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Key messages

- **People in need**: According to Kenya Food Security meeting, 2.55 million people still require immediate food assistance from March to August 2018. This includes 2.35 million people who are in crisis and emergency drought classification, and 200,000 people who are in stress drought classification and require immediate food assistance.

- **Nutrition concerns**: The overall nutrition situation in the country has improved according to analysis conducted in February 2018. An estimate of 399,820 children are in need of treatment for acute malnutrition. This is in addition to 37,160 pregnant and lactating women who also require treatment for malnutrition.

- **Poorly distributed rainfall**: Kenya’s National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) reports indicate that the 2017 short rains (October-December) were characterized by late onset, poor distribution, and early cession in most of the 23 ASAL counties.

- **Families facing food insecurity**: FEWSNET predicts that household purchasing power is likely to be constrained by low incomes and are likely to receive below average rains in March to May season. Ten counties have been categorised by the NDMA to be in critical stage, with six remaining in the alarm phase (IPC Phase 3) and four in alert stage (IPC Phase 2). There is general agreement between government and humanitarian actors, that these counties require support for the next six months, which coincides with the long rains season of 2018.

Food insecurity

February-May 2018

Gaps and needs

- In 2017, the key sector of intervention included: education and protection, Food security and livelihood, health and nutrition, access to water sanitation and hygiene, but they were not fully funded. They remain the main sectors in the year 2018 and thus more funds and capacity building required.

Humanitarian needs

- **1.8 million** children need of assistance
- **2.55 million** people are food insecure
- **489,239** people displaced
- **399,820** children are in need of nutrition
- **692,700** people in need of water, sanitation and hygiene assistance
- **692,700** people in need of nutrition

Funding needs

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<td>Food security &amp; livelihoods</td>
<td>12.5M (46%)</td>
<td>14.2M (54%)</td>
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<td>Nutrition</td>
<td>5.4 M (79%)</td>
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<td>Shelter &amp; NFI</td>
<td>12,752 (100%)</td>
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<td>Water, sanitation &amp; hygiene</td>
<td>2.7 M (64%)</td>
<td>1.5 M (36%)</td>
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<td>Child protection and education</td>
<td>181,082 (9%)</td>
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*All financial figures in US$
Response highlights

WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE

- **Water purification:** 25,200 households assisted to access quality water through the P&G emergency drought response grant.

- **Water committee training:** In Taita Taveta, the capacity of 41 water users and their respective committees were strengthened on effective management and alignment with statutory law.

- **Hygiene Promotion:** 300 girls reached, with menstrual hygiene promotion messages and each girl received packs of sanitary pads. Distribution of water purifiers was done to 1,000 families with malnourished children and cholera stricken households.

- **Water trucking:** In Laisamis Water trucking was done reaching people in 5 schools and 5 community water points.

- **Boreholes:** 12 boreholes in Marsabit and West Pokot has been finalized and immediate results evidenced.

- **Shallow wells:** 3 productive shallow wells were rehabilitated in West Pokot.

FOOD ASSISTANCE

- General food distribution was conducted in Kajiado County and 432 households were reached.

NUTRITION

- **Training:** 77 community health volunteers were sensitised on community based health information systems for correct data entries. Additionally, 29 health care workers were sensitised on health information systems to enhance data entry and commodity management and 30 health care workers were trained on revised integrated management of acute malnutrition guidelines.

- **Screening and treatment referrals:** Through integrated health and nutrition outreaches, 4,615 children aged 6 to 59 months were screened for malnutrition where 73 severely malnourished children (6-59 months) were admitted to the outpatient therapeutic programme and 305 moderately malnourished children (6-59 months) were admitted to supplementary feeding programme for treatment. In addition, 1,385 pregnant and lactating women were screened for malnutrition where 123 malnourished were admitted into treatment.

- **Preventing malnutrition:** Through Turkana and Marsabit Blanket Supplementary Feeding Programme, 42,919 children under five and 7,972 pregnant and lactating women were screened and received assistance like food ration, therapeutic treatment on site, immunisation, deworming and others were referred.

Response achievements

Reporting period February 01-February 28, 2018

- **229,508** people reached with food security and livelihoods
- **45,340** children reached with food security and livelihoods
- **143,450** people reached with health and nutrition services
- **88,681** children reached with health and nutrition services
- **23,741** people reached with education and protection services
- **7,948** children reached with education and protection services
- **140,130** people reached with clean water and sanitation
- **43,124** children reached with clean water and sanitation
- **2,400** people reached with shelter and NFI
- **88,681** children reached with life-saving humanitarian assistance in February 2018
- **229,508** people reached with life-saving humanitarian assistance in February 2018
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Response locations

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WASH

Health & nutrition

Education & protection

Food security & livelihoods

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Local income generated by the Kenyan public