**SSA: Open Defecation**

This is SSA map 3 entitled “Sub-Saharan Africa: Open Defecation” The data for this map is from 2020. The scale of this map is 1 to 30,000,000. The scale bar represents 600 kilometers and can be found above the top left corner of the map frame.

This map shows the level of open defecation being practiced in the Sub-Saharan Africa region. The region is outlined by a solid line and the areas with different levels of open defecation are distinguished by a distinct color and texture fill. The corresponding colors and textures representing each level of local participation in this map can be found in the accompanying legend, SSA Legend 3.

The following map illustrates the prevalence of open defecation across the Sub-Saharan Africa region. High levels signify that over 75% of the population practices open defecation, moderate levels indicate a practice rate between 50 to 75%, and low levels suggest less than 50% of the population engages in this practice.

Across Sub-Saharan Africa, the prevalence of open defecation varies significantly. Large sections of the northwest, central, and southeast regions exhibit low levels of open defecation. Conversely, both northern and southern areas in the region, including Madagascar to the southeast of the mainland, experience high levels of open defecation. Moderate levels of open defecation characterize the remaining parts of the region.