Detailed Site Assessment (DSA)

Laasqoray district, Sanaag region, Somalia

CONTEXT

Somalia continues to experience recurrent droughts, floods, and armed conflict, driving large-scale displacement. The high levels of displacement have resulted in fluctuating population estimates of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in both formal and informal settlements, thereby complicating the provision of basic services to address their needs.

The Detailed Site Assessment (DSA) was initiated in coordination with the Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) Cluster in order to provide the humanitarian community with up-to-date information on the location of IDP sites, the conditions and capacity of the sites, and an estimate of the severity of humanitarian needs of residents. Data collection for the current round of the DSA took place from November 2019 to February 2020 and assessed 2,344 IDP settlements in 61 districts across Somalia.

This factsheet presents the findings at district level for the 15 assessed IDP settlements in Laasqoray district, Sanaag, Somalia.

METHODOLOGY

Primary data collection employed a Key Informant (KI) methodology with KI interviews conducted by REACH enumerators in locations directly accessible by REACH Field Officers (FOs) and by CCCM partner organizations. Targeted urban areas within districts were determined based on a secondary literature review of previous assessments conducted on IDP populations. Following the identification of target urban areas, REACH located IDP settlements through contacting the lowest level of governance in each area to identify the locations of IDP settlements.

The severity calculation for the third round of the DSA was developed in close consultation with clusters and partner organisations and updated to improve the quality and reliability of data collected regarding IDP settlement locations, estimated size of resident populations, and the severity of humanitarian needs. The severity score goes from 1-4, with 1 being the least severe and 4 being the most severe. The categories are none/minimal, stress, severe and extreme.

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ASSESSMENT COVERAGE MAP

Laasqoray

SOMALIA

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Summary of severity score*

Overall cluster severity score and severity phase classification at district level:

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For the list of indicators and the severity score calculations, see the annex on this factsheet.

*The analysis methodology was adjusted between 2019 and 2020 in order to align with other multi-sectoral assessments carried out by REACH and other partners. This included adapting the ranking system. Therefore, the results for 2020 cannot be compared directly with the previous years, but can be useful to show the differences between the sectors and districts.

1Previous REACH DSA, JMCNA and CCCM Partner Organization Population Estimates
2District Office, Mayor’s Office, etc.
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#### FOOD SECURITY & LIVELIHOODS (FSL)

**% of sites per FSL severity score:**

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Proportion of sites with no access to food markets, as reported by KIs: 89%

Average time taken to travel to nearest food market, as reported by KIs: 36 minutes

Three most common reported primary sources of food:

- Market purchases: 52%
- Food assistance from NGO aid: 31%
- Own livestock: 9%

Proportion of sites in which the majority of residents reportedly conduct the following livelihood sources:

- Daily wage labour: 37%
- Pastoralism: 27%
- Agriculture: 0%

Proportion of sites where the population was reportedly not able to receive food assistance: 53%

#### HEALTH

**% of sites per health severity score:**

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Proportion of sites with no access to healthcare facilities, as reported by KIs: 96%

Average time to travel to nearest health facility, as reported by KIs: 125 minutes

Proportion of sites where KIs reported women are not able to access skilled personnel while giving birth: 74%

Proportion of sites where the population was reportedly not able to receive healthcare support: 100%

Three most common reported types of health facilities available at sites:

- District hospital: 2%
- Mobile clinic: 2%
- NA: NA

#### NUTRITION

**% of sites per nutrition severity score:**

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Proportion of sites with no access to nutrition services, as reported by KIs: 54%

Average time taken to travel to nearest nutrition service, as reported by KIs: 19 minutes

Proportion of sites reporting nutrition items distributed in the past 3 months:

- Therapeutic and suppl. food: 96%
- MUAC tape: 33%
- Therapeutic milk products: 59%
- Super Cereal Plus: 7%

Proportion of sites where the population was reportedly not able to receive nutrition support: 91%

#### EDUCATION

**% of sites per education severity score:**

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Proportion of sites reportedly having no access to learning facilities: 29%

Average time taken to travel to nearest learning facilities, as reported by KIs: 21 minutes

Reported type of learning facilities available at sites:

- Primary: 27%
- Secondary: 7%
- Quoranic: 58%
- Basic Literacy/ Numeracy Classes: 50%

Average proportion of learning facilities at sites reportedly having no gender segregated latrines: 79%

Average proportion of learning facilities at sites reportedly having no fences and clear demarcation: 81%

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2. Respondents could select multiple options. Applies to all questions with reference ‘4’.
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**PROTECTION**

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<td>Proportion of sites reportedly having no child friendly spaces</td>
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<td>Proportion of sites reportedly having no women spaces</td>
<td>0%</td>
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<td>Proportion of sites where restrictions on movement was reported</td>
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Three most common reported types of safety and security incidents in the 3 months prior to data collection:
- Armed violence: 15%
- Gender based violence: 7%
- Incidents due to UXO: 0%

Three most common reported locations of safety and security incidents in the 3 months prior to data collection:
- In shelters: 7%
- On the way or at water sources: 2%
- On the way or at water sources: 0%

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**SHELTER & NON-FOOD ITEMS (NFIs)**

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<th>Percentage of Sites per Shelter &amp; NFIs Severity Score</th>
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<tr>
<td>Proportion of sites reportedly having no access to markets selling NFIs</td>
<td>91%</td>
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Three most common reported types of NFIs available at markets:
- Plastic sheets: 100%
- Blankets: 100%
- Jerry cans or buckets: 82%

Proportion of sites where KIs reported shelters damaged by fires or floods in the 3 months prior to data collection: 41%

Proportion of sites where the population was reportedly not able to receive shelter and NFI support: 100%

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**WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE (WASH)**

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<td>Proportion of sites reportedly having no access to functioning water sources:</td>
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<td>Average time taken to travel to nearest water source, as reported by KIs:</td>
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<td>Three most common reported primary source of water:</td>
<td>Unprotected well: 42%, Berkad: 21%, Protected well with hand pump: 13%</td>
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<td>The reported types of water treatments were chlorine tablets/aquatabs (19%), boiling (100%), cloth filter (5%) and other kind of filter (membrane, ceramic, or commercial filter) (0%).</td>
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<td>Proportion of sites where the population was reportedly not able to receive water support:</td>
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Sanitation:

- Proportion of sites where KIs reported no access to functioning latrines: 7%
- Proportion of sites where KIs reported open defecation: 62%
- Proportion of sites with toilets in which KIs reported having:
  - Handwashing facilities: 52%
  - Locks on the inside: 44%
  - Internal lighting: 31%
- Proportion of sites where the population was reportedly not able to receive hygiene support: 100%

Average time taken to travel to nearest bathing facility, as reported by KIs: NA

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Footnotes:

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*2* The findings related to a subset of sites where KIs reported having access to latrine.
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Accountability to Affected Populations

Three most common used sources of information, as reported by KIs:
- Radio: 87%
- Friends / neighborhood / family: 62%
- Community / religious leaders: 40%

Three most common sources of information for persons with disabilities, as reported by KIs:
- Word of mouth: 98%
- Posters: 11%
- Meetings in person: 2%

Three most reported problems experienced in the delivery of humanitarian assistance:
- Some population groups not receiving aid: 3%
- Fighting between recipients: 0%
- Not enough for all entitled: 0%

Proportion of sites where KIs reported they have access to a feedback mechanism: 0%

Camp Coordination and Camp Management

Three most common reported site management by % of settlements:
- Local community: 45%
- Local NGO: 34%
- UN agency: 21%

Three most reported established committees by % of settlements:
- Women’s committee: 93%
- Residents’ committee: 92%
- Camp Management Committee: 53%

Proportion of sites reporting to have women present in committees: 98%

Note: The indicators for CCCM and Accountability to Affected Population (AAP) are not part of the severity calculations across the sectors. Hence, the CCCM and AAP sections in this factsheet do not present the severity scores.
ANNEX 1: METHODOLOGY

The indicators and method for calculating the severity scores for each sector were developed in coordination with CCCM partners. The composite indicator for each sector was composed of a set of indicators and a method for scoring these indicators has been developed to evaluate the severity of needs. The scoring of the indicators was based on the responses from the KI interviews. Forty-two (42) indicators were selected to assess the severity of needs across seven sectors. Each indicator was granted a severity score from 1 to 4, with 1 being the least severe and 4 being the most severe. For each sector, the overall score was determined by calculating the median score of all indicators included in the sector. At the national level, the final severity score for each sector was determined by selecting the severity score in which at least 20% of the total proportion of sites fall in.

Indicators per cluster:

**Shelter / NFI:** Access to and availability of NFI and building material in local/nearby markets; Basic NFIs available; Shelter occupation and density; Shelter quality; Shelter & NFI support activities; Security of tenure; Hazards; Public lighting

**WASH:** Access to and availability of functional water sources; Access to and availability of functional toilets; Access to and availability of bathing facilities; Primary; secondary; and domestic water sources; Toilets with locks; Toilets with internal lighting; Toilets with handwashing facilities; WASH support activities; Water treatment; Presence of open defecation; Disposal of solid waste

**Health:** Access to and availability of health facilities; Health services available; Skilled health personnel for women giving birth; Health support activities; Most common health problems

**Nutrition:** Access to and availability of nutrition services; Distribution of nutrition items; Nutrition support activities

**Education:** Access to and availability of learning facilities; Gender segregated latrines; Fences and clear demarcation

**Food Security:** Access to and availability of food markets; Primary and secondary food sources; Food security support received; Land available

**Protection:** Covered spaces; Women spaces; Child-friendly spaces; Types of safety and security incidents; Locations of safety and security incidents; Restrictions to movement

For a more detailed overview of the methodology and a comprehensive list of all the composite indicators that were used, you can access the terms of reference (ToR) [here](#). The indicators and their respective thresholds are included in the annex section of the ToR, page 56-78.