

WORLD VISION SOMALIA HUNGER RESPONSE SITUATION REPORT No. 17

01-31 DECEMBER 2017



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Humanitarian situation:** 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.
- Malnutrition status:** Of the 6.2 million people in need of assistance, 3 million are children. Nutrition is deteriorating with Global Acute Malnutrition rate at 17.4% (above the 15% WHO threshold). The highest malnutrition rates are among Internally Displaced Persons, making the situation in the country critical. More than 1.2 million children are projected to be malnourished, of whom 231,000 are in the IDP settlements. Overall, there are 388,000 acutely malnourished children, including more than 87,000 severely malnourished children and in need of urgent life-saving treatment.
- Massive displacement by drought:** According to UNHCR-led Protection and Return Monitoring Network (PRMN), in 2017 alone over 1.1 million people have been displaced as a result of drought and conflict. A spike in conflict induced displacements was observed in November and December displacing more than 35,000 people.
- Serious access and protection concerns persist:** The spike in armed conflict and active hostilities attributed to military operations and inter-clan conflict has been experienced in parts of Bakool, Galgaduud, Juba, Middle Shabelle, Lower Shabelle, Bari and Galmudug regions increasing cases of abuses against civilians, including widespread Gender-Based Violence, recruitment and use of children, indiscriminate and disproportionate attacks on civilian areas and destruction of infrastructure.
- Access to water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) and health remains a challenge:** There has been a sharp decline in new Acute Watery Diarrhea (AWD)/ Cholera cases across Somalia. However, the number of measles cases still remain at epidemic levels with more than 20,000 cases recorded since January 2017 – this is four times higher than in 2015 and 2016. A nationwide measles vaccination campaign targeting 4.2 million children is ongoing.
- Need to scale up response:** World Vision International (WVI) has assisted 1,081,104 people in affected areas of Somaliland, Puntland, Jubaland and South West State since January 2017. More assistance is still needed to match the increased needs.

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SITUATION HIGHLIGHTS



6.2 million

people in need of humanitarian and protection services



4 million

children are in need of humanitarian assistance



4.4 million

people in need of water, sanitation and hygiene services



1.2 million

children under-5 projected to be malnourished in 2018



1 Million+

people displaced due to drought and conflict in 2017



2.4 Million

children require education support



5.7 Million

people require health support

WHAT WORLD VISION IS DOING

Reporting period 01-31 December



HEALTH AND NUTRITION

Health services: 34,533 outpatients received treatment at 56 health centres and 23 mobile clinics supported by World Vision.

- Puntland: 11,367 outpatients reached
- South West State: 14,397 attended to
- Jubaland: 4,145 outpatients reached
- Somaliland: 4,624 outpatients treated

Health education: 12,944 people took part in health education sessions at 15 treatment centres and 23 mobile clinics.

- Puntland: 1,268 participants
- South West State: 6,696 attendees
- Jubaland: 4,406 participants
- Somaliland: 574 participants

Nutrition: 21,174 children under age 5 were screened for malnutrition. A total of 1,383 were identified as severely malnourished and were referred to nutrition programmes.

- Puntland: 4,556 children screened, 406 severely malnourished referred for treatment
- South West State: 3,378 children screened, 369 severely malnourished referred for treatment
- Jubaland: 10,748 children screened, 354 severely malnourished referred for treatment
- Somaliland: 2,492 children screened, 254 identified as severely malnourished referred for treatment



FOOD SECURITY AND ASSISTANCE

Food and cash assistance: A total of 75,471 people (including children and lactating mothers) received food assistance, An additional 176,352 people received voucher/unconditional cash.

- Puntland: 21,300 people received food assistance while 40,500 received vouchers/cash
- South West State: 28,779 people received food assistance while 5,154 received vouchers/cash
- Jubaland: 25,392 people received food assistance while 98,400 received vouchers/cash
- Somaliland: 32,298 received vouchers/cash



EDUCATION AND PROTECTION

- **School feeding:** 4,303 children continue to benefit from the school feeding programme in South West State
- **Teacher incentives:** 64 teachers in Waajid and Baidoa in South West State received US \$80 in incentives to continue teaching despite many schools closing due to drought. World Vision supports schools in the internally displaced person camps that are not currently supported by the state and the federal government. In Baidoa, 33 teachers and 21 school committees were trained in schools management
- **Protection committee training:** 400 parents were sensitized on gender-based violence in Puntland. In Baidoa, 60 health workers were trained on child protection and Gender-based violence.



WASH

Water trucking: More than 56,500 people from 9,422 household were reached through clean water trucking.

- Puntland: 1,922 households (11,532 individuals) reached
- South West State: 7,500 households (45,000 individuals) in 8 internally displaced settlements reached

Repair and rehabilitation of water facilities: Approximately 5,000 people are able to access water after one shallow well repaired in Baidoa was repaired.

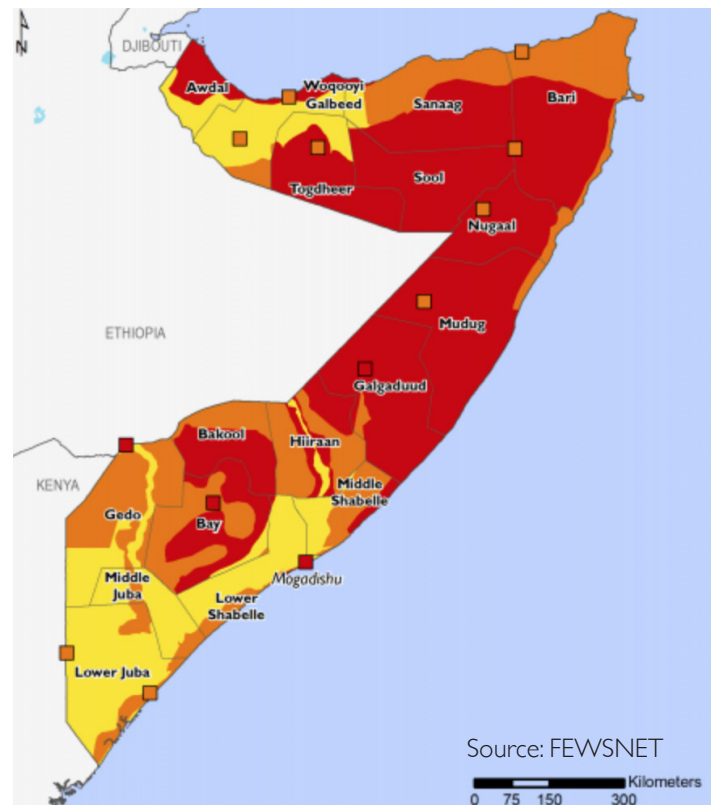
Hygiene and sanitation promotion: 4,358 people were trained in hygiene and sanitation promotion.

- Puntland: 1,0190 participants in hygiene and sanitation sessions
- South West State: 3,339 people trained
- Somaliland: 2,516 people received hygiene kits

NFI CORE RELIEF ITEMS

- **Distribution of Non-food items:** 1,849 individuals received tools and equipment to be used for hygiene and sanitation work. These included wheelbarrows, rakes, spades, shovels and jembe.

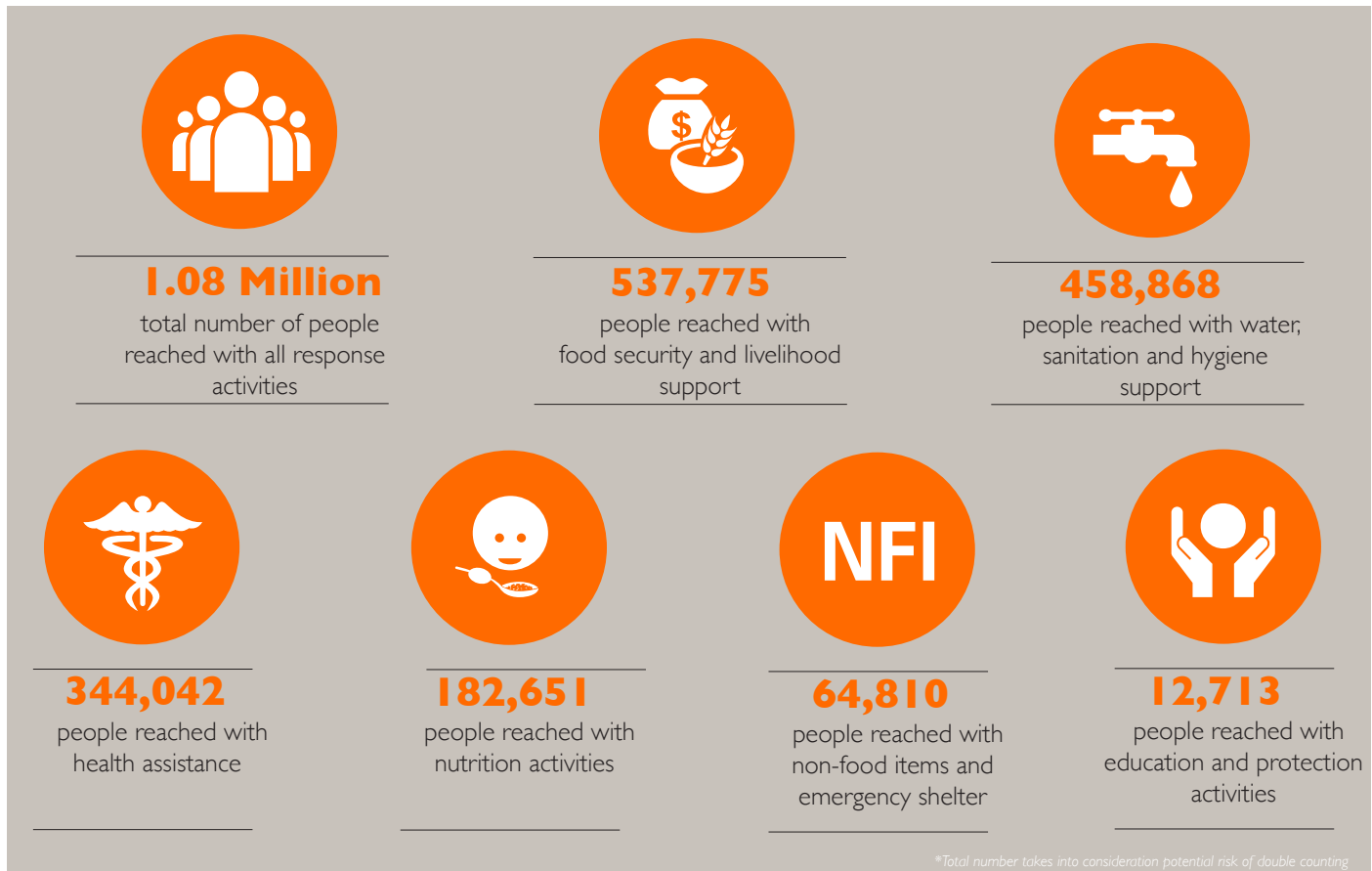
FEB-MAY 2018 FOOD INSECURITY OUTLOOK IN SOMALIA



IPC 2.0 Acute Food Insecurity Phase

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

NUMBER OF PEOPLE REACHED



GAPS AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS



OPERATIONAL GAPS AND CURRENT NEEDS:

- High malnutrition rates, as indicated by the high GAM rates, particularly in IDP camps and the northern districts of Somalia demands for more effort to be put in expanding access to nutrition treatment and therapeutic feeding for children under 5. Increased migration and poor performance of the Deyr rains will lead to a spike in GAM rates.
- The northern regions of Sanaag, Bari and Nugaal have received little or no rains. This is increasing water stress and continues to pose a huge risk of the spread of water borne diseases, increased migration and deaths. Migration of people is already being observed in Togdheer and Bari regions as water stress becomes a reality. There is a need for emergency water and food interventions to keep the families within their places of origin.
- Funding for most emergency nutrition and food assistance projects have come to an end. This leaves the programme with huge funding gaps to sustain the current initiatives and beneficiaries. In the event funding is not received from January 2018 the gains in averting further deterioration of children will be reversed.

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