

WORLD VISION EAST AFRICA HUNGER RESPONSE SITUATION REPORT NO.14

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SITUATION OVERVIEW



25 million

people in need of humanitarian and protection services



15 million

children in need of humanitarian assistance



23 million

people in need of water, sanitation and hygiene services



5.5 million

children under-5 projected to need nutrition support



6.6 Million+

people displaced due to conflict and drought



7.1 Million

children require education support



19.9 Million

people require health support

KEY MESSAGES

- **Millions of people are at increased risk of famine or catastrophe in South Sudan, Somalia and Ethiopia going into 2018.** In November, FEWSnet, an international early warning system, stated that South Sudan, Somalia and Ethiopia could be looking at famine or catastrophic levels of food insecurity in various parts of their countries in the new year due to climate change, conflict and political instability.
- **Children will be the worst hit, with their health and development drastically impacted.** Already, too many children are going hungry. More than 15 million children in Ethiopia, Kenya, South Sudan and Somalia are struggling to have enough to eat. 6.9 million children in Ethiopia, Kenya, South Sudan and Somalia are projected to be malnourished by the end of the year. Already, more than 1 million children under age 5 are expected to be severely malnourished and at risk of death by the end of 2017 without urgent action.
- **Increased hunger will drive ever younger girls into early marriage, and force children out of school, into child labour and into other dangerous ways of surviving.**
- **Children are on the move.** The hunger crisis is exacerbated by drought, conflict and political instability and is forcing people to flee areas affected by conflict, where children are at risk of violence, exploitation and abuse. 4 million people in South Sudan have been displaced, both as refugees and internally. In Somalia, 1.9 million have been displaced, both as refugees and within the country; in Ethiopia, more than 1 million have been displaced internally.
- **Large-scale, long-term lifesaving assistance is needed to avoid spikes in malnutrition and death.** World Vision is appealing for an additional \$49 million to increase its response across South Sudan, Somalia, Ethiopia and Kenya.

HUMANITARIAN SITUATION OVERVIEW

- **Ethiopia:** The International Organization for Migration (IOM) identified 1.32 million Internally Displaced People (IDPs); 528,939 due to natural disaster and 731,001 due to internal conflict. This figure has more than doubled since 2016. Meanwhile, the number of refugees arriving from neighbouring countries such as Eritrea, Somalia, and, especially, South Sudan is constantly increasing. Additionally, more than 14,000 undocumented Ethiopian migrants residing in Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) have returned to Ethiopia.
- **South Sudan:** While the overall number of individuals facing severe food insecurity has reduced, many are still facing extreme vulnerability. According to a November report by global body measuring food insecurity, the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC), 4.8 million people in South Sudan are experiencing IPC phases 3 (crisis), 4 (emergency), and 5 (catastrophe) – the highest ever recorded year on year, and represent the greatest proportion of South Sudanese to ever experience such levels of hunger and malnutrition.
- **Somalia:** The humanitarian situation in Somalia is likely to worsen with a fourth consecutive season of failed rains observed, raising the risk of famine (IPC 5) for the 6.2 million people already threatened. Sustaining the large scale assistance while looking at long term solution is needed to prevent loss of lives.
- **Kenya:** The vegetation condition, water availability and access to water improved in most ASAL counties in Kenya. Food production indicators in a number of counties have almost returned to normal. Water sources are within seasonal norms and distances to water points for both households and livestock are close to seasonal norms. Milk production and livestock prices are also improving. However, full recovery from the effects of the previous drought have not yet been fully realized. Several counties are still experiencing dry weather conditions, particularly, Isiolo, Garissa, Kajiado and Tana River which are classified in the alarm phase.

WHAT WORLD VISION IS DOING

Ethiopia



802K
people reached with livelihood
and food assistance



34K
people reached with health & nutrition services



18K
people reached with protection and
education services



396K
people reached with WASH services

Kenya



300K
people reached with livelihood
and food assistance



137K
people reached with nutrition services



21K
people reached with protection and
education services



57K
people reached with WASH services

Somalia



537K
people reached with livelihood
and food assistance



426K
people reached with health
and nutrition services



458K
people reached with WASH services



12K
people reached with protection and
education services

South Sudan



822K
people reached with livelihood
and food assistance



1.3M
people reached with health
and nutrition services



91K
people reached with education and
protection services



384K
people reached with WASH services

RESPONSE HIGHLIGHTS

People reached in 2017



2.4 Million

people reached with food security and livelihood support



2 Million

people reached with health and nutrition support



1.2 Million

people reached with water, sanitation and hygiene support



210,000

people reached with non-food items



145,000

children reached with child protection and education activities

GAPS AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS (in US\$)

Ethiopia: 37M response plan



Kenya: 40M response plan



South Sudan: 48M response plan



Somalia: 37M response plan



Legend: ■ Funding received (US\$) ■ Funding gap (US\$)

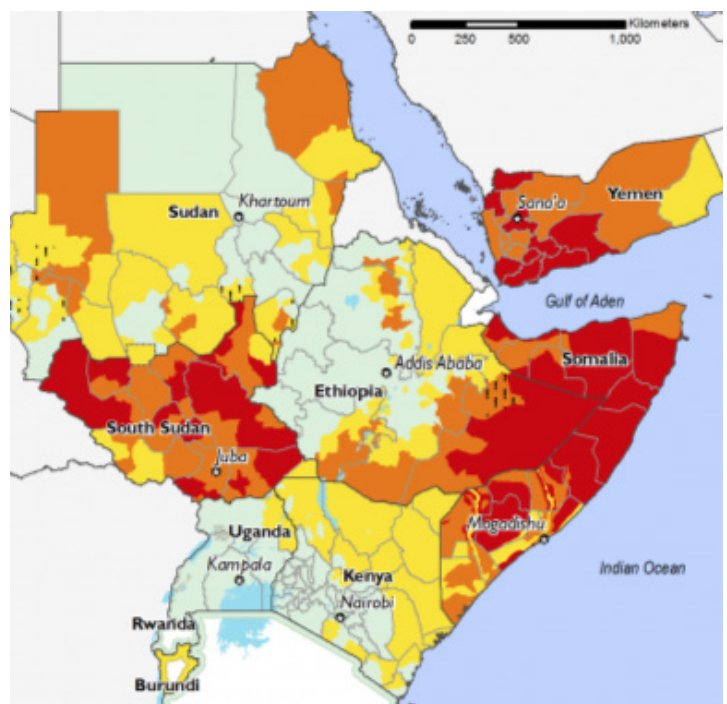
East Africa hunger crisis total funding requested



163 Million

Total response plan budget (US\$)

FEWS-NET PREDICTED FOOD SECURITY OUTLOOK FEBRUARY - MAY 2018



IPC 2.0 Acute Food Insecurity Phase

1: Minimal 2: Stressed 3: Crisis 4: Emergency 5: Famine

! Would likely be at least one phase worse without current or programmed humanitarian assistance

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