MINUTES OF THE FOOD SECURITY CLUSTER (FSC) PARTNERS MEETING  
25 June 2019, NCA Hotel, Mogadishu, Somalia

Chairs

Dr. Mahad Mohamed Hassan, Director of National Humanitarian Coordination Centre (NHCC)  
Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management (MoHADM)  
Mulugeta Shibru - Somalia FSC Co-Coordinator  
Bernard Mrewa - Somalia FSC Co-Coordinator  
Mr Mohamud Yasin Artan Director of Food Security and Early Warning- Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation (MoAI)

Agenda

1. Opening remarks – Government (Dr. Mohad and Mr. Abdullahi)  
2. Presentation of Line Ministries  
3. Update – FSNAU  
4. FSC Quarterly response update  
5. Update on joint Strategic Advisory Group and Cluster Review Committee  
6. SAG/CRC/ Vice Coordinators election results  
7. CERF/SHF 2019 Update  
8. Update on HPC  
9. Accountability to Affected Populations  
10. AOB  
a) Next meeting

1. **Opening Remarks by Dr. Mahad Mohamed Hassan: Director of National Humanitarian Coordination Center (NHCC) - Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management (MoHADM)**

Dr. Mahad - opened the meeting at 10:15 am.

In his opening remarks, Dr. Mahad emphasized on the need for the line ministries, FSC partners, WFP and FAO to continue working together as they support the Somali people. As such, Government is ready to engage with partners and facilitate their work. He emphasized that partners should actively participate in Food Security Cluster activities.


Regional Planning for Rural Assessments: July 08-09. 2019.

Main activities in the regional planning include: -  

i) Refresher training for the field instrument (questionnaires)  
ii) Sampling of the villages to be assessed  
iii) Team composition  
iv) Logistics and teams travel plan
1. **Southern Regions**: mostly teleconferencing in the southern Somalia using enumerators, key informants and partial field travel in some regions (Hiraan, Shabelle, Bay, Gedo and Lower Juba) subject to UNDSS approval.

2. **North – Central Regions**: Full access in the North and most of Central regions and partial teleconferencing in some parts of Central Ceel Dheer, Xara-Dheere and Ceel Buur.

**Participants of the assessment**
- Led by FSNAU/ FEWS NET
- Government experienced resource teams
- Government Focal points
- Partners (local/ international NGOs and UN organizations)

**Regional teams and number of the livelihoods to be covered in each region**

3. **Bay and Bakool: Livelihood Zones (4)**
   - 3 Agropastoral Livelihoods (Sorghum High Potential Agropastoral, Bay-Bakool Agropastoral Low Potential) and Southern Agropastoral of Bakool
   - 1 Pastoral livelihood (Southern Inland Pastoral) in Bakool

4. **Gedo: Livelihood Zones (4)**
   - 1 Pastoral Livelihoods (Southern Inland Pastoral)
   - 2 Agropastoral Livelihoods (Southern agropastoral and Sorghum High Potential Agropastoral)
   - Riverine pump irrigation - is agriculturalists.

5. **Lower and Middle Juba: Livelihood Zones: (7)**
   - 2 Pastoral Livelihoods: Juba Pastoral Cattle& Goats; Southern Inland Pastoral (SIP)
   - 3 Agro-pastoral Livelihoods: Southern Agropastoral; Southern Rainfed (maize, cattle and goat) and Sorghum High Potential Agropastoral
   - 2 Riverine pump irrigation (M/L. Juba and Riverine gravity and pump irrigation)

6. **Middle and Lower Shabelle: Livelihood Zones: (5)**
   - 1 Riverine: Riverine Gravity Irrigation
   - 3 Agropastoral Livelihoods: Southern Rainfed Agropastoral - maize/cattle; Cowpea Belt; Sorghum High Potential
   - 1 Pastoral Livelihood: SIP

7. **Hiraan: Livelihood Zones: (4)**
   - 2 Pastoral Livelihoods: SIP and Hawd Pastoral
   - 1 Agropastoral: Southern agropastoral
   - 1 Riverine: Riverine Pump Irrigation

8. **Galgadud and Mudug: Livelihood Zones: (4)**
   - 3 Pastoral Livelihoods: Hawd Pastoral; Addun Pastoral; Coastal Deeh Pastoral
   - 1 Agropastoral: Central Agropastoral – Cowpea Belt

9. **Nugaal, Bari and North Mudug: Livelihood Zones: (5)**
   - 5 Pastoral Livelihoods: Hawd Pastoral; Northern Inland Pastoral goat/sheep and camel; Addun Pastoral; East Golis; Coastal Deeh

10. **Nugaal, Bari and North Mudug: Livelihood Zones: (7)**
    - 5 Pastoral Livelihoods: Hawd Pastoral; Northern Inland Pastoral goat/sheep and camel; East Golis; West Golis and Guban Pastoralists
    - 2 Agropastoral Livelihoods: Togdheer Agropastoral and Northwest Agropastoral (Awdal and W/Galbeed
Regional Analysis: detailed plans for referencing and planning purpose

- Dates: 28 July - 3 August 2019 (7 days);
- Northwest July 28 -31/2019
- Northwest July 28 -31/2019

Venues

- Mogadishu: (South and Central regions)
- Hargeisa: (Northwest regions)
- Garowe : (Northeast regions)
- All team analysis (Mogadishu, August 5 – 17/2019)

Urban Rapid Assessment in the South

- Dates: June 11 - 18, 2019 (7- 8 days for rapid assessment)
- Regions to cover: in most of the country about 17/ 18 regions
- Three districts to be covered in each region
- Total districts covered are 52 across the country
- FGDs with poor households: 10 in each district, i.e. a total of 30 FGDs in each region, but Lower Juba and lower Shabelle will be covered only 20 and 40 FG respectively
- The total number of FGD questionnaires to be filled: 520
- Accessibility: 36 districts are accessible, 14 districts inaccessible
- Mogadishu and Kismayo household survey


ACTION POINT(S):

Partners should engage and participate in the seasonal assessments
FSNAU to also present the timeline at regional meetings to ensure wider awareness

### 3. 2019 FSC monthly response analysis for March, April $ May by Bernard Mrewa (WFP/FSC)

A total of 24 partners reported various FSL activities in May 2019. Below is a breakdown of the achievements per objective:

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<td><strong>Improved Access to Food and Safety Nets (IASN)</strong></td>
<td>2019</td>
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<td><strong>Livelihood Assets</strong></td>
<td>2019</td>
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<td>2019</td>
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<th>Objective</th>
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<th>Consolidated partner plans</th>
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<td>Improved Access to Food &amp; Safety Nets (IASN)</td>
<td>2,279,947</td>
<td>1,879,225</td>
<td>82%</td>
<td>All Regions except Middle Juba</td>
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<td>Livelihoods Seasonal Inputs Agriculture support</td>
<td>847,378</td>
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<td>Livelihoods Seasonal Inputs Livestock support</td>
<td>1,573,120</td>
<td>2,590,968</td>
<td>107%</td>
<td>16 Regions - Awdal, Bakool, Banadir, Bari, Bay, Galgadud, Hiran, Gedo, L. &amp; M. Shabelle, Mudug, Nugaal, Sanaag, Sool, Togdheer, Wqooyi Galbeed</td>
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<td>Livelihood Assets (conditional transfers)</td>
<td>1,596,281</td>
<td>149,583</td>
<td>9%</td>
<td>13 Regions - Awdal, Bakool, Banadir, Galgadud, Bari, Hiraan, L. Shabelle, Mudug, Nugaal, Sanag, Sool, Togdheer, Wqooyi Galbeed</td>
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**Response Analysis:** Approximately 2.28 million people per month in unconditional most population in IPC 3 and 4. A further breakdown is as follows:

v) The number of people receiving unconditional assistance improved from approximately 750,000 in April to slightly over 1.2 million in May representing 53% of the revised June to September 2019 target.

vi) The response is not to the level of the need – and the cluster requests partners to improve on the responses.

vii) Less than 40% of the target reached in Lower & Middle Juba, Lower Shabelle, Galgadud, Mudug and Nugaal.

**LIIN Response Analysis:** About 220,000 beneficiaries / month on average (9% of the target) conditional transfer response. Both in cash and in-kind.

**LIAS Response Analysis:** Under this objective 1.6 million beneficiaries per season assisted following harsh weather conditions during the Gu season (April - May 2019) season:

viii) Average of 28% reached Apr-May.

ix) Increasing trend but low

**Below is a breakdown of the planned responses per objective for June to September:**

**ACTION POINT(S)**
- Partners should timely report their activities to the FSC to ensure comprehensive needs, coverage and gaps analysis
- There is need for partners to scale up across all response objectives: current response remains below the targets
## Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) & Cluster Review Committee (CRC) Election Results by Nancy Koech (FAO/FSC)

### The table below summarizes the SAG Results 2019

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<td>SHILCON</td>
<td>Abshir Ali Muse</td>
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5. Update on joint Strategic Group and Cluster Review Committee and Humanitarian Programme Cycle (HPC) 2020 by Mulugeta Shibru (FAO/FSC)

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<td>CERF and SHF allocation</td>
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<td>Response plan</td>
<td>Identify and share a list of hard to reach areas in Somalia</td>
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| Harmonized food security assessment tools progress and ways forward | Share the training report  
|                                                         | Provide refresher training  
|                                                         | Encourage utilization of the tool during assessments  
|                                                         | Identify one location and lead an assessment using the harmonized tools |
| HPC 2019 (timeline and requirements)                   | Dissemination of the HPC timeline                                     |
| Community based targeting guidelines                   | Share with SAG – for review and recommendations                        |
| CCPM result and follow up action plan                  | Share with SAG - for review and recommendations                        |
| Priorities of the FSC for 2019                         | Share with SAG - priorities and targeting logic for their comments on inclusion of IPC 2 |

<p>| SHF profile review by CRC member                      | Proposals submitted by the CRC organizations shall be reviewed by the cluster coordinators, lead agencies and OCHA only. |</p>
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<th>SAG tentative meeting schedule for 2019</th>
<th>SAG quarterly meeting plan/calendar developed.</th>
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**Joint AIMWG TOR**
- Share revised AIMWG ToR for review and endorsement
- Recommend FSC organizations for inclusion in the working group

**Integrated programming (inter-cluster training package)**
- Advocate for integrated programming funds
- Build partners’ capacity on integrated response
- Create communicate messaging on integrated response and share
- Food Basket/Voucher basket – Add a component of nutrition e.g. fresh vegetables/fruits
- Conduct joint multi cluster meetings quarterly
- Harmonised food security assessment tool be expanded to include other sectors

The illustrations below summarize 2019 Somalia HPC Timeline including the data collection – JMCNA and other assessments, and HRP Process.

Source: UN OCHA
Below is the summary table for SHF and CERF Allocation

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<th>Total SHF budget</th>
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<td>Total FSC budget</td>
<td>$1.5M (19%)</td>
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**Objectives**

1. To improve access to food
2. To protect and restore livelihoods

1. Improved access to food and safety nets
2. Emergency agricultural support to agro-pastoralist and riverine farmers (households) in Hiraan

**Activities**

Unconditional transfers (food assistance and cash) and conditional transfers (cash-for-work for small-scale infrastructure repairs).

Provision of seasonally appropriate agricultural inputs (seeds, farm tools, training, land preparation and irrigation support) for upcoming Deyr season – support for breadbasket areas

1. Provision of immediate life-saving relief assistance through unconditional cash-based transfer to 165,000 people (or 27,500 households) vulnerable Somalis in crisis and emergency (IPC 3 and 4)
2. Provision of emergency agricultural support to 10,100 agro-pastoralist and riverine farmers (households /60,478 beneficiaries)

**Area of focus**

**Bay:** Dinsoor, Rural Baidoa villages, Bakool: Ceel Baardhe, Xudur

**Lower Shabelle:** Marka, Wanlaweyne,

**Bay:** (Badioa, Burkhababa, Dinsor)

**Hiraan:** (Belet Weyne, Bulo Burto and Jalalaqsi)
Strategic Goals of the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation

- Increase agriculture production
- Improve and rehabilitate productive agricultural infrastructure
- Strengthen institutional capacity of MOAI

Milestones and Activities in 2019

1. To increase agricultural production and strengthen institutional capacity of the national and state ministries of Agriculture and Irrigation
   - Distributing quality seeds to two hundred (200) farmers to increase the quality Maize, Rice & Cowpea seeds
   - Training 15,000 farmers
   - Training 26 farmers on modern technology for banana production (tissue culture technology)
   - To establish effective research Centres and extension services
   - To strengthen former Agricultural cooperatives
   - To rehabilitate Federal Ministry of Agriculture headquarter

2. To prepare plant protection law, National Irrigation, Fertilizers, Pesticides and food security policies
   - Preparing plant protection law and its strategy
   - Preparing agriculture fertilizers & pesticides policies
   - Preparing food security policy

3. To improve and launch export for local crops such as sesame, banana and lemon to join the international market
   - Supporting cooperatives and providing agricultural equipment and materials
   - Providing technical assistance to Somalia agricultural regulatory systems to improve inspection and export market compliance
   - Improving and enhancing Value addition of locally produced commodities
   - Establishing national agricultural commodity market data and information exchange access and retrieval system

4. To build and rehabilitate primary and secondary canals, culverts, sluice gates, and Hawadley water reservoir for sustainable irrigation purpose
   - Assessing and rehabilitating the broken river banks along the Shabelle and Jubba Rivers
   - Rehabilitating 454 km of canals & 30 culverts and 10 sluice gates
   - Rehabilitating Hawadley water reservoir and Sabun main canal
Key findings

- Need to strengthen policies and guidelines
- Need to train field staff
- Need to enhance centrality of AAP in project design

Strengthen communication with the affected populations

- Develop guidelines on information sharing
- Consult with affected population and enhance participation
- Continuously enhance feedback/complaints mechanisms including hotlines and closing the loop

Moving forward

- Planning 2 Gender training sessions for partners in Somalia targeting proposal developers and Gender focal points on Gender analysis and the new Gender with Age Marker in collaboration with UNOCHA.
- Conduct follow up on Community-Based Targeting roll out and revise the C-BT Guidelines.

AOB

i) Partners highlighted that recently published MEB rates appear low for some regions. It also appears that some FSC partners have not been able to engage with the Cash working group: thus, would not have been privy to the underlying considerations. The main recommendation was to take necessary steps to ensure partners are engaged in the cash working group discussions.

Actions Points:

a) The FSC will share the mailing list of FSC partners with the Cash working group to ensure wider dissemination of CWG meeting invitations, minutes etc.

b) The FSC members to participate in the CWG using the online platforms (e.g. ZOOM platform) set up by the CWG

c) FSC to inform the CWG about the issues raised by some partners as pertains the MEB rates.

ii) Next FSC meeting will be held in the last week of August 2019.

For further meeting details, please refer to the already shared presentations.

Source: Somalia FSC - June 2019