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## Government continues peace and reconciliation process to return IDPs in Gedeo and Guji zones

The Federal Government of Ethiopia together with the Oromia and SNNP regional authorities is working on finding a lasting solution to the IDP crisis in Gedeo and West Guji zones. For this, the Aba Gadas (traditional leaders) from both West Guji (Oromia) and Gedeo (SNNP) zones, have continued convening a series of peace and reconciliation conferences since 28 July to realize a voluntary return of IDPs to their places of origin. In West Guji, the majority of IDPs have already returned from all the six woredas except Kercha woreda where only 35 per cent have returned to their places of origin according to NDRMC. In Gedeo zone of SNNP region, woreda officials are finalizing a comprehensive return and rehabilitation plan that will inform the required investment for immediate life-saving and recovery needs of returning IDPs. On 10 August 2018, NDRMC confirmed that all returns will respect humanitarian principles of safety, dignity, voluntariness and sustainability. While it is necessary to follow up on evolving needs as more IDPs start returning, Government and partners need to continue their scaled-up response to address the still significant gaps in identified IDP sites in both zones.

Figure 1 Figure 1 IDPs at TVT site of Gedeb woreda want to return home soon if peace and security is guaranteed. Photo credit: OCHA Ethiopia

### **FIGURES**

Affected population	7.88 m		
MAM	3.5 m		
SAM	350,000		
# of people displaced due to conflict	1.1 m		
# of people displaced due to			
climatic shocks	0.5 m		

### US\$1.658 billion

**FUNDING** 

Requirement for 2018 Ethiopia Humanitarian and Disaster Resilience Plan

### US\$117.7 million

Requirement for the Gedeo-West Guji conflict IDPs assistance for six months.

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- The Ethiopian
   Humanitarian Fund
   (EHF) allocates US\$30
   million for immediate
   life-saving
   interventions.
- UK announces £27million in support of IDP response.

# The Ethiopian Humanitarian Fund (EHF) allocates US\$30 million for immediate lifesaving interventions

The EHF issued its third allocation for the year through the Reserve Window for \$30 million to respond to the highest priorities identified in the 'Ethiopia Immediate Humanitarian Funding Priorities' issued on 3 August. Immediate and lifesaving activities in Nutrition (\$10m), Health (\$4.5m), WaSH (\$3.5m), Agriculture/Livestock (\$1.5m), ES/NFI (\$3m), Education (\$0.5m) and Protection (\$1m) sectors are prioritized. An allocation of \$6 million is dedicated to responding to the Gedeo and Guji displacement with priorities to be determined by the Emergency Operation Centers (EOCs). The allocation will go to support the priority requirements outlined in the Prioritization Statement, including averting pipeline breaks, expansion of mobile health and nutrition teams in IDP-hosting areas, provision of the highly needed ES/NFI kits, and contributing to the protection of core-breeding and milking livestock. The Reserve allocation is based on \$11.1 million funding in hand and a pledged contribution of \$24.2 million. Disbursement to partners will be made as per actual transfer/deposit of donor contributions.

Meanwhile, the process for the secondround standard allocation which was launched in July for \$23 million is under finalization. A total of 44 project proposal were supported for the prioritized sectors of Agriculture, nutrition, WaSH, Health, ES/NFI, and Protection/ Site Management Support.

In 2018, the EHF allocated \$38.7 million in the first and second round standard allocations supporting critical life-saving sectors of nutrition, health, WaSH, agriculture/livestock, education, and protection.

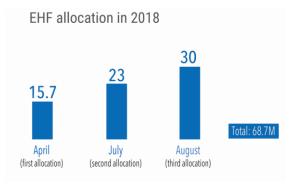


Figure 2 EHF allocation in 2018

## United Kingdom announces £27million in support of IDP response

Out of the £115 million support by the United Kingdom to help Ethiopia transition from aid, £27 million goes to an additional humanitarian funding in response to a recent increase in need. The funding will provide vital lifesaving support to up to a million people across the country, most of whom have fled their homes as a result of conflict within Ethiopia. This will include urgently needed supplies of blankets, shelter, hygiene kits, and specially-nutritious food for malnourished children and a variety of much-needed support in the areas of health, WaSH, nutrition, safeguarding (protection), and food security according to a press statement by the UK Government.

During her recent visit to Ethiopia, the International Development Secretary, Penny Mordaunt, visited a camp for internally displaced people in Ethiopia and saw first-hand how the UK's flexible response is currently providing an uplift in basic lifesaving support for almost a million people. Please read the press release: https://bit.ly/2vuoOqr

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- \$277.5 million urgently required to fill the total 'top priority' funding gaps
- Gov't dispatching food and non-food items to 50,000 to IDPs in Jigjiga, Somali region
- Ethiopia launches an integrated measles, vitamin A, and deworming campaign for IDPs in Gedeo and Guji Zones

## \$277.5 million required for prioritized humanitarian needs in the coming three months

A total of \$277.5 million is urgently required to address a prioritized humanitarian needs in the coming three months according to Ethiopia Immediate Humanitarian Funding Priorities released by humanitarian partners on 3 August 2018. The prioritization document identified response priorities and the most-critical funding gaps in the context of the Humanitarian and Disaster Resilience Plan (HDRP). Food (70.1M), WaSH (62.5M), NFIs (53.7M) and Nutrition (45.5M) are sectors with the highest needs. This prioritization is framed around two types of crisis: a slow onset food security crisis, exacerbated by two years of consecutive droughts and lack of recovery, and rapid emergencies induced by conflict, diseases outbreaks, and floods. For more on this, please read: https://bit.ly/2vl8CSw

### Gov't dispatching food and non-food items to 50,000 IDPs in Jigjiga, Somali region

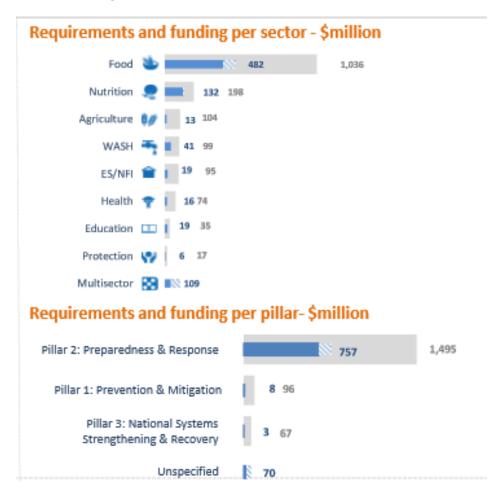
Upon request by the Ethiopian Somali region for support to some 50, 000 persons affected by the recent violence in Jigjiga town, the National Disaster Risk Management Commission (NDRMC) dispatched 4,000 quintals of rice, 2000 quintals of CSB, 80 quintals of oil, and 2000 cartons of biscuit. NDRMC also dispatched NFI kits for 1,500 most vulnerable households in the town. The Ethiopian Red Cross (ERC) will continue providing water trucking service at Michael Church. ERC also established CTC/ mini-clinic/ medical supplies and they are providing ambulance services. Other partners on the ground are reviewing available resources and will start distribution through the emergency command center.

# Ethiopia launches an integrated measles, vitamin A, and deworming campaign for IDPs in Gedeo and Guji Zones

A press release by WHO revealed that the Ethiopian Ministry of Health had launched a preventive measles vaccination campaign to immunize 1,444,000 children aged 6 months to 15 years among the internally displaced and host communities in Gedeo Zone of SNNP region (928 000) and in West Guji zone of Oromia region (516 000). The campaign that is ongoing from 5-18 August 2018 involves administering vitamin A to children aged six months to five years and deworming of children aged two to five years.

Meanwhile, 48 Health professionals from one hospital and 24 health centers of West Guji zone were trained between 6-8 August 2018 to treat severely malnourished IDP children under five at current sites and will continue service at their places of origin when they return.

### Ethiopia: 2018 HDRP Funding Update (as of 10 August 2018)



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