

## HIGHLIGHTS

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Affected population	7.95 m
MAM	370,00 m
SAM	416,000
# of people displaced due to conflict	2.2 m
# of people displaced due to climatic shocks	0.5 m

## FUNDING

### US\$1.494 billion

Requirement for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of 2018 Ethiopia Humanitarian and Disaster Resilience Plan

Funding shortfall:  
**US\$416.4 million**

## US\$ 416.4 million urgently required to cover needs until the end of the year

The Mid-Year Review (MYR) of the 2018 Humanitarian and Disaster Resilience Plan (HDRP) faces a funding shortfall of US\$416.4 million to support 7.95 million people with relief food/cash assistance and 9.45 million people with non-food supplies until the end of the year, at a cost of \$1.494 billion. Despite the general good performance of this year's belg/spring rains, the number of people targeted for relief food and cash support remains largely unchanged due to the significant spike in internal displacement since April 2018. The displaced population, who have often fled with nothing more than personal possessions, as well as returnees who are going back to burnt houses and lost livelihoods, will require continued holistic support to sustain their lives and rebuild their livelihoods.

Ethiopia continues to respond to the needs of people affected by two years of drought and to around one million people who were displaced due to the conflict along the Oromia and Somali border in September 2017. Since April 2018, the country faced an additional surge in conflict-induced displacement along the SNNP-Oromia regional border and elsewhere in the country. Local authorities and host communities were first to respond to these sudden, unforeseen crises, providing IDPs with life-saving assistance, including food, water, and non-food supplies.

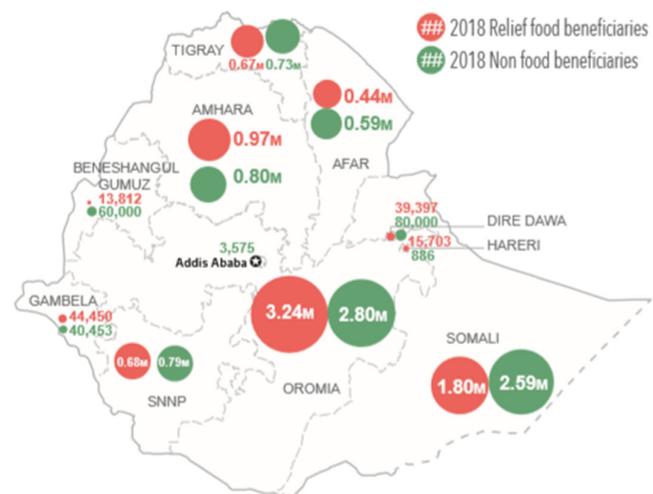


Figure 1 People who need humanitarian assistance in 2018

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## The 2018 International Day for Disaster Reduction (IDDR) commemorated in Ethiopia

On 11 October 2018, Government and partners commemorated this year's IDDR day with a global theme: "Disasters Have a Human Cost". The day is meant to provide an opportunity to accelerate the substantial progress being made toward reduction of disaster risks and losses in lives, livelihoods and health. The National Disaster Risk Management Commission (NDRMC) ceremonially handed over the DRM Mainstreaming Guideline it developed with support from the World Bank to regions and line ministries that were present. The guideline informs how to mainstream disaster risk management (DRM) in development planning and identify key sectors, activities and processes.



## Partners to operationalize Durable Solutions Strategy to resolve protracted displacement

The UN Agency for Migration (IOM) is working with the Government of Ethiopia and partners to implement a durable solutions strategy that would resolve protracted displacement in Ethiopia. The operationalization of the strategy is a crucial first step to go beyond addressing immediate humanitarian needs of IDPs and move towards addressing the long term needs of displaced population, who are in search for solutions and self-sufficiency. The strategy targets people displaced by drought, conflict, flood and other natural disasters, as well as host communities and local structures/ institutions.

The national level dialogue on solutions is a scale-up of the lessons learnt exercise from the experience of Somali region since 2014. The Durable Solutions Strategy to Somali IDPs, which was led by the Somali Regional Disaster Prevention and Preparedness Bureau (DPPB) and the UN Migration Agency (IOM) was endorsed by the Durable Solutions Working Group and the regional government in October 2017. As part of an ongoing effort to establish a national-level Durable Solutions Working Group for IDPs, Government and partners convened a first, national-level, meeting on 9 October, 2018 and agreed to strengthen the forum and ensure its continuity.

A number of important steps have been taking place in terms of progressively resolving protracted displacement in Ethiopia. Preferences of IDPs on local integration, return and relocation were mapped based on intention surveys conducted in 84 IDP sites in Somali region and 227 IDP sites in Oromia region. The result of the intention survey identified IDPs' preferences, as well as the necessary conditions required to support those choices. It was also the basis for the development of the ongoing operational plan for durable solutions in the Somali region, and this could also inform efforts on solutions at national level. The strategy is in line with international humanitarian principles as well as the national policies and will incorporate ongoing Government interventions on durable solutions.

At least 2.2 million people are internally displaced by inter-communal violence in Ethiopia according to the 11th round (May-June) of the Displacement Tracking Matrix(DTM). Inter-communal violence continues to be reported across the country leading to displacements, civilian injuries and deaths as well as damage to properties and public infrastructure.

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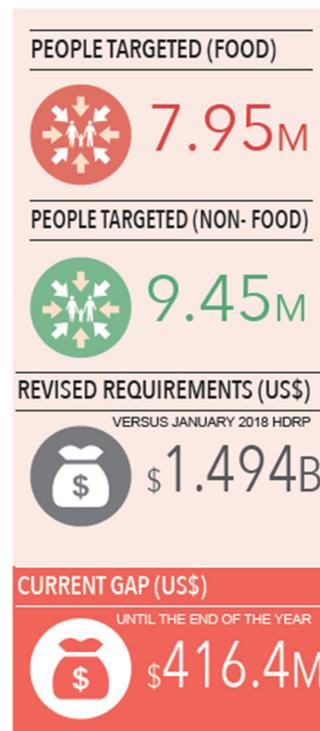
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## Secretary-General alerted on a most-likely El Niño this year

On 21 September 2018, the UN humanitarian chief and UNDP director have triggered an alert to the UN Secretary-General about the most likely occurrence of El Niño towards the end of the year. The joint note highlighted a 70 per cent chance of an El Niño developing by the fourth quarter of 2018 through early 2019.

In Ethiopia, the 2015 El Niño phenomenon had caused one of the worst droughts in decades with a devastating impact on peoples' lives and livelihoods, leaving some 10.2 million people in need of urgent life-saving food assistance. Although the impact of the anticipated El Niño may not be as severe as it was in 2015, Government and Humanitarian partners will continue to monitor the situation and be prepared for mitigation and early action efforts.

## Ethiopia: 2018 HDRP Funding Update (as of 08 October 2018)



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