KEY MESSAGES

• Rise in need expected: The government of Kenya estimates the number of people requiring humanitarian assistance will rise to 4 million by end of July 2017. Humanitarian support is needed to assist 3.5 million people including 700,000 children under five years facing starvation due to lack of food and water in Kenya.

• Acute malnutrition rising: 31 percent of children in Turkana are acutely malnourished, as of June 2017, after a region-wide nutrition survey was conducted. Of particular concern is 12 percent increase in the number of children who are severely malnourished, and at risk of death.

• Food security situation worsening: Low annual maize yields were recorded, due to drought conditions and the fall army worm invasion, leading to an increase in food insecurity for families reliant on agriculture. The outlook for the next three months is worrying. Livelihoods are already under significant stress which will only deepen as the dry season unfolds.

• General election: The 2017 General Elections in Kenya, slated for August 8, has resulted in a slowdown in economic activities, since early June. Often, tension between political party rivals rises during political campaigns, and is likely to disrupt typical livelihood activities, particularly for vulnerable communities across various parts of the country. The tension may impede community access to typical food and income sources. Humanitarian operations are often hampered until after the General Elections. In the event of an outbreak of electoral violence, displacement of vulnerable populations and disruption of food commodity flows are likely to exacerbate the fragile national food security situation.

• Drought interventions must be scaled up: Due to rising needs, humanitarian and government responses must increase to protect people from starvation. Currently, more than 200,000 people are benefiting from World Vision’s response activities related to food assistance, nutrition, child protection, education and water and sanitation (WASH) to support families facing the worst effects of drought. World Vision is appealing for an additional $13 million US to scale up the response to meet the needs.

344,000 under 5 children and 43,400 pregnant and lactating women are acutely malnourished

75,010 under 5 children are severely malnourished

2.9 million people in need of health intervention

3 million people need access to safe drinking water

3.5 million people in need of food assistance and livelihood intervention

175,655 people will be targeted for protection interventions

1.2 million children in need of education intervention

*All financial figures in US dollars
HEALTH & NUTRITION

- **Capacity Building**: 108 community health volunteers and 15 national drought management staffed trained on community led total sanitation and on screening for malnourished children in Laisamis, Marsabit County.

- **Supplementary Feeding**: Approximately 3,150 children under age 5 and pregnant and lactating women reached through blanket supplementary feeding program in Laisamis.

WASH

- Borehole inspection with the aid of camera have been done in Wajir and Baringo in preparation for borehole equipping. The project is being implemented in partnership with UNICEF. The help in acquiring information on status of the borehole i.e. yield, depth and any other casing problem which will then advise what needs to be worked on.

FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS

- **Cash assistance**: World Vision, the World Food Programme and the Ministry of Devolution and Special programs targeted 16,165 families in West Pokot with cash programming. Beneficiary registration process is ongoing.

- **24,550** people were reached through cash transfer in Turkana, Wajir, Garbatula, Taita Taveta, Kilifi and West Pokot.

- **World Vision Kenya is still reaching the 2016 food assistance beneficiary caseload of 202,680 through cash and food for asset programs in Kilifi, Taita Taveta, Makueni, Moyale, Baringo and Turkana.**

EDUCATION & PROTECTION

- **School feeding programmes**: 14,189 children from 38 schools benefitted from the school feeding interventions in Mwatate, Taveta and Illaramatak. A total of 30.5 MT of food was distributed.
NUTRITION STATUS IN KENYA

RESPONSE HIGHLIGHTS

- **227,230** people reached with food security and livelihood support
- **32,140** people reached with water, sanitation and hygiene support
- **2,940** people reached with health and nutrition support
- **NFI 2,400** people reached with non food item interventions
- **14,200** children reached with child protection and education interventions

GAPS AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS (in millions US$)

- **$16.6M** requested for assistance
  - Nutrition
  - Peace building and conflict
  - Education
  - WASH
  - Food security and livelihood

GAPS AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS (in millions US$)

- **1.9M**
- **0.64M**
- **0.63M**
- **1.3M**
- **12.1M**
GAP AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

$16.6M requested for hunger crisis response

$3.2M Received

$13.4M Unmet requirements

19% 81%

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