



**“Addressing acute food insecurity in rural areas of Somalia”**

**Project code:** OSRO/SOM/902/USA

**Resource partner:** United States of America

**Contribution:** USD 14 million

**Implementation:** 01/01/2019 – 31/03/2020

**Target areas:** Somalia



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| <b>Objective:</b>              | To increase immediate food access while restoring household food production and protecting livestock assets.  |
| <b>Key partners:</b>           | Federal and state line ministries, Livestock Professional Associations and non-governmental organizations.  |
| <b>Beneficiaries reached:</b>  | 1 255 060 people.   |
| <b>Activities implemented:</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided 24 400 households with agricultural inputs (maize, sorghum, cowpea and vegetable seeds, hermetic storage bags, hand-held tools); a majority of households also received cash from a separate resource partner.</li> <li>• Provided 3 500 urban internally displaced person households with vegetable seeds, hand-held tools and watering cans to start their own gardens, as well cash from a separate resource partner.</li> <li>• Supported 8 800 households with supplementary feed blocks, milk storage containers (mazzicans) and supportive treatment for their livestock, together with cash from a separate resource partner.</li> <li>• Provided 740 fishing households with either: (i) fiberglass fishing boat; (ii) community fish processing kit; or (iii) household fish processing and cooking kit, together with cash through a separate project.</li> <li>• Trained beneficiary households according to inputs distributed: good agricultural and post-harvest practices (farming beneficiaries), feed block usage and milk storage (livestock-holding households), and safety at sea, fish handling, processing and hygiene (fisheries beneficiaries).</li> <li>• Provided emergency supportive treatment to 5.9 million animals and vaccinated a total of 6.9 million.</li> <li>• Equipped federal and state ministries of livestock with 34 solar-powered fridges for vaccine storage.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Results:</b>                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enabled farming beneficiaries to yield an average harvest of 1.97 tonnes/ha (compared with 1.67 tonnes/ha for non-beneficiaries).</li> <li>• Improved pastoralists' and agropastoralists' livestock wealth, leading to increased milk and meat production.</li> <li>• Reduced fishing beneficiaries' reliance on borrowing key livelihood equipment, supporting their self-sufficiency and contributing towards increased production and incomes in the longer-term.</li> <li>• Contributed towards increasing Somalia's capacity to respond to and control transboundary animal diseases, including by improving the cold chain for vaccines.</li> </ul>  |