

Ethiopia's Green Legacy Initiative — Mass National Tree-Planting Campaign

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Quality score: 20/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

Ethiopia's Green Legacy claims 40bn+ seedlings planted since 2019, incl. a single-day record of 350 million trees. Independent analysts say survival is unverified — a 2025 district satellite study found only 40% survival vs official claims of 79–85%.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	1/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	1/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	0/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	1/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-02

[Ethiopian Ministry of Agriculture / Prime Minister's Office \(Green Legacy Initiative Secretariat\)](#) — accessed 2026-08-02

[Groundtruth — Ethiopia's 50 Billion Tree Plan: Hype or Reality?](#) — accessed 2026-08-02

[Dialogue Earth — Ethiopia's tree-planting scheme needs better coordination](#) — accessed 2026-08-02

[Springer / Discover Environment — Evaluating the impact of Ethiopia's Green Legacy Initiative in Gubalafto district](#) — accessed 2026-08-02

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