

**Italian Forces at Keren  
7 February 1941**

Zelale Sector Colonel Prina

52nd Colonial Battalion (11th Brigade)  
9th Colonial Battalion (2nd Brigade)  
1 Battery, 81mm mortars

Sanchil Sector: Colonel Corsi

2nd Grenadier Battalion  
"Tipo" Colonial Battalion  
51st Colonial Battalion  
97th Colonial Battalion  
3rd Bersaglieri Battalion  
104th Artillery Group  
10th AT Battery, 5th Artillery Group & 4 miscellaneous  
AT guns

Mount Amba Sector: Colonel Oliveti

56th Colonial Battalion (11th Brigade)  
63rd Colonial Battalion (11th Brigade)  
106th Colonial Battalion (5th Brigade)  
2nd Artillery Group  
1st Battalion, Savoia Grenadiers

Garrison Commanders Reserve:

10th Colonial Battalion  
4th "Toselli" Colonial Battalion

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