

SOMALIA EMERGENCY RESPONSE

As of 1 December 2019



In Belet Weyne, persons affected by floods receiving a kit of basic and domestic items, comprising of three sleeping mats, two blankets, two jerry cans, one kitchen set, three pieces of soap and a plastic sheet.

HIGHLIGHTS



363,000
persons displaced

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persons assisted

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7,551
kits distributed

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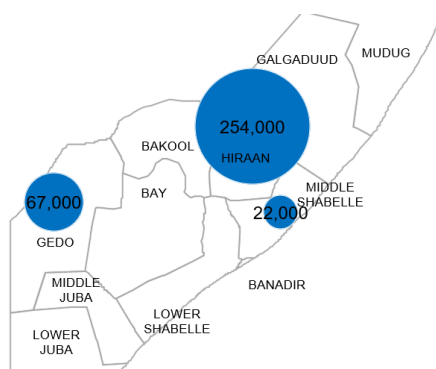
FLOOD DISPLACEMENTS

Since 1 October, the UNHCR-led [Protection and Return and Monitoring Network](#) monitored **363,000 persons newly displaced by floods** and has been regularly reporting to humanitarian coordinators and clusters on areas worst hit and places of arrival.

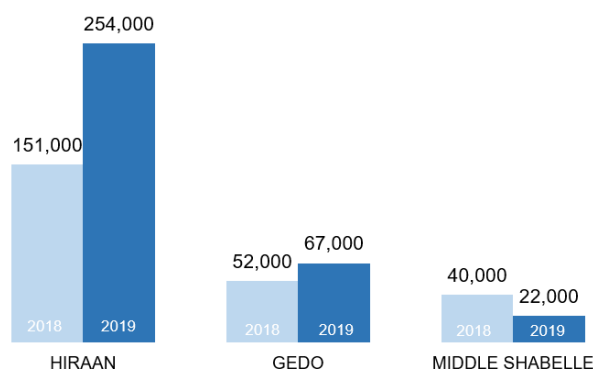
The worst hit regions were Hiraaan (254,000), Gedo (67,000) and Middle Shabelle (22,000), where 93 per cent (343,000) of the total flood displaced persons originate. Most displacements happened from 22 to 30 October when 306,000 persons (in average 34,000 persons per day) were displaced. The toll on human dignity has been immeasurable, with widescale losses across all the sectoral needs of already poverty-stricken individuals. These include devastating impacts on shelter, livelihood, sanitation and water.

In these three worst hit regions, river overflow and flash floods have so far this year displaced 30 per cent (105,000) more persons comparing to 2018, when floods displaced 243,000 persons.

THREE WORST HIT REGIONS



DISPLACEMENTS TRENDS



GLOBAL REFUGEE FORUM

On 24 November, the National Task Force for the [Global Refugee Forum](#) (GRF), composed of several sectorial ministries, held a final meeting to conclude taking stock of the pledges and commitments by Somalia to be made at the GRF in Geneva on 17 and 18 December. One of the commitments agreed upon was **finding permanent solutions for recurring floods that leads to displacement** along the Shabelle and Juba river regions. The Shabelle and Juba rivers, which run through Belet Weyne district in HirShabelle State and Gedo district in South-West State respectively, have displaced 321,000 persons). UNHCR is deeply committed to working with the people and Government of Somalia, the private sector, development, peace and security partners, and a range of other actors and stakeholders to address the root causes of displacement and pursue solutions that benefit all communities.

MOBILIZED RESOURCES

UNHCR has mobilized US\$ 5 million from UNHCR's Operations Reserve for emergency response to the persons affected by floods.

CLUSTER COORDINATION

Emergency response to the persons affected or displaced by floods is coordinated through the clusters. UNHCR leads the Protection, Shelter and NFI's Clusters, and co-leads the Camp Coordination and Camp Management Cluster.

PROTECTION CLUSTER

The Protection Cluster, led by UNHCR, mobilized US\$ 0.75 million from the Somalia Humanitarian Fund for Education with Child Protection, and Gender-based violence (GBV) programmes in Hiraan region and Child Protection and GBV programmes in Middle Shabelle regions. The support will help increase protection capacities and address the additional protection needs among populations affected by the floods. The Protection Cluster distributed sanitary materials to girls and women in Bay, Bakool, Hiraan and Lower Shabelle regions and plans to distributed another 2,000 kits in Hiraan region.

SHELTER AND NFI'S CLUSTER

The Shelter and NFI's Cluster, led by UNHCR, targets 270,000 flood-affected persons with shelter and NFIs assistance. The funding gap is US\$ 8.2 million. As of 28 November 2019, the cluster partners have reached 47,880 persons with NFIs assistance and 9,000 persons with shelter assistance. In the coming days, the Cluster plans to reach an additional 88,000 persons with NFIs assistance and 62,580 persons with shelter assistance. The gap between the humanitarian needs and available assistance in shelter and NFIs remains very high in Belet Weyne, Berdale and Jalalqsi towns.

CAMP COORDINATION AND CAMP MANAGEMENT CLUSTER

The CCCM Cluster, co-led by UNHCR, has coordinated Rapid Need Assessments in the flood-affected areas. The CCCM Cluster focused on drainage creation that diverts flood water to the river, identification of contingency space for flood-affected IDPs, and opening access roads leading to the affected IDP sites. Over 700 vulnerable IDPs were relocated to higher ground in Bay and Gedo regions. The CCCM Cluster supported a total of 83,307 flood-displaced persons in over 100 sites of Bay, Gedo, and Hiraan regions. The CCCM Cluster requires an additional US\$ 3.7 million to reach a total of 42,000 displaced persons in the sites affected by the floods.



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Our flood response in Belet Weyne is still ongoing. We expect to airlift 600 emergency relief items today from Mogadishu. A similar number was airlifted yesterday. Meanwhile, we have begun the distribution of the emergency relief items and have so far reached over 3,000 people.



EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Since 1 October, floods have displaced 363,000 persons, out of whom 213,000 are in Belet Weyne.

UNHCR provided assistance to 42,246 persons by distributing 7,551 NFI or shelter kits.

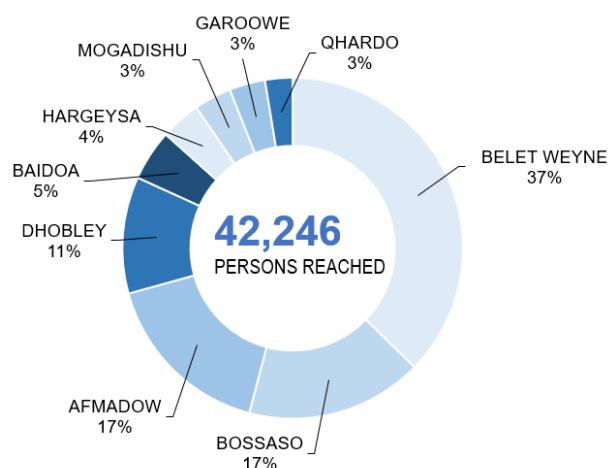


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UNHCR RESPONSE

As of 1 December, UNHCR **provided assistance to 42,246 persons** displaced or affected by floods or rains. The majority of them benefited from non-food items¹ (NFIs) and 3,000 persons from emergency shelter kits². In some areas, like Belet Weyne and Berdale, **humanitarian assistance was initially delayed** in October and November due to inaccessible roads and flooded runways.

LOCATION	KITS	PERSONS
BELET WEYNE	2,627	15,762
BOSSASO	1,608	7,096
AFMADOW	1,169	7,014
DHOBLEY	780	4,680
BAIDOA	340	2,040
HARGEYSA	269	1,614
MOGADISHU	250	1,500
GAROOWE	288	1,440
QHARDO	220	1,100
TOTAL	7,551	42,246



Afmadow. On 28 October, UNHCR distributed NFI kits to 7,014 persons, most of whom were already living in informal IDP sites, affected by *Deyr* rains.

Aisho Ado and Geed Haad. In Awdal region, UNHCR plans to support 660 persons (75 per cent) out of the total 800 persons displaced by floods by providing NFI kits.

Baidoa. On 19 and 30 October, UNHCR provided support to 2,040 persons affected by floods in Baidoa by distributing 340 NFI kits. An assessment carried out by the CCCM Cluster, co-led by UNHCR, indicated that 63,000 IDPs are in urgent need of NFIs and shelter.



A head of a household carrying a kit of NFI in Baidoa.

¹ One kit of non-food items consists of three sleeping mats, two blankets, two jerry cans, one kitchen set, three pieces of soap and a plastic sheet.

² One emergency shelter kit consists of tarps, rope and timber.

Belet Weyne. Since 6 November, UNHCR has assisted 15,762 persons affected by floods: 12,762 persons benefited from NFI kits and 3,000 persons from ESK kits. Following improvement of the runway in Belet Weyne, 3,500 NFI kits have been airlifted targeting 21,000 persons.



Displaced persons during the distribution of NFI kits in Belet Weyne.

Berdale. A preliminary report released following an inter-agency assessment indicated that 35,000 persons, including 6,000 IDPs, have been displaced by flash floods in Berdale—a town with a population of 50,000 persons. Around 75 per cent of shelters in the area were damaged by floods. To date, UNHCR has led the airlifting of 300 NFI kits to affected vulnerable persons.

Bossaso. From 18 to 21 November, UNHCR distributed 1,608 NFI kits to 7,096 persons affected by floods in Bossaso.

Dhobley. On 28 October, UNHCR distributed NFI kits to 4,680 persons affected by Deyr rains.

Hargeysa. On 7 October, UNHCR distributed NFI kits to 1,614 persons affected by rainfall floods. UNHCR plans to assist another 1,740 persons affected by floods. UNHCR remains the largest, and in some cases the only, responder in Somaliland.

Garowe. Between 25 and 26 November, 1,140 persons affected by floods have been benefited from NFI kits Garowe.

Kismayo. A joint assessment, led by UNHCR, was conducted in IDP camps on 7 November. The assessment sought to identify vulnerable households living in shelters that were damaged as a result of rains and flooding.

Mogadishu. On 2 and 10 November, UNHCR also reached 1,500 persons in IDP settlements affected by flooding due to heavy localized rainfall.

Qhardo. From 28 to 30 November, UNHCR distributed 220 kits of NFI to 1,100 persons affected by floods in Qhardo.

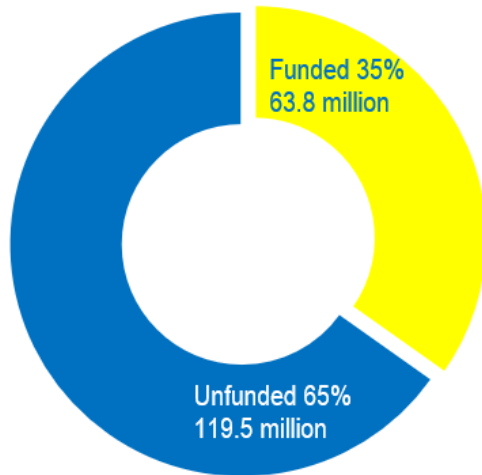
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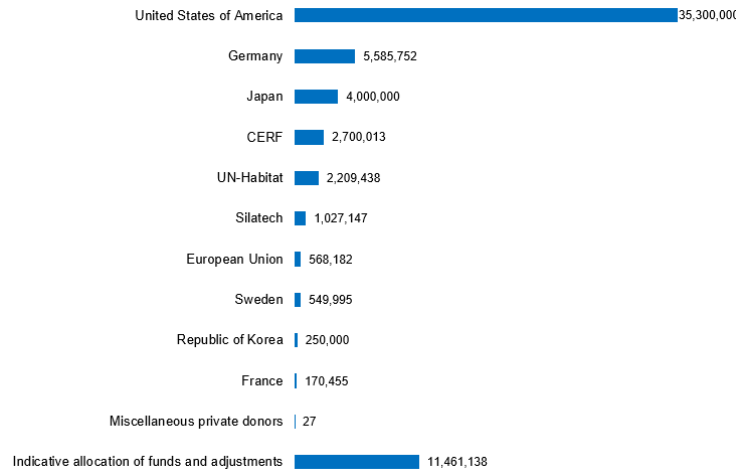
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