



## Shelter/Non-food items (NFI) Cluster Bulletin Issue 2 – September 2017

### Monthly update

- Funding update** - Of the 33.4 MUS\$ required for the shelter/NFI humanitarian response as set out in the Mid-Year Review of the Humanitarian Requirement Documents, 17.2 MUS\$ have been mobilized (51.5%), in addition to 1.8 MUS\$ carried over from 2016.
- A study on emergency shelter materials and construction in Dolo Bay, Somali region, was conducted under the aegis of the **Technical Shelter working group**, as part of efforts to evaluate the needs of the displaced population in terms of temporary housing solutions.
- The **Shelter/NFI cash working group** pursued its efforts to formalize a cluster approach for cash-based response, with the establishment of a community of good practices and the development of standardized tools & methods, in coordination with the multi-sector OCHA and FH led Cash working group.
- Flood task force** – The cluster remains very engaged in the Flood Task Force to monitor the needs induced by the 2017 *kiremt* season and plan a response accordingly, notably in relation to the risk of overflow of the Awash river.
- Regional coordination** – The cluster coordination is being strengthened in several regions, including Somali where a humanitarian planning workshop was held on 21-22 September and the shelter/NFI response is scaling up, Oromia where several discussions have been engaged with regional authorities on improved information sharing, and Afar where a regional shelter/NFI cluster is being activated.
- Oromia-Somali border conflict response** – Following new clashes along the border in early September, the cluster has been mobilized to assess, monitor and meet the needs of the affected households in both regions simultaneously, based on limited resources available [http://www.sheltercluster.org/sites/default/files/docs/advocacy\\_note\\_shelter\\_nfi\\_cluster\\_conflict\\_response\\_september\\_2017.pdf](http://www.sheltercluster.org/sites/default/files/docs/advocacy_note_shelter_nfi_cluster_conflict_response_september_2017.pdf).



Humanitarian planning workshop in Somali region, September 2017, credit: IOM Ethiopia



Assistance to conflict affected IDPs by the Ethiopian Red Cross Society in Bale zone, Oromia region, September 2017, credit: Ethiopian Red Cross Society



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### Key-figures

In 2017 as of 30 September 2017

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**231,000**

households with shelter/NFI needs

**145,000**

households in Priority 1 Zones

**86,000**

households in Priority 2 Zones



**34**

assessments conducted



**7**

assessments conducted

#### Emergency shelter/NFI kit composition

- 2 tarpaulins
- 1 rope
- 2-3 blankets
- 2 beddings mats
- 2 mosquito nets
- 2-4 plates
- 2-4 cups
- 1 kettle or jug
- 1 cooking pot
- 1 cooking ladle
- 1 washing basin
- 2-3 jerricans
- 10 pieces of soap



**60,492**

Full emergency shelter/NFI kits

kits distributed in 6 regions (including 12,631 ICRC kits)

**900**

kits presently being distributed or allocated for planned distributions

**22,600**

kits in stock and pipeline



**982**

HH cash grants & vouchers distributed



**2,019**

Full ES/NFI kits distributed in 4 regions

## Story from the field – Providing Emergency shelter/NFI life-saving assistance to the most vulnerable IDPs



Following the request from West Hararghe Zone and Gumbi Boredede Woreda Disaster Risk Management Commission (DRMC) to assist 11,700 individuals (including 2,475 women) or 2,310 households, who have been displaced by the clashes along the border between the Somali and Oromia regions and quick verifications, the International Rescue Committee (IRC) distributed 1,130 emergency shelter and non-food item (ES/NFI) kits and 1,065 dignity kits to the most vulnerable households in the ten *kebeles* of Gumbi Boredede *woreda* between the 28<sup>th</sup> of August and the 7<sup>th</sup> of September. This activity was conducted with the support and participation of zonal and *woreda* DRMC and benefited a total of 6,525 conflict-affected children under the age of five, pregnant and lactating women and women of reproductive age. Most of the beneficiaries and stakeholders appreciated IRC's swift and participatory life-saving in-kind assistance, which was funded by OFDA/USAID.

Michael Tuke Ahmed, 30, a father of 4 (1 girl and 3 boys), resides in Funyaa Ajoo *kebele*, Gumbi Boredede *woreda*, West Hararghe Zone. Michael is a disabled person, who lost his home, 10 camels, 5 cows, 10 goats as well as his household utensils such as cooking pots, mats, bed sheets, washing basins and his stock of food (sorghum and 50kg of maize) during the clashes. Ahmed received a ES-NFI kit from IRC. "It is in this situation that IRC has reached out to me and helped me and my family to find our way from death to life", he said. He expressed his gratitude to IRC for their relief assistance.



Asina Umer receiving a ES/NFI kit at Boredede distribution site, September 2017, credit: IRC Ethiopia

Asina Umer, 42, a mother of eight children from Buri Arba Kebele tragically lost her husband in the clashes. Her 10 camels and 14 cows were killed and she became homeless. Asina Umer is one of the beneficiaries who received a ES/NFI kit. "My entire family received a temporary shelter that protects us from the sun and wind storms. We also received blankets and other household utensils like cooking pot, plates and water containers. With IRC's support, I'm no longer worried about the painful sunshine, dust storm and vagaries of displacement", she stated.



IDPs receiving ES/NFI and dignity kits at Boredede distribution site, September 2017, credit: IRC Ethiopia

### Way forward

- 📁 **Upcoming meetings:** At the federal level, the next Shelter/NFI Cash working group meeting will be held on 17 October. The cluster will meet on 12 and 26 October. The next Shelter technical group WG meeting will be convened on 19 October. In the Somali region, regional cluster meetings will be held on 10 and 24 October, in Jijiga. The first Shelter/NFI meeting will be convened in Afar region in October (date to be confirmed).
- 📁 In October, IOM, with support from the cluster coordination and cluster members, will organize and deliver two **Shelter/NFI trainings in the Somali region** for regional & local authorities and humanitarian partners.
- 📁 The **Global Shelter Cluster** will hold its **annual retreat** in Switzerland on 2-6 October 2017 with the following agenda: 2-3 October - Coordination Workshop for country-level shelter cluster coordinators to review the coordination tools & methodologies and share practices; 3 October - Sphere consultations; 4-5 October – Global Shelter Cluster meeting to review progress made and plan for next year; 6 October - Shelter Centre meeting to share practices in shelter programming <http://www.sheltercluster.org/resources/page/gsc-factsheets>.

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