

Rapid Response Team (RRT) Responses to El Niño

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SOMALIA



SITUATION OVERVIEW

In Somalia, the number of people displaced by flooding has risen to 695,000 from the 649,000 reported in the previous week. Out of the 1.7 million people impacted by the floods, children are among the 94 deaths reported (20 in Southwest, 16 in Hirshabelle and 58 in Jubaland).

The situation in Gedo region continues to deteriorate. Main supply lines have cut off access to commercial towns like Mogadishu, resulting in price hikes for essential food items. Some towns have also run out of fuel, further complicating the already dire situation, and increasing the challenges for children and women. During the week, three children and their mother were reported to have died in Burdhubo, after they were cut-off by the floods. Towns such as Belet Hawa have also been adversely affected, with 12 cases (3 male and 9 female) of Acute Watery Diarrhea (AWD) reported, and no functional Cholera Treatment Center (CTC) to isolate and treat the cases.

In Middle and Lower Juba regions, about 30,000 households are currently displaced by floods and are living in deplorable conditions in Afmadow and Jamame towns which are under the control of non-state armed groups. The main road from Bulogadud to Kismayo has been cut-off by flash floods, which also flooded Yontoy and Bulogadud towns. A total of 6,919 children (3,333 girls and 3,586 boys) are currently out of school because of the closure of 22 schools due to floods in Burdhubo, Bardhere, Luuq, Belet-Hawa and Dollow. School furniture, teaching and learning materials, and 113 latrines were destroyed by the floods.

UNICEF deployed more than 35 personnel to the following hotspot locations in Beletweyne, Jowhar, Balcad, Buloburte, Jalalaqsi, Kismayo Dollow and Baidoa with integrated services in emergency WASH, protection, health and education and to support local level coordination of an integrated response.

HIGHLIGHTS: UNICEF & PARTNERS REACH

Coordination :

- A total of 5,090 U-reporters (50% female) in flood affected areas responded to a poll (<https://somalia.ureport.in/opinion/6656>) showing that 78% of respondents have not received any assistance and those aided received drinking water and toiletries.
- 250 flood safety kits are being distributed to staff and the Ministries of Humanitarian (MoHADMs) of Southwest, Jubaland and Hirshabelle states.
- UNICEF procured and donated 6 boats to support evacuation and aid delivery efforts in the El-Nino hotspots.

Hiraan Region (Hirshabelle):

On-going basic services in Hirshabelle were continued in order to reach women, men and children impacted by flooding. In Beletweyne two child-friendly spaces and one case management center were affected and relocated to higher ground. In Jowhar, Buloburte and Jalalaqsi, a comprehensive assessment of the flood impact is planned by UNICEF in coordination with other partners. UNICEF and partners interventions women, men and children in other districts at high risk of flooding such as Aden Yabaal, Mataban, and Adale.

South-West State

Baidoa: UNICEF is constructing 200 latrines in ten of the evacuation sites and has already released hygiene kits targeting 1,500 vulnerable households in the evacuation sites.

- 29,694 people impacted by flooding were provided with emergency water supply with the Ministry of Energy and Water in Baidoa IDP camps.
 - An additional 9,516 people were enabled access to safe water through the chlorination of 58 shallow wells in Baidoa.
- Hudur, Wajid and Afgoye: 14,617 people were provided with access to safe water through the chlorination of 143 shallow wells in Hudur, Wajid and Afgoye districts.

Rapid Response Teams Outcomes



391K

PEOPLE REACHED



243K

CHILDREN REACHED

RESULTS AS OF 28 NOVEMBER 2023



391K

CHILDREN SCREENED
FOR MALNUTRITION



225K

NEW CASES
ADMITTED FOR SAM



14.6K

CHILDREN
VACCINATED
AGAINST MEASLES



475

CHILDREN REACHED
WITH CRITICAL CHILD
PROTECTION
SERVICES



17.7K

PEOPLE REACHED WITH
RISK COMMUNICATION



4.5K

HOUSEHOLDS
PROVIDED
WITH WASH SUPPLIES



5.9K

SEPARATED &
UNACCOMPANIED
CHILDREN
REGISTERED



715

CHILDREN RECEIVED
LEARNING MATERIALS

Jubaland State

Dollow: UNICEF participated in coordination meetings convened by Jubaland state Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management (MoHADM) emphasizing on programme integration in the response and the strengthening of post distribution aid diversion.

A total of 1,566 (677 male and 889 female) people were reached in Dollow displaced persons camps with key messages on critical hand washing times, proper use of water and water treatment chemicals and prevention of communicable disease. Out of this number, 621 (315 boys and 306 girls) were children.

In Belet-Hawa, 278 children (113 girls and 165 boys) were reached with key life-saving messages in 5 schools, An additional 139 children (80 girls and 59 boys) and 407 adults (251 female and 156 male) were reached with hygiene promotion messages in 6 villages and two health facilities.

Luuq: UNICEF trained 44 people (16 female and 28 male) who are part of water management service providers and representatives from 3 villages in Luuq (Harakobaad, Hanoy and Balatulrahma) on Water Management Strengthening training through Public Private Partnership process.

A total of 225 children (116 girls and 109 boys) and 227 adults (113 female and 114 male) in Yurkud IDP camps were reached with hygiene promotion.

Baardhere: Registration is ongoing for the distribution of 2,000 hygiene kits in Baardhere.

A total of 475 people (261 female and 213 male) including 124 children (66 girls and 58 boys) were reached with hygiene promotion messaging in 4 villages and 4 health facilities in Baardhere.

In Elwak: UNICEF distributed 1,500 Hygiene kits to flood affected households.

Buurdhubo: UNICEF conducted hygiene promotion sessions in 1 health facility and 3 villages in Buurdhubo town, reaching 254 people (134 female and 120 male), including 44 children (25 girls and 19 boys).



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