

# FOOD SECURITY CLUSTER COORDINATION MEETING – Hirshabelle State.

Location: UNSOS Compound Beletweyne and ONLINE

Date: 30 January 2023 Time: 10:10am – 11:38am

#### **PARTICIPANTS**

25 individuals from 18 organizations in attendance.

ORGANIZATIONS	
AADSOM	OCHA
BARDO	RRP
Beletweyne District Commission	SFH
Development Action Network	SOADO
DRC	SOHDA
FAO, SWALIM.	SOMDEVSOL
Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation	SOMRELIEF
Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs & Disaster Management	SORDA
MRDO	WFP
National FSC	

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Introduction and opening remarks (MoAI, MoHADM)
- 2. FSC Strategy and Priorities 2023
- 3. FSC Partner Response Overview 2022 (Gaps, Liberated areas)
- 4. Regional and State-Level Meeting plan 2023
- 5. AOB

## **SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS**

- 1. FSC to share the annual meeting calendar with all partners.
- 2. MoAl to share the recently conducted assessment in Hiran region.
- 3. WFP to give update on the planned intervention to Adan Yabal in the next meeting.

No	PROCEEDING	ACTION POINTS
1	Introduction and opening remarks (MoAI, MoHADM)	MoAI to share the
	The meeting started at 10:10am with a round of introductions by all participants.	recently conducted
		assessment in
	Opening remarks were also given by:	Hiran region
	The Director, Food Security Department Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation –	
	Mr. Anwar Yusuf welcomed the new FSC coordinator to Beletweyne and	
	expressed the Ministry's appreciation for FSC's effort to ensure collaboration. He	
	also noted that the MoAI is open and willing to collaborate with the FSC, Partners	
	and Donors to ensure the vulnerable population in the state can receive	
	agriculture and livelihood support. He highlighted the deteriorating situation in	
	the state with lower levels recorded in the Shabelle river which restrained the	
	agricultural activities as some farmers have not planted in about 3 years. He urged	
	for urgent intervention in rural areas to avoid further displacements as their	
	farming and other livelihoods activities are destroyed by the effects of drought.	



Director General, Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management.
 Mr. Abdifatah Yusuf also extended his welcome to the new FSC coordinator and appreciated all the partners for attending this first and crucial meeting. Mr.
 Abdifatah mentioned the need to provide support to rural areas as Hirshabelle State continues to face huge displacements to towns. He noted MoHADM is the government institution mandated to coordinate and lead the humanitarian emergency and disaster risk management in the state and recommends for a multi-sectoral needs assessment across all districts in Hirshabelle State to understand the evolving needs, gaps and areas of priority.
 He then declared the meeting open.

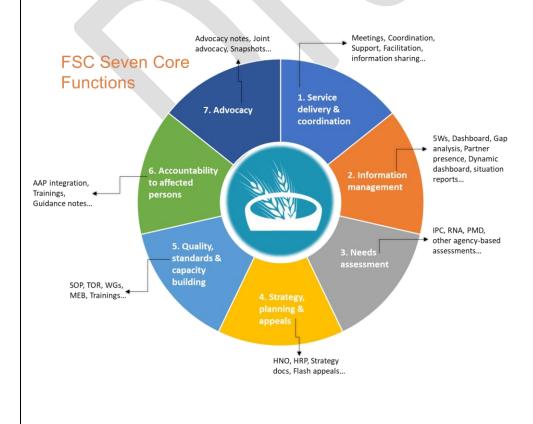
Mr. Usman Buhari who just arrived 2 weeks ago also introduced himself as the new Food Security Cluster Coordinator for Hirshabelle State. He noted that this meeting is mainly to introduce the cluster's functions and plan for the year while creating awareness on the overall cluster coordination structure at both the regional and state levels.

## 2 FSC Strategy and Priorities - 2023

The strategy and priorities for the state FSC were presented, and the coordinator emphasized on how the cluster intends to achieve them in the working year 2023. Key areas discussed in this session were:

- FSC Core Functions
- HRP-2023 Key Figures/Strategic Objectives and Indicators
- FSC Regional and State-level Coordination Structure
- Information Management
- Government Collaborations
- Inter-Cluster Collaborations
- Cross-cutting Issues

The full meeting presentation can be found on the FSC Somalia website.





## Comments:

- SORDA informed they conducted a rapid needs assessment which discovered urgent food security needs in Western Bulu Burte, Jalalaqsi noting there are very few partners on the ground and not able to meet all the needs of the people. They urged for organizations to scale up in these underserved communities.
- FAO suggested that the cluster consider prioritizing information sharing between FSC partners and relevant government authorities to ensure accountability and neutrality of our activities to the affected population to avoid allegations as already stated in the past.
- MoHADM re-emphasized the need for humanitarian organizations to inform and work closely with relevant ministries when conducting any type of assessment, He noted that failure of such communication is strongly discouraged.
  - o This view was heavily backed and stressed again by the MoAI noting the importance to work closely with the government authorities at all levels.

#### 3 FSC Partner Response Overview 2022 (Gaps, Liberated areas)

The Food Security Cluster Information Management Officer presented the partner response overview for 2022, highlighting the partner presence, achievements, and gaps for the whole Hirshabelle state.

The IMO reiterated the need to urgently have operational partner presence in Adan Yabal after being liberated to cover the gaps.

intervention to Adan Yabal in the next meeting.

WFP to give update on the planned

#### Comments:

WFP comments on Adan Yabal

- WFP mentioned that they are currently planning a joint inter-agency mission Adan Yabal district to finalize the beneficiary targeting and registration.
- WFP has also been in contact with the district and local authorities during this preparation phase.
- WFP's implementing partner ORDO has also confirmed they are able to reach 18 villages of Adan Yabal district.
- Starting February, WFP will aim to provide food assistance to a total of 10,000 households.

## 4 Regional and State-Level Meeting plan 2023

The annual meeting calendar was presented to the meeting participants for comments and validation. Noting that the dates are indicative and when necessary, can be rescheduled due to evolving emergencies.

Members did not have any objections to the plan.

FSC to share meeting calendar to all partners.



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# 5 AOB

Closing & adjournment;

The meeting ended by 11:38am and it was adjourned to Tuesday, 14th February 2023.

Partners were also reminded to join their respective regional coordination meetings;

Hiran RCM: 7th February 2023 (2:00PM-3:30PM)

Middle Shabelle RCM: 8th February 2023 (10:00AM-11:30PM)