

Call for applications for DERF funding of rapid response interventions answering the following humanitarian crisis:

Title: Floods in Somalia

Country and location(s): Affected regions in Somalia: Hirshabelle, Jubaland, Banadir, South West, and Galmudug

DERF Funding Modality: Applicants are to apply for the DERF Funding Modality *Rapid Response* as per the DERF Funding Guidelines.

Call window for submission of applications: Applications are received and processed on an ongoing basis from 23.5. until 6.6. at 12:00 noon CET.

Funds allocated for this Call: The DERF allocates a total of up to **DKK 1.6 million** for this Call. Applicants can apply for a **maximum of DKK 400.000** each.

Piloting flexible funds and 5% local administration: Under this call, you may (optional) include 10% of **flexible funds** for activities. Furthermore, **local partner administration** is now a lumpsum of up to 5% of total partner costs. Please read carefully all the details about this pilot in the following [Guiding Note](#).

Alert title and location(s)	Alert type, source and date	Crisis type	Information on the humanitarian crisis and emergency relief needs	Known DK org. in crisis location(s)	Assessment of DERF relevance
Title: Floods in Somalia Country & locations: Affected regions in Somalia: Hirshabelle, Jubaland, Banadir, South West, and Galmudug.	Alert Type: Local Alert Alerting Organisation: Action for Relief and Development (ARD) Crisis Start: April 15, 2025. Sources supplemented with: Somalia: 2025 <i>Gu</i> (April to June) Seasonal Floods, Situation Report No. 1,	Rapid onset crisis	Background Flash flooding caused by the seasonal gu (April to June) rains in southern and central Somalia has severely affected local communities, with more than 84,000 people, including 17,400 children and pregnant/lactating women, displaced and 17 fatalities reported since mid-April. Widespread damage to homes, roads, and essential services has hindered access to those in need. In response, humanitarian partners, the Somali Government, and local communities have intensified their efforts to assist, despite the constraints posed by severe funding cuts to aid operations. (<i>OCHA, May 20</i>) Humanitarian impact: Hirshabelle, Jubaland, South West, Galmudug, and Banadir states are the worst affected, with communities facing flooding, infrastructure damage, and displacement. Recent assessments indicate significant damage to homes, roads, and essential services, exacerbating the humanitarian situation. In Banadir, floods have left people in urgent need of assistance, particularly displaced people in temporary settlements, with at least 11 reported deaths. In Hirshabelle, heavy rains on 9 May triggered flash floods, displacing over 2,000 households and damaging homes, latrines, and roads, including the vital route between Xawaadley and Jowhar. In Galmudug, moderate rains led to a rise in waterborne diseases like acute watery diarrhoea and cholera. Jubaland also reported damage to shelters, affecting thousands of households, with many seeking refuge in host communities. In South West State, the Shabelle River's rising levels pose a severe risk of riverine flooding, already affecting 273 households, with additional impacts on displaced persons in Baidoa. (<i>OCHA, May 20</i>) Prioritized Emergency Actions Authorities and communities in affected areas are appealing for urgent multi-sectoral assistance including food, water, shelter, non-food items, and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) supplies.	Number of organisations present in-country: 30 Number of organisations with external funding experience (both CSF and DERF grants): 15 Number of organisations present in specific localities: 10	Critical emergency and/or protection needs: Yes Particularly vulnerable groups: Yes Timeliness of potential DERF funded intervention : Yes Significant funding gap exist: Yes DERF funds

	May 20, 2025, OCHA Somalia weekly weather forecast, 20 - 26 May 2025, FAO Humanitarian needs and response plan, Somalia 2025, Somalia Disaster Management Agency		Vulnerability Vulnerable groups are those who are particularly impacted by the floods, including female- and child-headed households, families whose homes have been damaged or destroyed by floodwaters, as well as those with small children, the elderly, pregnant women, lactating mothers, individuals with chronic or mental health conditions, people with disabilities, and internally displaced people. Funding Situation The flooding has struck at a time when significant funding cuts have already forced humanitarian partners to reduce or shut down critical programmes. As of 19 May, the Somalia 2025 Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan is only 11.1 per cent funded — highlighting a major funding gap that severely limits the humanitarian response. Humanitarian Access In the areas affected by heavy rains, local roads have been submerged, making access to impacted communities even more challenging. Humanitarian access varies across the regions, with difficulties not only linked to the nature of the crisis and the flooding hazard but also exacerbated by ongoing tensions, deep-rooted conflicts, and fluid population movements, creating highly complex emergency response situations.		available: Yes Recommend: Activate DERF.
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