



**FSC PARTNERS MEETING MINUTES**  
**19<sup>th</sup> October 2021**  
**Mode: Virtual - Zoom**

***Meeting Agenda:***

1. Opening Remarks (MoAI, MoHADM and MoL)
2. HNO and HRP updates
3. FSC Response updates
4. Updates from SWALIM
5. Complaint and Feedback Mechanism – Ground Truth Solutions
6. Agriculture Technical Working Group Updates
7. Livestock Technical Working Group Updates
8. AOB

***Action Points***

- FSC to follow up with partners on HFA reporting in the next couple of months.

**1. Opening Remarks**

Mr Qasim from the Ministry of Agriculture opened the meeting. He applauded the cluster partners for their engagement and cooperation and being committed to the cluster meetings.

**2. HNO/ HR Processes**

- I. The FSC Co-Coordinator updated the partners on the 2022 humanitarian needs and the response planning. Current people in need are as given below

**CURRENT NO. OF PEOPLE IN NEED:**

Non-IDPs	IDPs	Refugees	Returnees	Total
2.3 m	1.2 m	31,000	132,00	3.5m

II. The severity of needs is as explained below:

SEVERITY OF NEEDS (%)		
Catastrophic	Extreme	Severe
0%	18%	82%

**III. FSC Cluster Objectives**

To respond to the needs above, FSC set targets as follows:

**FSC Objective 1: To present loss of life by improving access to food** - targets 3.1 million people in IPC phase 3 and 4 in accessible areas in 64 districts facing severe acute food insecurity.

- **FSC Objective 2: FSC objective: To protect livelihoods and related food sources- Targets** r 840 000 farmers, pastoralists, agro-pastoralists and 160 000 rural IDPs in 61 districts. These includes all riverine, agropastoral and pastoral populations and 50% of IDPs, in accessible rural areas.

**Response Planning: Next steps**

**Dates: End of October/Early November**

- Call for proposal shared with partners
- Project upload by partners
- FSC downloads proposals
- Review of proposal by SRC
- Recommend/reject proposals



The presentation on the HNO/HRP can be accessed by clicking the link below:  
[https://fscluster.org/sites/default/files/documents/fsc\\_presentation-partners\\_meeting\\_19th\\_oct\\_2021\\_hno\\_and\\_hrp\\_process.pdf](https://fscluster.org/sites/default/files/documents/fsc_presentation-partners_meeting_19th_oct_2021_hno_and_hrp_process.pdf)

### 3. FSC response updates

- FSC partners have managed to assist beneficiaries as follow below for the 2 objectives

	Sept Actuals	Oct-Dec'21 Target	Funded and likely to be funded
Improve access to food	2.25 M	3.1 M	2.8 M
Protect livelihoods	47,000	1.1 M	303,000

- For objective 1 there were 17 partners responding while in objective 2 there were 12 partners who have reported responses.

**NB:** To access the detailed presentation from FSC click the link below:

[https://fscluster.org/sites/default/files/documents/fsc\\_response\\_update.pdf](https://fscluster.org/sites/default/files/documents/fsc_response_update.pdf)

### 4. SWALIM Update

SWALIM briefed the participants on the Deyr season and drought conditions in Somalia:

- Deyr rains have started and have continued to spread in space and time. Moderate to heavy rains recorded in Puntland and Somaliland in the first week of October
- Southern parts also continue to record rains but with below normal amounts with many parts having did not receive any amounts.
- More rains are required to meet the deep ground water deficit in many parts across the country.
- Available forecasts indicate that rainfall will likely continue through the end of November and will likely cover more parts of the country, including northern and

central regions. However, cumulative rainfall amounts through the end of October and November are expected to remain below average in most parts of Somalia.

- **Drier than usual conditions** are expected over the southern and few areas in the north in the second half of October.
  - Shabelle River is currently within normal
  - Juba River levels are slightly below normal
- Drought Conditions**
- Drought analysis from 2000 to March 2021 shows that Somalia has been experiencing **cyclic droughts every five to six years**: 2000/2001, 2004/2005, 2010/2011, 2016/2017 and currently in 2020/2021.
  - The Southern parts of the country that had remained in moderate drought conditions in the previous months are now facing moderate to severe drought due to further depletion of the limited resources in the areas.
  - Drought impacts are worse in Jubaland, Southwest state, GalMudug ( central regions) and parts of Puntland which have suffered from consecutive seasons of poor rainfall.
  - The SWALIM presentation is available on the link below:  
[https://fscluster.org/sites/default/files/documents/climate and drought update 19 oct 2021-fsc.pdf](https://fscluster.org/sites/default/files/documents/climate_and_drought_update_19_oct_2021-fsc.pdf)

## 5. Complaint Feedback Mechanism- Ground Truth Solutions

- **Ground Truth Solutions** updated the partners on Accountability to affected populations, Accountability in action (AiA) and the planned engagements going forward
- For the full presentation click on the link:<https://fscluster.org/sites/default/files/documents/groundtruth.pdf>

## 6. Agriculture Technical Working Group Updates

- The agriculture Technical Working Group provided updates covering coordination meetings organized by the working group, areas of advocacy and deliberations in the next couple of months. More info on the presentations can be accessed here.

<https://fscluster.org/sites/default/files/documents/atw.pdf>

## 7. Livestock Technical Working Group



- The livestock Technical Working Group provided a general introduction of the WG. The livestock sector is under the federal ministry of Livestock, Forestry, and rangeland. The policies and strategies developed, policies under process, ongoing activities and projects, the current drought, and the most hit regions.
- The main challenges faced by the LTWG are as follows:
  - Lengthy wait for reagents and kits from international donors like FAO, IGAD/ICPALD and other donors after blood sample collection from livestock in areas where problems have been reported
  - Lack capacity building programs for MoLFR staff
  - Lack of information sharing from INGOs and LNGOs which are implementing livestock projects
- *Way forward*
  - Collecting blood samples from animals in the areas where problems reported
  - Reporting to the international partners. For more info click the link below: [https://fscluster.org/sites/default/files/documents/fsc\\_partners\\_meeting\\_-\\_19\\_oct\\_2021\\_final.pdf](https://fscluster.org/sites/default/files/documents/fsc_partners_meeting_-_19_oct_2021_final.pdf)

#### **8. AOB**

FSC requested partners to report on humanitarian food assistance (HFA) sheet when submitting the monthly 3W report.