Humanitarian Situation: October 2019

Ethiopia:
- 8.1 million people are food insecure (IPC 3+) and in need of humanitarian assistance.
- 503,669 severely malnourished and 2.15 million moderately malnourished children are in need of treatment.
- 7.3 million people are living with water insecurity.

Somalia:
- 2.1 million people are food insecure (IPC 3+) and in need of humanitarian assistance.
- 138,200 severely malnourished and 1.03 million moderately malnourished children are in need of treatment.
- 2.9 million people are living with water insecurity.

Kenya:
- 3.1 million people are food insecure (IPC 3+) and in need of humanitarian assistance.
- 125,688 severely malnourished and 665,000 moderately malnourished children are in need of treatment.
- 3.5 million people are living with water insecurity.

Uganda:
- 475,200 people are food insecure (IPC 3+) and in need of humanitarian assistance.
- 22,278 severely malnourished and 130,753 moderately malnourished children are in need of treatment.
- 3.3 million people are living with water insecurity.

Strategic Direction

- 13.7 million people are currently food insecure and require urgent action (IPC Phase 3+).
- Up to 4 million children under 5 years of age are acutely malnourished.
- 17 million people are living with water insecurity.
- Forecast above-average rains are likely to benefit second season harvests and pastoral livelihoods at the end of this year. However, the risk of flooding is elevated.

Required Actions

- Provide early, flexible, un-earmarked funds now on a 'no regrets' basis.
- Scale-up humanitarian assistance for the anticipated extended lean season.
- Prepare for the next rainy season.
- Ensure that both immediate lifesaving programming and resilient development approaches are supported.

Funding Status: May - December 2019 (updated October 2019)

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*Figures for FAO exclusively refer to funds raised for the implementation of actions identified in the position paper ‘Horn of Africa: A joint call for action before a major regional humanitarian crisis’. *
*Figures for WFP in Ethiopia and Kenya have been revised to reflect emergency needs only.
*Figures for UNICEF in Ethiopia and Kenya have been adjusted to align with their revised country appeal.