

WORLD VISION ETHIOPIA HUNGER RESPONSE SITUATION REPORT NO.4

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SITUATION HIGHLIGHTS

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- The persistent drought in the lowland areas of Ethiopia has increased the vulnerability of the population prompting the government to revise the number of people requiring emergency food aid from 5.6 million to 7.7 million.
- The Government of Ethiopia has declared an outbreak of Acute Watery Diarrhoea (AWD) in Somali region and fears it could spread to other drought affected regions. The Ministry of Health has called for increased engagement of humanitarian partners to stem the situation.
- Infestation of crops by armyworms has been reported with significant damage to crops in southern Ethiopia. The Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources reports that nearly 10,700 hectares of farmland in Oromia and SNNP regions have been damaged.
- Limited funding is hampering World Vision Ethiopia's response capacity at a time when the food security situation is deteriorating and incidences of disease outbreaks are increasing in several drought affected areas of the country.
- World Vision has so far received 59% of the 21 million US dollars requested for hunger crisis. Further funding is required to continue meeting the needs of 716,000 people targeted for humanitarian assistance.

HUMANITARIAN SITUATION OVERVIEW

- Below average rainfall performance in March has slowed down the season planting in Oromia, SNNP and parts of Amhara region. Out of over one million hectares of land earmarked for planting, about 79 per cent is cultivated and only 21 per cent is planted. Given the late start and the overall poor performance of the rains so far, the crops are currently at the vegetative growth stage yet they should have been at the flowering stage.
- Fall armyworms have infested plantations and damaged crops across southern Ethiopia. The Ministry of Agriculture and Natural Resources indicated that the pests have so far damaged 10,700 hectares of crop in Oromia and SNNP regions.



2.7 million
under 5 and pregnant
and lactating women
projected MAM cases

0.3 million
projected SAM cases



4.37 million
people will require
health assistance



9.1 million
people will require
WASH support



7.7 million
people will need
emergency food assistance

1.9 million
households will need
livestock support
generate

0.5 million
households will
need seed support



0.59 million
people will be targeted
for protection assistance

*All financial figures in US dollars

35,000 litres of chemicals have been purchased and distributed to spray the affected areas. The districts affected include Maji, Kaffa, Sheka, South Omo, Gamo Gofa, and Wolaita.

- Communities in drought-hit areas remain susceptible to major diseases such as AWD, measles, scabies and malaria. AWD outbreak has been declared in Somali region. An increase in the number of Acute Watery Diarrhea (AWD) cases is reported daily in the Somali region. The risk of morbidity and mortality is highest amongst vulnerable and malnourished children. The Federal Ministry of Health has deployed 1,000 health professionals drawn from the Ministry and other regions to support the Somali Regional Government.

WHAT WORLD VISION IS DOING



HEALTH & NUTRITION

- Health centres managing AWD cases have been supported with medical supplies in Goro district. The sick, mostly children, have received treatment. Community sensitization and awareness raising activities on how to avoid AWD are also in progress in coordination with the district health office.
- Nine stabilization centres and 48 outpatient therapeutic sites were supported with routine medicine in South Ari District, and health workers were trained on Infant and Young Child Feeding as well as Moderate Acute Malnutrition management.



WASH

- About 9,600 people affected by AWD in Somali Region are benefitting from Kohler Water filter materials. More materials are under shipment from US to Ethiopia. World Vision is due to sign a memorandum of understanding with the Finance and Economic Development Bureau of Somali Regional State, to facilitate the response.
- The planned construction of distribution water points at Tokuma Bilisuma is expected to benefit 17,000 people.



FOOD PROGRAMING AND LIVELIHOODS

- World Vision has distributed livestock veterinary drugs and supplies to vet clinics in the worst affected areas to prevent and control the spread livestock diseases.
- In Dollo Ado district, improved cereals seed, vegetable seed and forage seed were distributed to the drought affected households ahead of the expected rains.
- Over 328,520 people benefited from the livelihood support projects.



EDUCATION & PROTECTION

- Children sponsored by World Vision in Amoro who are affected by the current drought benefitted from the government school feeding program supported by World Vision.

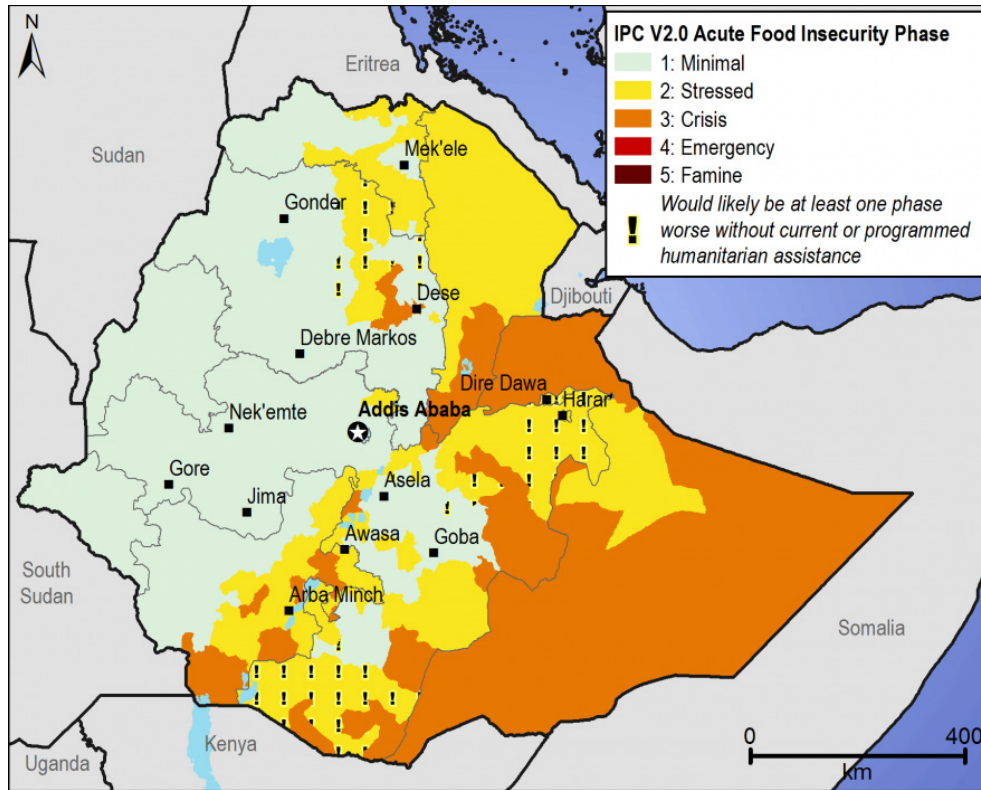


FOOD ASSISTANCE

- The Joint Emergency Operation Program is providing emergency general food assistance in two districts of Oromia region and 10 districts of SNNPR for people rendered vulnerable as a result of failed meher harvesting (2017 HRD)
- About 34,000 people have received their monthly ration.



FOOD SECURITY STATUS IN ETHIOPIA



RESPONSE HIGHLIGHTS



\$ 21M

requested for humanitarian assistance



328,520

people reached with food security and livelihood support

112,970

people reached with food assistance



30,750

people reached with water, sanitation and hygiene support



77,530

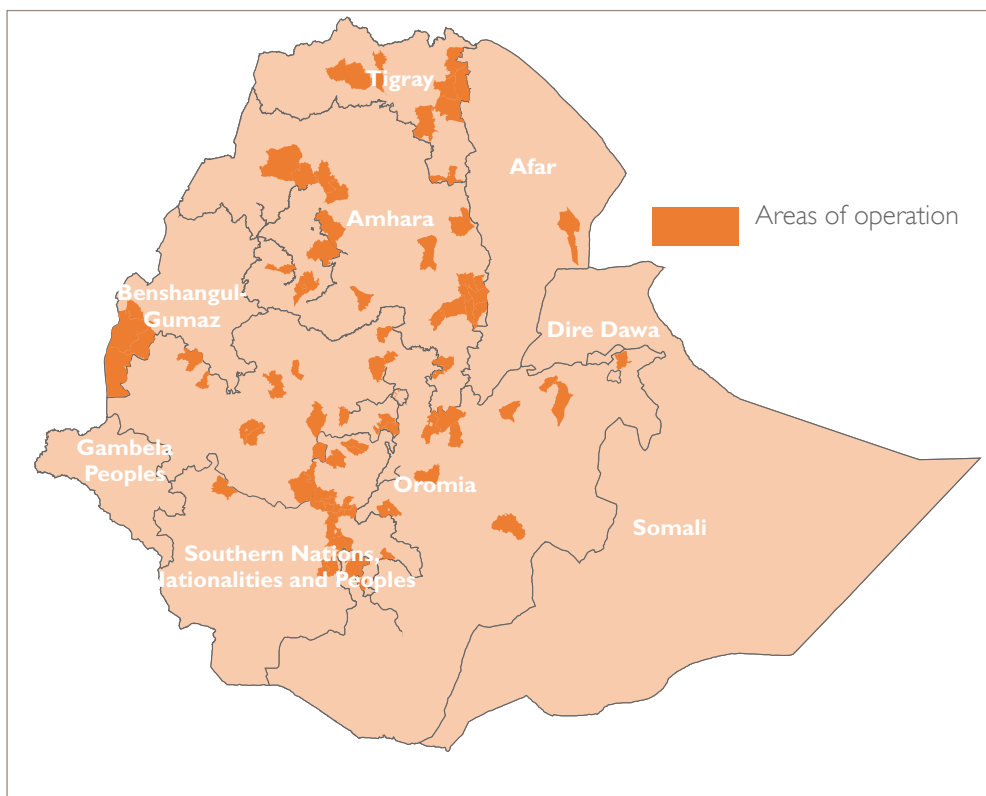
people reached with health and nutrition support



17,090

children reached with child protection and education interventions

WORLD VISION AREAS OF OPERATION



GAP AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS (in millions US\$)

\$21M requested for hunger crisis response



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