

Food Security Cluster Bakool Region Meeting, Somalia.

Date: 2 May 2024	No. of Participants:	28
Place: Virtual/Online	Participant Organizations:	12
Timing: 11:00 – 12:41	Male and Female:	26:1

Meeting Minutes

Agenda Points	Deliberations	Action Points/Decisions
Introduction	 The meeting with a round of introductions by all participants. The SWS FSC Coordinator welcomed all participants, presented the meeting agenda which was agreed upon by all partners. 	 FSC Bakool requested FSC partners to share the 5Ws matrix with FSC National IM team to have proper depiction of partners' response in FSC Dashboard.
Gu Preparedness 2024 and FSC Partners Updates	 Gu preparedness 2024 was presented with current situation regarding the performance and effects of GU rains in Somalia. Main presented points were as following; In Bakool region, the arrival of the Gu rains brings both relief and challenges. While the rains offer hope for replenishing water sources and supporting agricultural activities, there is a risk of localized flooding, especially in low-lying areas. Prior to the rains, the region endured heatwaves. More than 124,150 people have been affected by the Gu (April to June) rains. Jubaland, Hirshabelle and SWS are the worst impacted. Heavy rains are projected during the week ending 30 April in parts of Bay Region near Baidoa besides Bualle in Middle Juba Region, Garbahaarey in Gedo Region, Belet Weyne in Hiraan Region, and south of Burco in Togdheer region. Reports from SWS indicate that around 19,896 people have been affected in 71 displacement sites and 691. The Shabelle river overflowed its banks in Aw Dheegle, affecting 4,800 people, flooding 19 hectares of crops and damaging 250 houses. The FAO-SWALIM, projects heavy rains during the week ending 30 April in parts of Bay Region, and south of Bay Region, Buale in Middle Juba Region, Buale in Middle Juba Region, Buale in Middle Juba Region, Part Part Part Part Part Part Part Part	 The FSC requested partners to provide their organization's Gu flood response covering the period 1stApril - 30th April 2024 using the attached template by COB Wednesday, 1 May 2024 to info.somalia@fscluster.o rg, with copy to nour.saffaf@wfp.org, hassan.abdi@wfp.org, and nasra.hussein@wfp.org.

	 Garbahaarey in Gedo Region, and south of Burco in Togdheer region. SWALIM is sending out Early Warning messages to communities that are likely to be 	
	affected via the Digniin ('alert' in Somali) SMS alert system.	
	 This week, radio broadcasts for early warning to at-risk communities will also start. 	
	• The SoDMA has warned communities living in flood-prone areas of Jowhar, Belet	
	Weyne, Bula Burde in Hirshabelle as well as Luuq and Doolow in Jubaland states to	
	 brace for the impact of potential floods. The agency noted that rising water levels in the Shabelle and Juba rivers could threaten 	
	livelihoods in several regions.	
	 The Bay, Bakool, Galgaduud, Gedo and Lower Juba regions are on high alert, according to SoDMA. 	
Tri-Cluster Fast Track	The Tri-Cluster initiative for Fast Track Referral Mechanism was initiated at SWS level and	Updates from the Tri-petite
Referral Mechanism	shared with partners for their information and updates.	meetings will be shared with
Updates	 Marginalized groups and minority communities in Somalia facing with structural exclusion risks from all spheres of life, also affecting the humanitarian system and response. 	FSC Cluster partners on regular basis.
	 During the 2022 drought emergency response, concerns grew over such exclusion risks from the food security response in particular. 	
	 This SOP aims at addressing such structural exclusion risks for households of minority and other marginalized groups from humanitarian food and cash assistance through a proactive identification and fast-track protection referral process that helps mitigate targeting exclusion errors and enables an inclusive response, targeting those most at risk and with heightened vulnerability. 	
	 This SOP builds on pilots undertaken at agency-levels in South Galkayo and Baidoa between November 2022 and January 2023, and the lessons learned in that process. The Tri-petite cluster meetings will be held on monthly basis. 	
	 2 Cluster partners from each cluster will be also selected to be part of this tri-petite to keep the accountability and to utilize their valuable presence within the group accordingly. 	
FSC Response and Interactive Dashboard	The Food Security Cluster response for the reporting month of April 2024 was presented, separately by the with two strategic objectives and implementing partners in each district.	For more information, please visit <u>https://rb.gy/3fs1ec</u>
	 A total of 11 partners collectively assisted about 120,126 people under SO1 over- achieving the HRP target by 22%. There partners include (WFP/ASIP and AMARD in Elbarde, FOA/ASOIF and WFP/ASIP in Rabdhure, FOA/SAO, WFP/WVI, AMARD, 	

	 WVI/ARD in Wajid, and CARE/GREDO, WFP/MARDO, WVI/MARDO, FOA/SEDO, WFP/WVI in Hudur). And only 2 partners (FAO/ASOIF) assisted 4,890 people in Rabdhure under SO2. Areas of gap and/or overreach were also highlighted and the FSC Coordinator requested partners to scale up investing in SO2 which has a huge gap of 37% specially districts like Hudur, Elbarde, Wajid, and Tiyeglow. 	
Capacity Building Initiatives for FSC Partners	SWS FSC identified the need to have refresher training for FSC partners on the following topics; - 5Ws Matrix, - Floods Response Matrix - Preparedness, Response and Stock Matrix	 FSC Bakool partners were requested to share any further topic for their refresher training which seems important for their capacity under FSC.
FSC mailing List and What'sapp Group	 During the meeting, the FSC provided an update on the progress status of the mailing list. It was reported that 9 partners had submitted contacts for their focal points. The FSC reiterated its request for partners to join their respective Regional Coordination FSC WhatsApp groups for quick and efficient collaboration and coordination. Partners can join using the link provided below. 	-FSC Mailing List Link: Bakool: <u>https://ee-</u> <u>eu.kobotoolbox.org/x/4T38N</u> <u>R07</u> Bakool R FSC Partners What'sapp Link: <u>https://chat.whatsapp.com/</u> <u>GXBE6e9q4Rd9pyC3bQJRiR</u>
АОВ	 Next meeting will be held in June 2024 and FSC partners will receive invitation of meeting with desired meeting link well in time. 	

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