

## FOOD SECURITY CLUSTER COORDINATION MEETING – Middle Shabelle Region.

Location: Islamic Relief Somalia Office Balcad and ONLINE

Date: 5th April 2023

Time: 10:10am – 11:30am

### PARTICIPANTS

21 individuals from 15 organizations in attendance.

ORGANIZATIONS	
ADSAM	SFH
Aid Vision	SOHDA
ARDO	SRC
BARDO	VRD
FAO	
ICRC	
Islamic Relief Somalia	
Mercy Corps	
Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation	
OCHA	
ORDO	

### AGENDA

1. Introduction and Opening Remarks
2. FSC Partner presence in Middle Shabelle
3. Partner updates (Flood preparedness, challenges and gaps)
4. Flood alert updates in Middle Shabelle – FAO SWALIM
5. AOB

### SUMMARY OF ACTION POINTS

1. FSC to share FAO SWALIM's presentation.
2. Partners to share with FSC their flood response plan.
3. Islamic Relief Somalia to present their Food Security project in the region.

No	PROCEEDING	ACTION POINTS
1	<p><b>Introduction and Opening remarks</b></p> <p>This Middle Shabelle FSC meeting was the first meeting of its kind, and was organized by Usman Buhari, Hirshabelle FSC Coordinator, and Co-chaired with Osman Sheikh Adan (IRW/S), Middle Shabelle FSC Coordinator. The meeting started: 10:10 am virtually and in IRS office in Balcad. The Hirshabelle FSC Coordinator welcomed cluster members that attended the meeting. Formal introduction was done by the FSC partners and the meeting agenda was presented and endorsed. Participants were requested to actively participate in this forum to ensure better coordination. The meeting started at 10:10am with a round of introductions by all participants.</p> <p>Opening remarks were also given by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Director, Food Security Department Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation – Mr. Anwar Yusuf welcomed the start of Middle Shabelle FSC coordination meeting 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,</li> </ul>	

	Partners to ensure the vulnerable population in the region can receive agriculture and livelihood support.																																									
<b>2</b>	<p><b>FSC Partner Presence in Middle Shabelle</b></p> <p>The reason is to understand partner presence, what the partner is doing and where, and to use this opportunity of the first middle Shabelle meeting to advocate for partners to send their response activities on monthly bases to information management unit of food security cluster. This will strengthen the coordination of partners on the ground to avoid duplication.</p> <p>Below is the Middle Shabelle Partner Presence as of Feb. 2023.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Region</th> <th>District</th> <th>Reporting organization</th> <th>Implementing partner</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Middle Shabelle</td> <td>Balcad</td> <td>MC</td> <td>MC  Mercy Corps</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Middle Shabelle</td> <td>Balcad</td> <td>WFP</td> <td>IVDO  Isse Voluntary Development Organization</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Middle Shabelle</td> <td>Balcad</td> <td>WFP</td> <td>ORDO  Onkod Relief and Development Organization</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Middle Shabelle</td> <td>Balcad</td> <td>WFP</td> <td>SAACID</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Middle Shabelle</td> <td>Cadale</td> <td>WFP</td> <td>ORDO  Onkod Relief and Development Organization</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Middle Shabelle</td> <td>Jowhar</td> <td>WFP</td> <td>ORDO  Onkod Relief and Development Organization</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Middle Shabelle</td> <td>Jowhar</td> <td>WFP</td> <td>SAACID</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Middle Shabelle</td> <td>Cadale</td> <td>WFP</td> <td>SAACID</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Middle Shabelle</td> <td>Jowhar</td> <td>QC</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Region	District	Reporting organization	Implementing partner	Middle Shabelle	Balcad	MC	MC  Mercy Corps	Middle Shabelle	Balcad	WFP	IVDO  Isse Voluntary Development Organization	Middle Shabelle	Balcad	WFP	ORDO  Onkod Relief and Development Organization	Middle Shabelle	Balcad	WFP	SAACID	Middle Shabelle	Cadale	WFP	ORDO  Onkod Relief and Development Organization	Middle Shabelle	Jowhar	WFP	ORDO  Onkod Relief and Development Organization	Middle Shabelle	Jowhar	WFP	SAACID	Middle Shabelle	Cadale	WFP	SAACID	Middle Shabelle	Jowhar	QC		Partners to share with FSC their flood response plan.
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<b>3</b>	<p><b>Partner Updates (Flood preparedness, challenges and gaps)</b></p> <p><b>Islamic Relief</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 people will work for flood barrier construction through Cash For Work (CFW) for two months in Balcad, and the process is under procurement and will be started/conducted in April and May 2023.</li> <li>12 main or primary canals are to be rehabilitated in Balcad area, thus will reduce the high flow of the river and the process is under procurement and will be started/conducted in April and May 2023.</li> </ul> <p><b>Solution For Humanitarian</b></p> <p>SHF is planning to conduct Rapid Assessment to Jowhar and Balcad, and after assessment will do a response accordingly.</p> <p><b>Aid Vision</b></p> <p>Team from Aid Vision is on the ground to assess the primary needs to the flood affected area/villages of Buurfule nad Raqeyle villages of Jowhar, and Aid Vision will provide 1,000 empty bags to Raqeyle and Burfule villagers for strengthening the closure of creak points where the river water is coming out.</p> <p><b>ORDO</b></p>	Islamic Relief Somalia to present their Food Security project in the region.																																								

	<p>ORDO sent a team to the flood affected areas to assess the damage of the flooding. On other hand ORDO provided 1,000 empty bags to Raqele and Burfule villagers to help close the breakage of the river and prevent the flooding.</p> <p><b>OCHA</b> According to the information received from flood affected areas, there are people who left their homes due to the flooding impacts, and these people are now living with their relatives on the high ground areas. These people are without shelter and other basic needs. Partners are encouraged to focus on supporting these flooded families. There is a need of Inter Cluster assessment to the affected areas raised by OCHA, and they had area humanitarian coordination meeting to know the situation. Before going with this assessment OCHA is planning to reach Hirshabelle state level and Middle Shabelle regional administration to discuss how this assessment can go ahead. OCHA also confirmed that there are two additional villages under Mahaday district affected by the floods, these two villages are called Kulmis and Calaag. Both villages were affected in the settlements and farming lands.</p> <p><b>Hirshabelle FSC Coordinator:</b> As FSC, we are on standby with all standardized assessment tools, once confirmed, we are ready to share with FSC assessment documents. And Also inform you that there are partners in Middle Shabelle who are ready to join in the assessment waiting your outcomes with meetings.</p>	
4	<p><b>Flood alert updates in Middle Shabelle – FAO SWALIM</b></p> <p><b>Rainfall and Flood Update in Jowhar and Somalia in General</b></p> <p><b>Last week weather:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Several parts of the country received moderate to heavy rains during the second half of March making as an early start of GU long rainy season in Somalia.</li> <li>• Jowhar station has recorded 48.5 mm of rainfall during last two weeks of march.</li> </ul> <p><b>Forecast:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moderate to light rainfall is predicted over Middle Shabelle region from 4 - 11 April</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Currently river level along Shabelle are moderate/average for this period over the year with low risk of flooding</li> <li>• Levels along the Shabelle river is expected to raise in the coming days or weeks given the ongoing rains within Ethiopian highlands.</li> <li>• As late March, 62 breakage points have been identified in Shabelle and Juba rivers which pose great risk of flooding.</li> </ul> <p><b>Jowhar Flood Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On 1<sup>st</sup> April around, river Shabelle flooded at Raqeyle village which 8 km to southeastern of Jowhar, there are other two villages named Burfulle and Bulo Ahmed which are also flooded as the report indicates. The flood has affected farms destroying the growing crops. The river level has subsequently dropped down from 4.85m to 4.30m.</li> <li>• FAO, SWALIM are following the developments keenly and promised will keep updated.</li> </ul>	FSC to share FAO SWALIM's presentation.

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

- 5 **AOB**  
 Closing & adjournment;  
 The meeting ended by 11:30am and it was adjourned to **Wednesday, 3rd May 2023**.
- Partners were also reminded to join the next regional and state coordination meetings.
- Hiran Regional RCM: 2nd May 2023 (2:00PM-3:30PM)  
 Middle Shabelle RCM: 3rd May 2023 (10:00AM-11:30AM)  
 Hirshabelle SCM: 12th April 2023 (10:00AM-11:30AM)

FSC Hirshabelle State and Regional Coordination Meeting Schedule - 2023																											
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UN Holiday (Blue square)  
 Hirshabelle State Meeting: (10:00AM-11:30AM) (Orange square)  
 Hiran Regional Meeting: (2:00PM-3:30PM) (Red square)  
 Middle Shabelle Regional Meeting: (10:00AM-11:30AM) (Green square)