**Key messages**

- **Internally Displaced Persons:** Renewed inter-communal violence in Ethiopia’s Oromia and Southern Nations, Nationalities, and Peoples (SNNP) regions has displaced nearly a million people since June 2018. The IDPs are currently sheltering in open halls of public institutions such as schools, vocational centres, and others dispersed among host communities near the border between Oromia and Somali regions. More than half of the IDPs are children and are suffering from malnutrition and other communicable illnesses.

- **Flood alert:** Nearly 2.5 million people are at risk of flooding as average to above-average kiremt (June-to-September) rains could result in flooding in the low-lying areas of Ethiopia, the UN warns. On July 7, the government and humanitarian partners released the national flood contingency plan for the kiremt season that maps out flood-prone areas, identifies mitigation and early warning actions to reduce the humanitarian impact, and priority response activities to be carried out by relevant sectors in the event of flooding.

- **Food insecurity in Amhara:** The preliminary report for 2018 Food Security and Agriculture Assessment shows that the belg (February to May) rains were between normal to below normal in most parts of Amhara region. Leading to depressed harvests and the deterioration of livestock herds. The worst hit areas were in Delanta (South Wollo zone), Angot, Gazo Belay and Wadla (North Wollo zone) woredas.

- **Improved food security expected in Somali Region:** Consecutive above-average rains in the Somali region could contribute to improved food security conditions, particularly among pastoralists communities.

**Gedeo - West Guji Zones**

**July 2018**

**Humanitarian needs**

- 7.88 million people in need of humanitarian assistance
- 3.5 million children in need of humanitarian assistance
- 1.74 million people displaced as a result of drought and conflict
- 6.9 million people in need of water, sanitation and hygiene assistance
- 3.8 million children are in need of nutrition assistance
- 2.5 million children are in need of shelter and non-food items

**Gaps and needs**

- Funding is insufficient in critical sectors such as education, protection and health. World Vision hopes to secure more funding to meet the huge needs of the conflict-affected IDPs.

- World Vision is seeking funds to provide critical health services for IDPs affected in Gedio and West Guji.

- Low harvests and the deteriorating conditions of livestock in food insecure regions such as Amhara is threatening the food and nutritional status of children and their families necessitating urgent support to mitigate further harm.

**Funding needs**

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*All financial figures in US$
Response highlights

**WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE**

- **Purchase of WASH NFIs for IDPs**: 7,000 IDPs in Gelana (Oromia region) are receiving water treatment tabs, hygiene and sanitation kits. The kits include jerricans, buckets, bath and laundry soaps.
- **Sanitation and hygiene promotion training**: 2,900 IDPs and host community members (1,421 female) received training on hygiene promotion in Bule Hora (West Guji).

**FOOD ASSISTANCE**

- **Food distribution**: 320,477 food insecure people in 11 woredas received food assistance. In total, World Vision distributed 5,432 metric tons of food through the Joint Emergency Operation Programme (JEOP).
- **Registered Children (RCs) receiving assistance**: 4,675 drought-affected RCs received food assistance and medical services through the support of the Government of Ethiopia, the World Food Program and World Vision.

**RESPONDING TO IDPs**

- **Food distribution**: World Vision has distributed 1,618 metric tons of food consisting of wheat flour, pulses and vegetable oil to 21,151 beneficiaries in Gedeo.
- **NFI Kits distribution**: Distributed non-food items that included sleeping items, kitchen kits, shelter kits, and hygiene kits to 2,500 IDP households in West Guji.

**EDUCATION**

- **Technical assessment conducted**: World Vision conducted technical assessment to address the education needs of IDPs across four woredas in both Gedeo and West Guji.

**NUTRITION**

- **Trainings**: World Vision trained 186 Health Extension Workers supporting emergency nutrition interventions in Kochera, Melka Bello, Habro and South Ari nutrition centres in Oromia and SNNP regions. Training was on Community Management of Acute Malnutrition (CMAM) and Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF).
- **Targeted feeding**: World Vision treated and managed 2,897 cases of Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) and 3,288 cases of Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) among children under five years. 3,190 Pregnant and Lactating Women with MAM cases were also treated and managed. They were also provided with feeding through the Targeted Supplementary Feeding Programme (TSFP).
**Response locations**

- Tigray
- Amhara
- Oromia
- SNNP
- Somali
- Benishangul-Gumuz
- Afar
- Harer
- Gambela
- Dire Dawa
- Red Sea

**Monthly achievements**

- **JULY**
  - People reached: 427,145
  - Children reached: 203,014

- **JUN**
  - People reached: 139,105
  - Children reached: 35,480

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