Orthodox	5	4
2	Protestant	1	-

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C



## 6. MUNICIPAL SERVICES

**Table 6.1 Municipal Services**

Available municipal services (in number)	Market (in number)	Urban greenery	Recreational facilities
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## 8. ECONOMIC CONDITION

### 8.1 Major economy Activities (Enterprises) of the town

Table 8.1 Major economic/business Activities establishments

No.	Types of Service/Trade	Total number found in the town
1	Hotel	2
2	Restaurant	40
3	Grain Storage	70
4	Grinding mill house	8
5	Production of household and office furniture	9
6	Tea House	25
7	Garage	2
8	Shop	6
	Total	162

### 8.2 Investment condition in the town

Table 8.2: Types of Investment in 2014 E.C

S.N	Types of Investment (Sector)	number	Capitals of the investment (in Birr)	Employed		
				Male	Female	Total
1	Lemi National Cement factory	-	-	-	-	-
2	Others	-	-	-	-	-
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Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C

### 8.3 Financial Institutions

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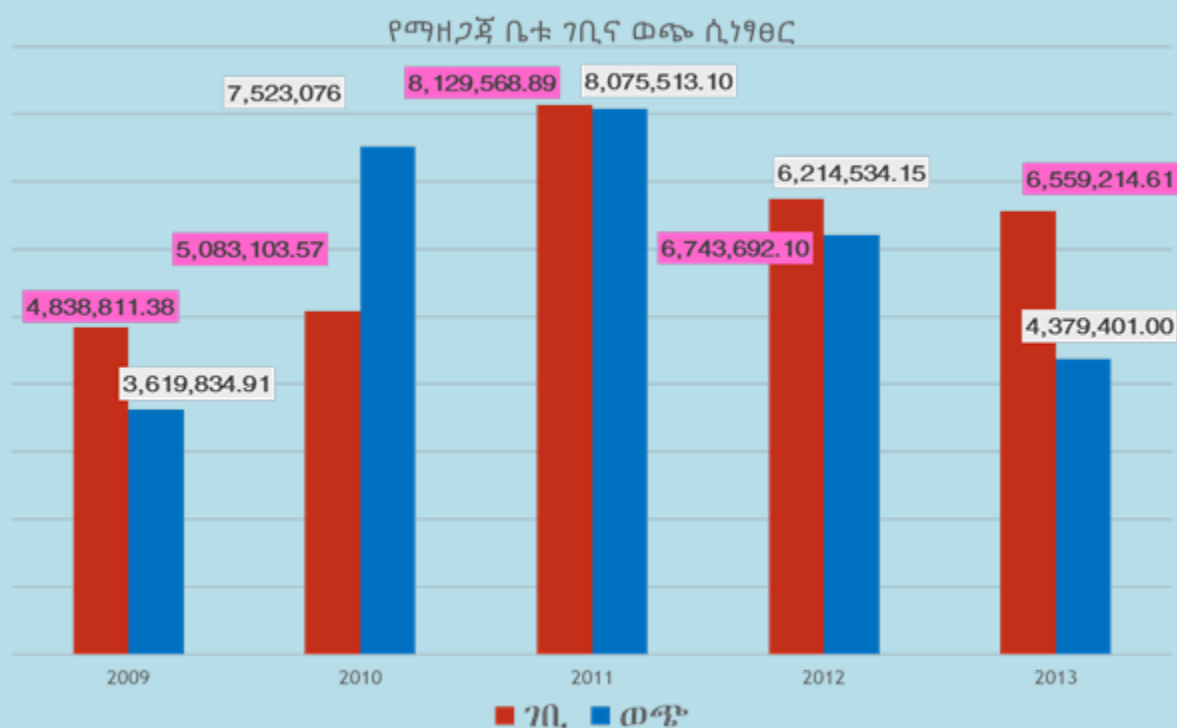
S. no.	Financial institutions	Government institutions (in No.)	Private institutions (in No.)	Total (in No.)
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1	Banks	1	4	5
2	Micro finance institutions		1	1
3	Insurance companies	-	-	6

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C

### 8.3 Municipal Finance /Annual income/

Table 8.4 Situation of the Municipal finance (2009-2013)



Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C

### 8.4 Economic Linkage

Table 8.5 Origin and destination of goods and services in 2014 E.C

S.no	Types of goods and services	Origin	Destination	Remark
1	Agricultural Inputs	Gosh weha,salaysh,kebelbelit,weko, Diremu	Lemi Town	

2	Manufacturing and commercial products	-	-	
3	Grain products	Gosh weha,salaysh,kebelbelit,weko, Diremu	Lemi Town	
4	Livestock supply	Lemi	Merabete,Moret ,Giru,saya debre	
5	Natural Resources(fuel wood, charcoal)	-	-	
6	Construction materials	Addis Ababa	Lemi Town	
7	Labor	-	-	
8	Financial facilities	-	-	
9	others			

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C

## 8.5 Development Potentials for Investment in the Town

- Lemi city is the geographical center of many regions in the region, its proximity to Addis Ababa, which is a source of many mineral deposits that can serve as raw materials for various factories
- Many of the farms are highly productive and can produce products that can be used as inputs for various agro-processing industries. Various types of vegetables and fruits such as teff, sandalwood, barley, sorghum, and millet, are produced.
- Using these inputs, it is possible to expand and invest in agro-processing industries that produce and process vegetables and fruits, produce pasta and macaroni, and process edible oils.
- The area has the potential to grow a variety of crops and livestock, establishing industries that can grow crops and livestock and use these agricultural products as inputs would demonstrate the potential for greater utilization of the area and its resources.
- In the agricultural sector, cattle breeding, animal husbandry, dairy products and derivatives, cotton and cotton products,
- Wood and steel factories

- Agricultural product processing industries that use agricultural inputs in the industrial and manufacturing sectors
- Since the town accommodates a large number of vehicles and is a parking and transportation facility for many vehicles, investors will have a wide market opportunity if they engage in power (fuel supply).
- In social sectors such as education and health, the city is a research center with a large population, so it is expected that there will be a large market for the resources that are engaged in the sector.
- Also possible to do work by fattening sheep, goats and dairy cattle in large numbers, it can be effective.

## 9. INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

## 9.1 Road and Transport

### Table 9.1 Road and Transportation system

Road					Transport							Transport terminals					
Numb er of outlet or inlet roads	Coverage of Gravel road:(km)	Coverage of Cobblestone (km)	Coverage of Earthen pressed (km)	Coverage of Asphalt surfaced (km)	Intra-urban mode of Transport					Inter-urban mode of transport							
					Number of City Bus	Number of Taxis	Number of Motor Cycles	Number of Horse drawn carts	Number of Bicycles	Bus	Railway	Airway					
2	25	0.81	19.6	4.3						205			1				

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C



## 9.2. Telephone, Postal and Electric Power service

Table 9.2 Telephone, Postal and Electric Power service

Telephone services			Postal Service			Electric Power Services			
Type	Number of customers	Coverage (%)	Type	Number of postal boxes	Coverage (%)	Connection Type/ Tariff Category	Number of Customer (Number of meter connection)	Per capital consumption (Total Consumption of the Town)	Coverage (%)
Mobile services		-				Domestic			
						Commercial			
						Industry			
Available			Available			Available			

Source: - Lemi Structural plan document 2014 E.C



### 9.3 Water Coverage

Table 9.3 Water Services in recent year 2014 E.C.

Water Services						
Source of water (underground or under surface)	Customer Type /Type of connection/	Number of Public taps	Average annual production(m³)	Average annual consumption	Estimated demand:	Coverage (%)
	Commercial					
	Residential					
	NGO /others					
Available						

Source: - Tilili Structural plan document 2013E.C

## 10.CULTURE AND TOURISM

### 10.1 Cultural Center:

- Among the attractions are the famous Jesus Monastery, the swimming pool and the temple where the Burqa was found
- The Werencheffa Seka Medhani Alam Gedim, the site of the ancient holy places and the ruins of Bethlehem in the cave where the ancient church was located,
- The Ger Slis Gedim, where the fathers buried various books and materials during the invasion of the Righteous Mohammed and stayed for several times, and then disappeared, where the river changed its direction and flowed uphill, revealing the relics and where the relics were found
- The location of the rare bird Sorene Kok, which is found only in Ethiopia
- The beautiful and amazing Bedel building(በዴለ ህንጻ ገጥሌ) which looks like it was carved by a carpenter Its location, the presence of ancient skeletons in the Gezi Cave,
- The attractive and pleasant landscapes of the area are all reasons for its popularity.



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