

SHF Reserve Floods response (Bay, Hiran, Middle Shabelle)



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1. Allocation summary

This document lays out the approach to allocate US\$10.65 million from the Somalia Humanitarian Fund (SHF) Reserve for flood response in Bay, Hiran and Middle Shabelle regions. The SHF allocation will support priority life-saving humanitarian interventions by the non-governmental partners present in the targeted areas.

2. Context

Since end-October, persistent heavy rainfall in Somalia has caused flooding in low-lying areas along the Shabelle and Juba rivers. The worst-affected locations are Belet Weyne (Hiran), Baidoa and Berdale (Bay) and parts of Middle Shabelle. As of 5 November, 547,000 have been impacted of whom 370,000 are displaced. Infrastructure, farmlands and roads have been destroyed, livelihoods disrupted, and houses inundated in many locations. In Belet Weyne, where 68 per cent of the town is inundated, the rains have displaced 273,000 people and left others isolated or trapped in the town and surrounding villages. In Middle Shabelle, Jowhar and Mahaday districts, floods have damaged more than 10,000 hectares of cropland. In Bay's Baidoa district, over 80 per cent of IDP shelters cannot withstand heavy rains and accompanying wind. Some of the settlements are flooded increasing the risk of diseases such as malaria and acute watery diarrhoea (AWD). According to the forecast from SWALIM, high river levels and flooding in Belet Weyne and other areas along the Shabelle basin are likely to be sustained in the next couple of days. While humanitarians are reprogramming funds to respond to immediate needs of the flood-affected population, major gaps remain with the provision of basic services, particularly under WASH, Shelter/NFI, Health and Food Security clusters. This SHF Reserve allocation will boost the on-going response and complement activities supported by other incoming funding streams, including a CERF floods rapid response grant.

3. SHF response strategy

The following, based on the *SHF principles guiding 2019 allocations*, will apply for this response:

- Prioritization of **direct implementation** through **non-governmental partners**;
- Support for **localization** by channelling SHF funding directly through the eligible SHF national and local partners (if, when and where feasible);
- Continue supporting **integration of response across clusters** and **complementarity with other funding sources**, bilateral funding and, when and where possible, to ensure timely and efficient prioritization in support of a stronger collective response and maximum impact of resources.

The response strategy is designed to boost the ongoing lifesaving assistance and will target the most vulnerable individuals and households in the worst affected-areas as outlined below, through the following approach:

- 1) Integrated response: 37% (\$3.95 million) of the allocation will support four integrated packages:
 - Integrated Health, Nutrition and WASH activities in Belet Weyne
 - Integrated Education/Child Protection package in Belet Weyne
 - Integrated Health/Nutrition interventions in Berdale, Bay region
 - Integrated Shelter/NFI/CCCM in Belet Weyne
- 2) Cluster-specific interventions: up to 63% (\$6.7 million) is set aside for priority activities in Food Security, Shelter/NFI, Protection and WASH clusters. The bulk of resources under this envelope will be channeled to WASH and Shelter/NFI to address the acute needs of those most-affected by the floods.

Table 1: cluster-specific and integrated activities (inputs from cluster coordinators)

Location	Priority activities	Modality/package
Bay (Baidoa, Berdale)	<p>Integrated Health and Nutrition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through roving health and nutrition teams to conduct screening and sensitization on follow-up of treatment to floods affected communities. They will also be engaged with hygiene promotion and diarrhea management. • Awareness raising about the consequences of floods on water sources / malaria prevention and promotion of adequate feeding practices through one on one counselling. • Promoting health nutrition screening at the household and nutrition services to those displaced by floods • Intensify community social mobilization including health risk communication to promote safe water, sanitation and hygiene practices. • To address micronutrients needs - distribution of vitamins and mineral supplements • Provision of immunization services to affected population • Malaria preventions. Provision of antimalarial tablets and LLIN nets. <p>Shelter / NFIs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of emergency shelter kits. • Distribution of NFI kits. • Maintenance of site infrastructure (drain, access road, cleaning etc.) <p>WASH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency sanitation and flood resistant sanitation services • Rehabilitation of existing water systems, including repair, disinfection and protection against further flooding • Hygiene Promotion and Hygiene Kits distribution <p>Market Based Programming as default modality to strengthen local markets</p>	<p>Note: See table 2 for amounts to be allocated. Final envelopes per location / package will be added in the next version.</p> <p>Integrated Health and Nutrition (Berdale)</p> <p>Cluster specific</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelter/NFI (Baidoa) • WASH (Baidoa and Berdale)
Hiran (Belet Weyne, Buloburto, Jalalaqsi)	<p>Integrated Health, Nutrition, WASH (Belet Weyne)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through roving health and nutrition teams to conduct screening and sensitization on follow-up of treatment to floods affected communities. • Awareness raising about the consequences of floods on water sources / malaria prevention and promotion of adequate feeding practices through one on one counselling. • Promoting health nutrition screening at the household and providing basic health/WASH (household water treatment), Hand washing, nutrition services to those displaced by floods • Intensify community social mobilization including health risk communication to promote safe water, sanitation and hygiene practices. • Blanket supplementary feeding in prevention of acute malnutrition for children under two- BSFP assistance delivered through the scope platform; consists in all beneficiaries' registration, assistance top- up, redemption. • To address micronutrients needs - distribution of vitamins and mineral supplements- this to can be very effective if linked with immunizations or health programmes (e.g. vitamin A) we could include IMCI approach at the community • Malaria preventions. provision of LLN mosquito nets. • Install/rehabilitate WASH facilities (latrines, hand washing, clean drinking water and medical waste disposal) and ensure their maintenance in targeted communities, health and nutrition emergency facilities. • Provide families with malnourished children with WASH package (hygiene promotion message, hygiene kit, household water treatment and safe storage) at outreach and health/nutrition facility level, • Promote and enable the adoption of good hygiene and sanitation practices in affected communities, health and nutrition facilities. • Scale up of mass hygiene promotion and hygiene kits distribution for disease outbreak prevention such as AWD/cholera. <p>Integrated Education and Child Protection (Belet Weyne)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment of temporary child friendly spaces at where the flood affected communities displaced to. • Light rehabilitation and furnishing of damaged schools. • Distribution of teaching and learning materials for flood affected learners. • Distribution of recreational materials. • Establish referral system in schools/TLS and community-based Child Protection mechanisms for quick and efficient referrals of children with protection needs. • Provision of community and school based psychosocial support for children (boys & girls), families who are affected by the flood's situation. • Children are referred to appropriate child protection services and follow up is done 	<p>Integrated Health, Nutrition, WASH (for Belet Weyne)</p> <p>Integrated Education and Child Protection (for Belet Weyne)</p> <p>Integrated Shelter/NFI and CCCM (Belet Weyne)</p> <p>Cluster specific</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WASH (Belet Weyne, Buloburto and Jalalaqsi) • Shelter/NFI (Belet Weyne) • FSC • Protection

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring and reporting of Child Protection concerns and violations during and aftermath of displacement situation. • Immediate response for Child and Family separation <p>Integrated Shelter/NFI and CCCM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of emergency shelter kits. • Distribution of NFI kits. • Improve site maintenance. • Ensure people displaced from flood who join existing sites including the protracted displaced particularly vulnerable population women and disables are able to receive the emergency support from service provider. • Emergency relocation support of extremely vulnerable from the existing sites <p>Cluster-specific</p> <p>WASH (Buloburte and Jalalaqsi)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency sanitation and flood resistant sanitation services • Rehabilitation of existing water systems, including repair, disinfection and protection against further flooding • Hygiene Promotion and Hygiene Kits distribution • Market Based Programming as default modality to strengthen local markets <p>FSC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to food through cash or food in-kind. Conditional transfers to repair/rehabilitate productive infrastructure (irrigation canals) once the water start to recede. • Agricultural input (seeds and tools) taking into consideration the type of the soil after the flood recede (subsided)”: • Vector control measures and awareness raising campaign to prevent the risk of animal and human health. <p>Protection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish or strengthening confidential reporting and referral mechanisms which are accessible to women and children, linked to comprehensive response mechanisms for GBV. • Provide medical, legal, livelihood, CBI, dignity kits, solar lanterns, psychosocial support and counselling to GBV survivors, and referral to appropriate services, through partners, government structures and/or Women and Girls Friendly Spaces. • Establish and support of temporary operations of women and girls’ friendly spaces. 	
<p>Middle Shabelle (Jowhar, Mahaday, Balcad)</p>	<p>Shelter/NFI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of emergency shelter kits. • Distribution of NFI kits. <p>WASH (Jowhar, Mahaday)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency sanitation and flood resistant sanitation services • Rehabilitation of existing water systems, including repair, disinfection and protection against further flooding • Hygiene Promotion and Hygiene Kits distribution • Market Based Programming as default modality to strengthen local markets <p>FSC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to food through cash or food in-kind. Conditional transfers to repair/rehabilitate productive infrastructure (irrigation canals) once the water start to recede. • Agricultural input (seeds and tools) taking into consideration the type of the soil after the flood recede (subsided)”: • Vector control measures and awareness raising campaign to prevent the risk of animal and human health. <p>Protection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish or strengthening confidential reporting and referral mechanisms which are accessible to women and children, linked to comprehensive response mechanisms for GBV. 	<p>Cluster-specific</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WASH • Shelter/N • FSC • Protection

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Table 2: Allocation envelopes

<i>Package / cluster</i>	<i>SHF amounts (\$)</i>	<i>SHF locations</i>
Integrated H/N/W	1,700,000	Belet Weyne
Integrated Edu/CP	500,000	Belet Weyne
Integrated H/N	400,000	Berdale
Integrated Shelter-NFI/CCCM	1,350,000	Belet Weyne
Food Security	1,400,000	Bay, Hiran, M.Shabelle
Shelter/NFI	1,000,000	Bay, M. Shabelle
Protection	400,000	M.Shabelle, Hiran
WASH	3,900,000	Bay, Hiran, M.Shabelle
Total	10,650,000	

4. Process overview (see also Annex 1: SHF Process Guidelines)

The allocation round uses the *reserve allocation modality*, allowing for a fast-tracked allocation, with strategic prioritization conducted and determined collectively by the Somalia Inter-Cluster Coordination Group (ICCG) and ultimately endorsed by the SHF Advisory Board and the Humanitarian Coordinator. During the strategic prioritization process, cluster coordinators were strongly encouraged to consult and take into consideration inputs from the relevant authorities, while upholding the underlying humanitarian principles of independence, neutrality and impartiality.

The selection of individual partners will be conducted *by package* (see Table 2) and will take into consideration the current SHF eligibility list, operational presence of partners in the prioritized area and their capacity to mount immediate response.

Recommendations will be done by cluster coordinators, in close consultation with OCHA Somalia HFU. Upon consultation (within the specific package), select partners will be invited to submit proposals. The review of submitted integrated projects will be conducted by the inter-cluster review committees, whose composition may be cross-cluster, depending on projects submitted, assessing the proposed interventions by the eligible partner,¹ and strictly against the present allocation strategy. Technical review will follow or may be conducted concurrently by cluster coordinators and OCHA Somalia HFU.

- *Target area*: The selected interventions should focus on specific and defined areas.
- *Direct implementation* is prioritized.

Table 3: Tentative timeline

Date	
22 October	• ICCG discusses and endorses allocation approach
31 October	• Draft response strategy shared with the SHF AB for information
By 8 November	• Clusters tentatively identify partners for submission of proposals
12 November	• Allocation strategy submission to AB for endorsement
Rolling basis	• Submission of SHF projects (IPs)
19 November	• List of recommended projects shared with the SHF AB / HC for final endorsement
Rolling basis	• IPs resubmit proposals, technical review finalized
18 – 29 November	• Grant Agreements signed (HC, IPs) Implementation can start at the time of IP signature
5 December	• Funds disbursed

¹ The updated eligibility list to be published on the SHF website <https://www.unocha.org/somalia/shf/>

Annex 1: SHF Process Guidelines

i. Project submission and prioritisation

- Following the AB and HC's endorsement of this strategy, cluster coordinators will be invited to contact the SHF eligible partners operationally present in the target locations, with capacity to scale up to submit proposals strictly aligned with this strategy.
- Proposals will be selected based on the strategic relevance of their proposed interventions, their technical ability and capacity to absorb the allocated funds, the ability to respond promptly in the priority areas and work closely with cluster coordinators and other partners during the project cycle.
- The SHF eligibility list includes partners that fulfil all of the following three conditions:
 - The partner has **passed the SHF capacity assessment**.
 - The partner's due diligence status in the SHF Grant Management System is **approved**.²
 - The partner has **no outstanding SHF oversight and compliance issues**.
- Full project proposals will be developed and uploaded into the Grant Management System (GMS) by the implementing partners that seek funding (via <https://chfsomalia.unocha.org>). The Cluster Coordinators should, as they are performing their strategic and technical review, advise whether the request is valid and funding should be granted. Requests recommended for approval are subject to technical review by the Humanitarian Financing Unit (HFU/OCHA Somalia) and Funding Coordination Section (FCS/OCHA headquarters).
- Programming must reflect the distinct needs of men, women, boys and girls during the implementation period. As gender issues are manifested in different ways for each cluster, an overarching gender-sensitive approach will be ensured through prioritizing proposals that highlight their strategy towards overcoming obstacles that prevent vulnerable groups from receiving access to lifesaving services. A major focus will be placed on supporting vulnerable groups such as female-headed households, people with disabilities as well as pregnant and lactating women and children between the ages of six months and five years. Protection should be mainstreamed and central to all allocations.
- Organisations that have an ongoing SHF project and apply for the same activities under this allocation should clearly indicate how the new funding will complement the previous SHF project. The decision on funding will be subject to that value of the currently ongoing IP projects, taking into consideration the SHF-assigned risk levels and the relevant thresholds.
- All projects must address life-saving needs of communities most affected by floods. The proposals must be backed by credible data to demonstrate the severity of needs and activities must be interconnected across clusters. Projects should show strong coordination with on-going humanitarian interventions in the same locations.
- Implementing partners must be eligible to receive SHF funding, present in the locations targeted in this allocation round (as per 3Ws or confirmation from clusters/OCHA locally) or have the ability to immediately execute activities in the selected locations.
- Projects should be implemented within 6 months and should not have a budget of less than \$200,000, with larger project budgets strongly encouraged.
- Non-governmental organisations are prioritized for the allocation round. If, when and where feasible, local and national partners will be supported.

² Due diligence is a mandatory process of submission and review of basic documentation by all eligible Somalia Humanitarian Fund (SHF) implementing partners. Partners are required to update the relevant organizational information and documents on focal points, registration certificates, and banking details on a regular basis through the SHF Grant Management System (GMS) in order to apply for SHF funding. Any missing or inaccurate information in the due diligence component may prevent a partner from being considered for funding and can cause delays in the overall SHF allocation and contracting process. **Projects of partners that do not have their due diligence status approved will not be considered for strategic and technical review.**

- Clusters should prioritize the selection of non-governmental partners directly responsible for the implementation of projects. Sub-granting is admissible in exceptional cases only. Sub-granting to SHF eligible partners is not admissible.
- While the primary responsibility to ensure the accountable and efficient use of SHF remains with the implementing partners, SHF will maintain oversight through the application of its accountability tools.

ii. Review of projects

- Project proposals will undergo both a ‘strategic’ and a ‘technical’ review process using the Grant Management System (GMS). The projects will be reviewed on a rolling basis by cluster coordinators and HFU staff.
 - During the Technical Review (technical experts from the relevant cluster and HFU staff), further attention will be paid to the following:
 - The technical soundness/quality of the proposal
 - The financial efficiency of the project
 - The coherence between the narrative, work-plan, log-frame and budget.
 - The complementarity and consistency of projects across sectors, seeking to build synergies with other sectors.
- To ensure timely allocation and disbursement of funds, only three technical revision rounds will be allowed for selected proposals. The partners are required to respond to comments and perform adjustments within the time set at the time of review (usually within 48 hours) and, in case of lack of clarity, be in direct touch with OCHA Somalia HFU (see contact details below) and/or cluster coordinators.

iii. Budgeting and finance

- Projects that can demonstrate ‘value for money’ relative to the project budget should be prioritized. Factors to consider include maximum reach and impact for given cost, outcome and beneficiary reach for each dollar invested, cost effectiveness of the intervention including, minimizing support and overhead costs.
- Projects that can demonstrate low indirect costs as a proportion of direct costs should be ranked favourably.
 - See SHF Operational Manual, *Annex 2 – Budget Guidance (a); and Budget guidance preparation note (b)*.
- To reduce overhead costs, pass through arrangements where organisations simply pass on funding to their implementing partner organisation without providing any meaningful guidance, coordination, capacity building, technical advice, monitoring and evaluation capacities or any other function of additional value will not be funded.
- Partners with submissions across different clusters should ensure that common costs (administrative and operational) are rationalised.
- Partners should adhere to the Country-Based Pooled Funds / SHF basic definitions and guidance including on project budget preparation, use of budget narrative and itemized budgetary breakdowns (see SHF Operational Manual and its annexes).

iv. SHF Operational Manual

For a comprehensive set of rules governing the use of SHF funds, please consult the SHF Operational Manual and its annexes available for download at www.unocha.org/somalia/governance-policy-and-guidance .

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vi. SHF feedback and complaint mechanism

The SHF beneficiaries and other stakeholders are encouraged to provide feedback, complaints or concerns regarding the implementation of SHF-funded projects to the SHF accountability team through phone number **+252 613661199** by way of direct call, voice recording, SMS or WhatsApp.

Complaints regarding the SHF process or decisions can also be brought to the attention of the SHF Manager (kovacm@un.org) or to the attention of OCHA Somalia senior management through the confidential feedback email shf-feedback@ochasomalia.org.

Your feedback will be treated confidentially.

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