

FOOD SECURITY CLUSTER COORDINATION MEETING – Hirshabelle State.

Location: UNSOS Compound Beletweyne and ONLINE

Date: 09th May 2023

Time: 10:10am – 11:27am

PARTICIPANTS

23 individuals from 17 organizations in attendance.

ORGANIZATIONS	
ACF	PDA
ADRO	SAACID
Aid Bridge	SCC
Aid Vision	SCI
DRC	SYPD
FAO/SWALIM	VRD
HORSEED HDO	
Islamic Relief Somalia	
Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management	
Ministry of Social Affairs	
NASDO	

AGENDA

1. Introduction and opening remarks (MoAI, MoLFR, MoHADM)
2. Review of action points from previous meeting
3. FSC Partner Response Overview (March 2023)
4. Weather Forecast and Floods Update in Hirshabelle State – FAO SWALIM
5. Floods Preparedness and Update – FSC
6. OPZ geo-coordination and partner plans Q2
7. AOB

SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS

1. FSC to share Partners' Response Overview for March 2023.
2. FSC to share FAO SWALIM's presentation.
3. FSC to share consolidated partners' flood response plan.
4. FSC to setup OPZ coordination meetings for local coordination for deduplication.

No	PROCEEDING	ACTION POINTS
1	<p>Introduction and opening remarks (MoAI, MoLFR, MoHADM)</p> <p>The meeting started at 10:10am with a round of introductions by all participants.</p> <p>The Hirshabelle State FSC Coordinator welcomed all the participants and emphasized the need for active participation in these meeting for an effective coordination.</p> <p>Mr. Hassan Ahmed Barqadle from Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management also welcomed all the participants and noted the importance of coordination across all partners for a better response while liaising with the relevant government authorities for information sharing and affective coordination.</p> <p>He then opened the meeting officially.</p>	

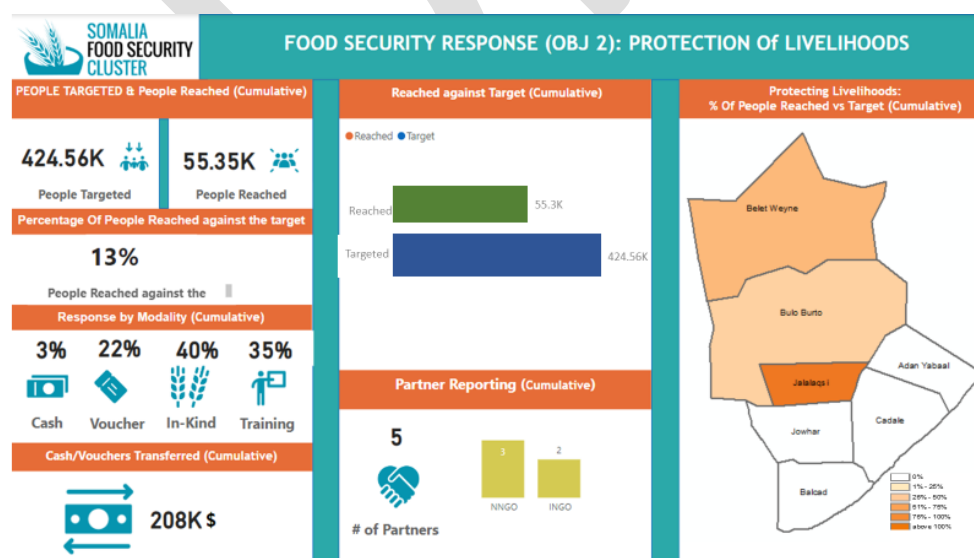
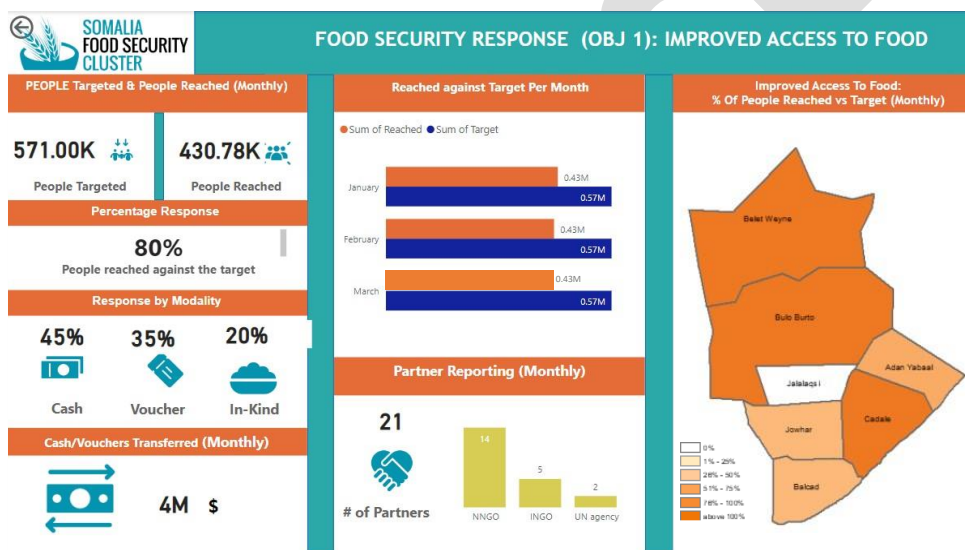
- 2 **Review of previous action points and approval of meeting minutes**
1. FSC to share Partners' Response Overview for March 2023. - **TODAY**
 2. FSC to share FAO SWALIM's presentation. - **DONE**
 3. FSC to consolidate partners' resource mapping for emergency flood response. - **DONE**
 4. FSC to update all partners on the situation around the flood alerts. - **ONGOING**

The [April meeting minutes](#) was then adopted and validated.

3 **FSC Response Overview – March 2023**

The Food Security Cluster response for the reporting month of February 2023 was presented by the different strategic objectives and by district. A total of 21 partners collectively assisted about 431K people under SO1 while 5 partners assisted 55K people under SO2. Areas of gap and/or overreach were also highlighted and the FSC Coordinator requested partners to support in newly liberated areas.

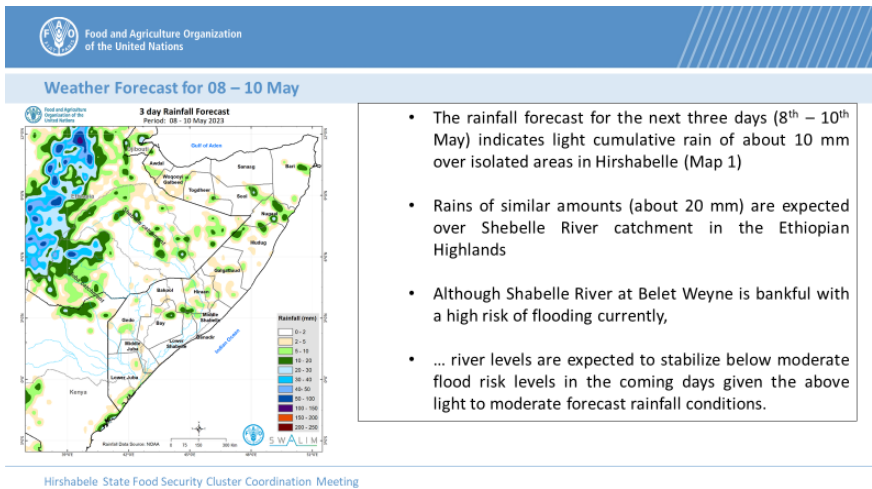
FSC to share Partners' Response Overview for March 2023.



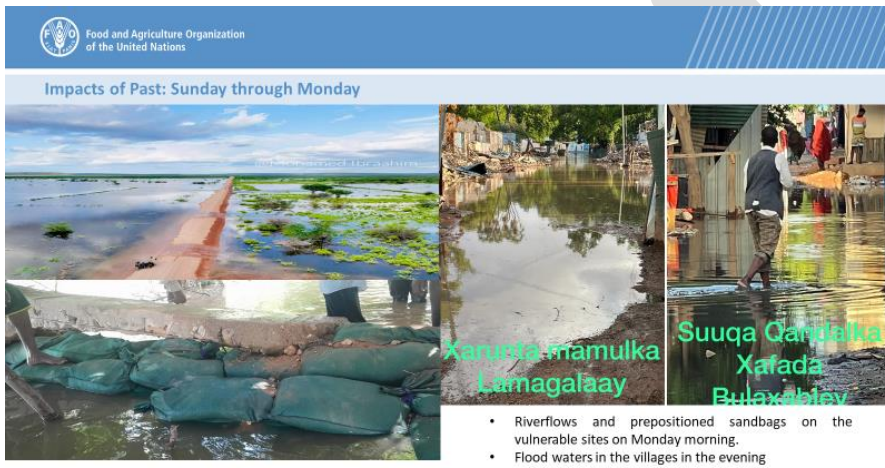
4 Weather Forecast and Floods Update in Hirshabelle State – FAO SWALIM

SWALIM team presented the current weather forecast and rainfall conditions for Hirshabelle State also highlighting evolving flood events that have occurred in both Beletweyne and Jowhar districts.

FSC to share FAO SWALIM’s presentation.



- The rainfall forecast for the next three days (8th – 10th May) indicates light cumulative rain of about 10 mm over isolated areas in Hirshabelle (Map 1)
- Rains of similar amounts (about 20 mm) are expected over Shebelle River catchment in the Ethiopian Highlands
- Although Shabelle River at Belet Weyne is bankful with a high risk of flooding currently,
- ... river levels are expected to stabilize below moderate flood risk levels in the coming days given the above light to moderate forecast rainfall conditions.



- Riverflows and prepositioned sandbags on the vulnerable sites on Monday morning.
- Flood waters in the villages in the evening

The whole meeting presentations including the one from SWALIM can be found on the [FSC Website](#).

5 Floods Preparedness and Update – FSC

The FSC Coordinator presented the recent updates regarding the floods in Beletweyne and across the Shabelle river in Hirshabelle State.

FSC to share consolidated partners’ flood response plan

- Floodings have occurred in Beletweyne Town as of yesterday due to spill over from the river channel.
- FAO SWALIM weather forecast indicates low rainfall across Hirshabelle State between 3-9 May 2023.
- However, the Shabelle River level has been on the rise again since 28th April due to the heavy rainfalls received in Ethiopian highlands.
- River levels in Beletweyne in Beletweyne this morning is at bank full (8.3m) and about 15 riverine communities have been displaced.
- A government-led flood impact assessment will be conducted on 10th and 11th May.

- 20 FSC partners will join the assessment team with 10 vehicles contributed by their organizations.
- FSC partners are urged to kindly provide urgent mitigation measures (e.g sandbags, inlet/outlet rehabilitation) to prevent further floods into Beletweyne Town

The Cluster has also been engaging with partners to consolidate available resources and plans to respond to the flood emergency, while partners have started to stock food items, high energy biscuits and cash/voucher assistance, other partners have also been supporting through resilience based activities like canal rehabilitation, distribution of sandbags to close-up some breakages along the river. Below is the consolidated preparedness and is being updated as more partners are able to mobilize resources to respond.

Activities	District	Available Stock	
		On hand	In pipeline
FAO & WFP – Early Warning SMS Alerts to Farmers	Beletweyne	5,000 HHs	
FAO – Rehabilitation of 13 breakage sites across the Shabelle River	Beletweyne	13 Breakage sites Rehabilitation	
Islamic Relief Somalia – Disaster Risk Reduction through Cash for Work	Beletweyne	100 HHs flood barrier construction	
WFP – Emergency lifesaving food Assistance	Beletweyne	10,000 HHs	
Save the Children – Emergency lifesaving food Assistance	Beletweyne		800 HHs
WFP – Emergency lifesaving food Assistance	Jowhar	10,000 HHs	
Mercy Corps – Multi-purpose Cash Assistance	Jowhar	200 HHs	
FAO – Rehabilitation of 05 Canal across the Shabelle River	Jowhar	05 Canal Rehabilitation	
Islamic Relief Somalia – Disaster Risk Reduction through Cash for Work	Balcad	100 HHs flood barrier construction	
Mercy Corps – Multi-purpose Cash Assistance	Balcad	179 HHs	
	BuloBurte		
	Jalalaqsi		



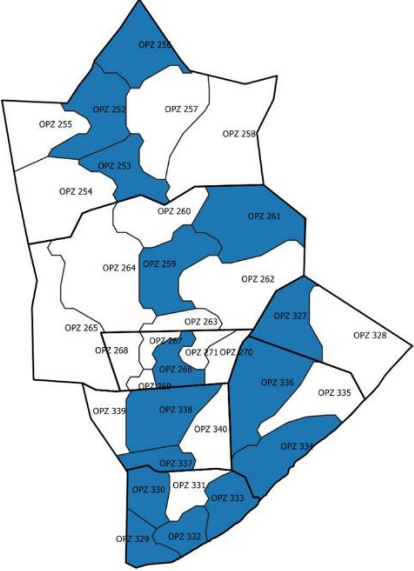
6 OPZ geo-coordination and partner plans Q2

The FSC Coordinator presented an update regarding the OPZ planning which allows for better coordination and understanding gaps and overlaps, this process will involve a series of joint meetings with partners who shared plans to be in the same OPZ location. Coordination meetings will be held to seek solutions for deduplication to maximize the limited resources available to partners.

Why OPZ Mapping?

- Improve local coordination and partner engagement.
- Minimize duplication of resources.
- More realistic gap analysis and presence mapping.
- Improved resource allocation and fair distribution of humanitarian assistance.
- Monitor and predict partner performance to easily identify areas in need of attention and advocacy.

FSC to setup OPZ coordination meetings for local coordination for deduplication

	<p><u>Q2 OPZ Partner Presence</u></p> 	
7	<p>AOB</p> <p>Closing & adjournment; The meeting ended by 11:27am and it was adjourned to Tuesday, 13th June 2023.</p> <p>Partners were also reminded to join their respective regional coordination meetings;</p> <p>Hiran RCM: 6th June 2023 (2:00PM-3:30PM) Middle Shabelle RCM: 7th June 2023 (10:00AM-11:30PM)</p>	

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