

COVID-19 UPDATES



GENERAL SITUATION

- As of March 28, the Federal Ministry of Health reported that there were 1,828 confirmed cases of COVID-19, including 72 deaths and 310 recovered cases. Majority of cases are in the Banadir region, however, there are increasing numbers in Somaliland, Puntland, Galmudug, Hirshabelle, South West State and Jubaland.
- The Federal Government of Somalia and member states continue to take necessary measures to mitigate the spread and impact of COVID-19 in Somalia.
- Millions of school children are out of the physical classroom due to closure of schools. However, some states have reported alternate learning through different means such radio, TV and internet.

RESPONSE PLANS AND PRIORITIES

- Scale up preventive measures to limit the spread of the disease in close collaboration with the Federal Government and member states with health services and community engagement to reduce transmission and limit the spread of COVID-19.
- Provision of continued access to education through distance learning opportunities as well as support schools to implement prevention measures to minimize transmission of COVID-19.
- Adapt existing reporting referral mechanisms for child protection (complaints response mechanism).

- Enhance food security for most vulnerable children and their families using market-based approaches to strengthen the local economy. This will include provision of cash vouchers and food distribution etc.

ADRA'S RESPONSE

- Partnered with Federal Government and member states through the Ministry of Health and partners in response to COVID-19 to sensitize communities.

2.9 million people
with a budget of

US \$ 1.1 million

- Running media campaigns in radio and TV to sensitize people on COVID-19.
- Dissemination of behaviour change communication such as fliers, billboards, and community health mobilizers.
- Re-programming resources to enhance behaviour change, strengthen health capacity and respond to immediate basic needs such as hygiene kits.
- Continue working with government and health offices to establish gaps and needs.
- Social media activities continue to amplify ADRA's work and the crucial support of donors and partners.

PROJECTS RESPONSE



Education Cannot Wait (ECW)

- **FOCUS:** Ensures Continuity of Learning in Somalia During and After COVID-19 Emergency. Partnering with the Ministry of Education, Culture and Higher Education (MOECHE).
- **BUDGET:** \$800,000.
- **DURATION:** 6 months (May-Sept).
- **LOCATIONS:** Galmudug, Hirshabelle, Jubbaland, Banadir and South West States of Somalia.
- **REACH:** 23,000 learners in internally displaced settlements, vulnerable hosts, and rural communities.
- **DONOR:** Education Cannot Wait.



Strengthening Education and Training in Somalia (SETS)

- **FOCUS:** Teachers' salaries support during the period of schools' closure. Health and Hygiene messages to mitigate covid-19.
- **BUDGET:** \$100,000.
- **DURATION:** 4 months (May-August).
- **LOCATIONS:** Southwest state, Jubbaland, Galmudug, Hirshabelle, Banadir Regional Administration (BRA).
- **REACH:** 20,000 (40% girls).
- **DONOR:** European Union.

Education in Emergencies (EiE)

- **FOCUS:** Messaging, salaries for teachers to cope with the situation.
- **BUDGET:** \$100,000.
- **DURATION:** 2 months (May-June).
- **LOCATIONS:** Jubbaland.
- **REACH:** 10,357 (45% girls).
- **DONOR:** ECHO.



Educate Girls, End Poverty (EGEP-T)

- **FOCUS:** Messaging and hygiene kits.
- **BUDGET:** \$60,000.
- **DURATION:** 2 months (May-June).
- **LOCATIONS:** Somaliland.
- **REACH:** 9,300 female learners.
- **DONOR:** DFID (CARE partnership).





Strengthening Equity, Access & Quality in Education—SEAQE2

- **FOCUS:** Production of foot operated water and soap dispenser for hand washing in Partnership with Kismayo Technical Institute. Messaging and support with sanitation material to prevent COVID-19.
- **BUDGET:** \$4,020.
- **DURATION:** 3 months (May-July).
- **LOCATIONS:** Jubbaland Banadir Regional Administration.
- **REACH:** 5000 beneficiaries.
- **DONOR:** NORAD.



RESTORE

- **FOCUS:** Employed 13 health professional workers recommended by the Ministry of Health at regional level to spread key awareness and prevention messages on COVID-19. The health workers were each equipped with megaphones. Installed hand washing facilities with soap and water at strategic market and health centres in the targeted village
- **BUDGET:** \$6000.
- **DURATION:** 2 months (May-June).
- **LOCATION:** Somaliland.
- **REACH:** 186,000 people from 31,000 households in Lascanod targeting IDPS, pastoralists and communities in 12 villages.
- **DONOR:** European Union and in collaboration with SIDA under the SomReP consortium.

WASH Service Delivery Improvement (SOWASDIP) project

DURATION: 2 months (April-May).

BUDGET: \$50,000.

Jubbaland (Kismayo) and Puntland (Garowe) IDP camps

- **FOCUS:** Supported health facilities and government institutions with soap and hand sanitizers. 28,000 pieces of soap and 200 litres of hand sanitizers were distributed.
- **REACH:** 4,600 households (27,600 people).

Puntland

- **FOCUS:** In partnership with Somali Broadcasting Corporation in Puntland Airing of COVID-19 awareness and preventive messages 3 times a day.

- **REACH:** 1.2 million people.

Southwest State

- **FOCUS:** In collaboration with the South West State Ministry of Health, conducted outreach campaigns and distribution of soaps and sanitizers.

- **REACH:** 12,000 people in IDP camps and host community.

Bay, Bakool and Lower Shabelle regions

- **FOCUS:** In partnership with Baidoa Media Cooperation, we are airing awareness and prevention messages through the radio three times a day.

- **REACH:** Targeting approximately 1.5 million people in eight districts.

Somaliland

- **FOCUS:** Handed over 100 cartons of soap (114 pieces of soap each) to the Ministry of Health. The hand over was aired on SAABTV. Mounted three billboards in the big cities in Somaliland.

- Airing of COVID-19 awareness and prevention messages through the National TV.

REACH: 2,300 households.



DONORS

ADRA continues to coordinate and collaborate closely with the Federal Government and member states through the Ministry of Health and partners to appropriately respond to COVID-19. We continue to monitor the situation as we engage with our donors and partners to collectively address the emerging issues.

