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FOOD SECURITY CLUSTER

Strengthening Humanitarian Response

TARGETING TRAINING UPDATE

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BACKGROUND



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2018 Humanitarian Response Plan places **Centrality of Protection** at the heart of Humanitarian efforts.

Food Security actors and others challenged to **identify and address** differential forms of exclusion.

Food Security Cluster begins a **process of developing Targeting Guidelines** through consultations with food security actors and community elders.

By end of February 2018 a total of **159 field staff and 100 elders** had been met.

April 2018 **Community Based Targeting Guidelines for Somalia** released.

May 2018 **Dissemination begins** in three phases.



THE ROLLOUT

Phase 1:

- a). Gedo Region Dollow 22 participants.
- b). Bay Region Baidoa 21 participants.

43 field staff

Phase 2:

- a). Nugal Region Garowe 19 participants.
- b). Galgadud Region Galkayo 12 participants. 15 Elders.
- c). Mudug Region Galkayo North 11 participants. 15 Elders.
- d). Bari Region Bosaso 16 participants. 18 Elders.

58 field staff and **48 elders.**



KEY MESSAGES

- ❑ Assistance if misused has a potential to lead to serious protection and accountability issues.
- ❑ Assistance can be used as a tool for exploitation
- ❑ Assistance can be used as a tool for discrimination and hence denial of access.
- ❑ The Draft 2018 Sphere Handbook Food Security and Nutrition Standard 5:3 Targeting, Distribution and Delivery emphasizes that Food assistance (CBA) targeting and distribution should be **responsive, timely, transparent** and **safe**.
- ❑ Protection and accountability **principles and standards** should be **built into the design of targeting systems and processes** to promote safety, dignity, access, participation, transparency, feedback and complaints, rights and entitlements.
- ❑ A targeting system must take into account the existing governance and power structures in the targeted populations state and communities.



KEY ISSUES

1. **Low turn** out due to mobilization challenges, in some areas like Galkayo North the vice co-ordinator relocated to Garowe.
2. **Low participation by women staff.** Out of the 58 staff training in phase II 15 (25.8%) were women (Garowe 1, Galkayo South 4, Galkayo North 7, Bosaso 3). This is low and we wish to encourage agencies to nominate more women.
3. **Sharing/re-distribution of assistance** is a common practice among the Somali community. However, it should be noted that this further reduces food security, causes undernutrition, disease susceptibility due to poor feeding and care practice.
4. **Developing and supporting community institutions** needs signification staff time, skills and resources.
5. Challenges of **need vs available resources** in relation to Targeting. In Bosaso the elders requested to be involved in the reduction of number.

WHAT PARTICIPANTS SAID



- 1) The training was **relevant** to my job (80.9%)
- 2) I will **recommend** this training to other field staff to improve skills in targeting. (83.5%)
- 3) The **facilitators** were good communicators and had knowledge on the topic of targeting. (79.6%)
- 4) The **Content** of the training was sufficient. (72.4%)
- 5) The **agenda** of the training and the flow of the programme was well paced. (71.4%)

MEETING THE ELDERS



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RECOMMENDED ACTION

- ❑ Encourage **participation by women** staff in the targeting training.
- ❑ **Strengthen local capacities** on targeting to ensure that vulnerability is not just understood but seen to include the most vulnerable segments of the community.
- ❑ Agencies should **ensure adequate protection** that is; **safety, dignity** and **access** by the affected populations.
- ❑ Measures need to be put in place (where such measures haven't been put) to ensure there is **two way communication**, there is **meaningful participation** and that there is **safe and responsive feedback handling mechanisms**.
- ❑ There is need for **concerted efforts** as the number of IDPs continue to rise, in ensuring that **environmental issues** are addressed to ensure that response activities do not further impact the environment negatively.



THANK YOU!