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## EMERGENCY IDP SETTLEMENT REHABILITATION PROGRAMME

### Week 3 Progress Report

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#### Summary

The 3<sup>rd</sup> week's activities were completed without any serious constraints.

During the course of the 3<sup>rd</sup> week, the district of Hawl-wadag joined other districts, and commenced by teaming up with the district of Hamar-jajab - which it share a border with.

After the completion of 2-weeks of activities, SAACID paid all staff labourers in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week without any problems encountered at all. SAACID will continue to pay all labourers on a fortnightly basis, as these workers are so poor, that they need the money much sooner than normal monthly salaried staff.

On the first day of payments, 8 districts received their salaries - Wadajir, Dharkeynley, Hodan, Hamar-Weyne, Hamar-jajab, Waberi, Deynile and Hiliwaa to be the first districts to receive the wages on the first day of the payment. On the next day, the remaining 8 districts were paid – Abdul-aziz, Bondhere, Hawl-wadag, Karaan, Shibis, Shingani, Wardhigley and Yaqshid.

As with the first 2 weeks, several of the 780 labourers fled the city, and had to be replaced in a genuine manner. This was completed in due course.

Attendance of the workers at all the worksites was excellent in this third week of activities.

After 3 weeks of activities, some 576 tonnes of garbage has been removed from the targeted IDP settlement sites.

In this week of activities, 21 accidents and 10 UXO related incidents were recorded by all districts.

## **Abdul-aziz District**

This Towfiq settlement is one of the biggest IDP settlements in the district of Abdul-aziz. This settlement was selected by IDP settlement leaders and district authorities, because there was a huge amount of garbage that looked like a mountain.

The inhabitants of the settlement were very much delighted as the cleaning work started in their settlement. All the 84 people assigned to execute the cleaning work were present at the worksite and were very energetic as they removed large amounts of garbage from the site and successfully completed the work during the course of the week.

It was evident from what has been removed from this settlement that there had never been any cleaning done ever at this site. As the workers removed 36 loads of garbage from the settlement, the sanitation of the settlement has greatly improved.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

No incidents or accidents were reported in this district this week.

## **Bondhere**

The third week of the *Emergency IDP Settlement Rehabilitation Programme* was successfully started in one of the major settlements in the district of Bondhere. This settlement which was formerly the Ministry of Interior is a very large compound, and is hosting large number of IDPs.

All 42 people who were assigned to this district started removing the garbage and other harmful materials from the settlement.

The activity attracted the attention of the entire neighbourhood in the area, who have complemented the implementation of such a valuable programme in the IDP settlements in the city of Mogadishu.

The workers were able to complete cleaning the area within the week, as they have removed 36 loads of garbage from the settlement.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

No incidents were reported in this district this week; 1 accident was reported in this district this week.

## **Deynile**

The *Emergency IDP Settlement Rehabilitation Programme* progressed well this third week in the district of Deynile. The district is still working in 2 previously selected sites, as the garbage at those 2 sites is massive.

The college settlement for the Somali University compound is very large, and has in fact attracted a large number of IDP people due to the availability of rooms that were earlier used as hostels for the university students.

Garbage and other harmful materials, such as thorn trees covered the whole area, and it needs a lot of time to clear this area from the garbage that has accumulated for so long period.

In this 3<sup>rd</sup> week of activity, the workers succeeded in removing 36 loads of garbage from the compound.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

There were no incidents reported in this district this week; 5 accidents were recorded in this district this week.

### **Dharkeynley**

Dharkeynley is one of the biggest districts in Mogadishu, and is hosting a large population of IDPs. As soon as the workers in the district had finished and collected all the garbage at Abdul-Hafid settlement, this 3<sup>rd</sup> week they started working at a new settlement, which was previously an industry that produced medical products.

Although the sanitation of this new settlement was very poor, the problem was that the whole area was blocked by thorny bushes and garbage that was dumped by trucks from the city as the place is located in the corner of the city of Mogadishu.

At the end of the work, there was a good overall improvement in the cleanliness and sanitation, which was very obvious, and that has made all the community living in the area to send their gratitude to all who contributed in removing the garbage from their area.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

No incidents were reported in this district this week; 2 accidents were recorded in this district this week.

### **Hamar-jajab**

The district of Hamar-jajab started this week cleaning a large compound previously owned by the late and former deputy president of the Revolutionary Council, Major General Hussien Kulmiy; plus another settlement also in the vicinity of this big compound.

The workers were very enthusiastic as their fellow workers from the district of Hawl-Wadag joined them in the cleaning the settlements.

So far 36 loads of garbage were collected from this compound and the overall sanitation of the settlement is very much improving.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

There were 10 UXO related incidents were reported in this district this week; 2 accidents were reported in this district this week.

## **Hamar-weyne**

The district of Hamar-weyne moved to a new settlement not far from the previous site that the district was working in during the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> weeks.

This new place is a very well-known and established school compound called Moalim Jama School.

The school is currently inhabited by IDPs, and they were in fact very happy that the programme began in their area of residence, thus improving the health of their dwellings.

The school compound has become a dumping place for all the near by residential areas, and huge amounts of garbage had accumulated within few meters of the IDP dwellings.

As the work has progressed, so far 36 loads of garbage have been cleared from the area of the school, and the inhabitants were very much pleased with the way the programmes has advanced to improve the overall sanitation of the IDPs in the school.

During the course of the week the work was carried out very smoothly without any incident or accidents.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

## **Hawl-wadag**

Due to very heavy security operations by the Ethiopians and TFG in Hawl-wadag, there was very heavy fighting in the district. The decision was made to move the Hawl-wadag workers to assist the workers in Hodan. This measure was very much appreciated by all; and highlights the level of inter-district cooperation that can take place at the non-political level.

## **Heliwaa**

Still in the course of the third week of *IDPs Settlement Rehabilitation Programme* the district of Heliwaa is under pressure from military and insurgency operations, and this has caused people who were registered in the programme to leave; and for new genuine IDPs to be sourced, registered and commence work.

In this 3<sup>rd</sup> week, IDP settlement leaders and the district authority selected 1 more new settlement (Shiekh Ali Abdulle), after finishing the garbage clearance from the previous Jiro settlement (which took 2 more days of work in the new 3<sup>rd</sup> week).

Shiekh Ali Abdulle settlement is a very large settlement that is located in the north of the city. It hosts various IDP people from different backgrounds, as the settlement is operated and controlled by a famous religious man known for his help and charity to needy people.

The sanitation of the settlement was generally very poor, and the district committees, together with IDP leaders selected this settlement to be the next target for the settlement cleaning in the district of Hiliwaa.

So far 36 loads of garbage have been removed from both settlements.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

No incidents were reported in this district this week; 1 accident was recorded in this district this week.

### **Hodan**

The district of Hodan hosts the largest number of IDPs in the whole of Mogadishu, and that has made the district get the largest number of labourers from the current on going *Emergency IDP Settlement Rehabilitation Programme*.

The district authority and the IDP settlement committees were very much delighted when one more truck (the one assigned for Hawl-wadag District) was send to boost the huge sanitation programme going on in the district of Hodan.

During the course of this 3<sup>rd</sup> week of activity, the district was very much busy in working and cleaning the garbage from 2 selected sites. Outside the yard of both selected settlements the area has been covered with garbage that was badly stinking. It was also noted that flies had been breeding in garbage in very large numbers, putting at risk the public health of the IDP settlements.

The district took advantage of the number of workers (135 people), plus the 2 trucks; and was able to remove 72 loads of garbage and other harmful materials from both targeted settlements.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

No incidents were reported in this district this week; 7 accidents were recorded in this district this week.

### **Karaan**

After successfully completing the 2 previous settlements - Nacim 1 and Nacim 2 in this 3<sup>rd</sup> week of activities, the district of Karaan moved to a new settlement called Qoob-Dooro, which is located in the vicinity of a small district playground which the children usually play. The garbage that was built-up in the area was huge, and badly infested with flies and other insects that could easily transmit any communicable diseases. The settlement leaders for sometime were complaining in the local media about the difficulties they had with the garbage, and people using the surrounding area of their dwelling place as a dumpsite.

Finally that this opportunity has come, and the IDP residents and their elders were very much happy and welcome the initiative to collect the garbage in the area, as well as creating employment for their fellow friends in the settlements.

The progress of the work at this Qoob-Dooro site was excellent, and garbage inside the settlement amounting to 36 loads was removed during the week.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

There were no accidents or incidents reported in this district this week.

## **Shibis**

The settlement targeted in this 3<sup>rd</sup> week of activities is located in a place previously owned by the Vatican, though lately nationalized by the government of Said Barre. It was a small industry that was used to process leather and make shoes.

Now IDPs occupy the place, and for a decade or so, the residents were dumping garbage and other harmful materials at this place.

At the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> week, the district workers were able to remove 36 loads of garbage from their site.

The attendance of the workers was excellent.

No incidents were reported in this district this week 2 accidents were recorded in this district this week.

## **Shingani**

This 3<sup>rd</sup> week of activity, the district of Shingani started working at 2 new sites, after they had successfully completed the previous 2 settlements for week 2 at the Marine and Shipping Agency compound and Hassey 1.

The selected settlements are full of IDPs; and doing a sanitation programme in such a risky and vulnerable place was an excellent choice by the district committee and IDP leaders in the area.

The work progressed well and 36 loads of garbage from the above mentioned sites was removed.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

No incidents were reported in this district this week; 1 accident was recorded in this district this week.

## **Wadajir**

This 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the *Emergency IDP Settlement Rehabilitation Programme* the district of Wadajir moved to 2 new sites, after work in the previous Siimanka settlement near Mogadishu Ex- government control area was completed.

The 2 new settlements selected are Al-Hijra and Marmarka, which are densely inhabited by IDPs who sought refuge in the peaceful atmosphere that prevails in the district of Wadajir.

Initially work started at the settlement of Marmarka (previously a small industry compound that produced marble during the government of Said Barre era but now become a dumping place) and the inhabitants were tired of addressing the need to remove this garbage that was threatening the lives of the IDP residents to local and international organisations. Now that

this opportunity has come through the provision of this programme, the district authorities and the settlement leaders were quick to take advantage, and started cleaning their settlements.

By the end of the week, 36 loads of garbage were collected from the 2 settlements and the overall progress of the work in the district settlements was progressing with excellent pace.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

No accidents or incidents were reported in this district this week.

### **Waberi**

21<sup>st</sup> October settlement - named after the day the military government of Said Barre toppled the then civilian administration - is a very large settlement that is hosting IDPs who come from Bay and Bakool area during the disastrous civil strife of 1992. Since that time they have lived in this settlement.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> week of the *Emergency IDP Settlement Rehabilitation Programme* has gone well in the above mentioned district, as they have finished work in the other previous settlements that were cleaned well.

This settlement endured long years of inadequate environmental sanitation as large amounts of garbage and other harmful materials accumulated without proper attention by the inhabitants or the local authorities' inability to understand or attend to the promotion of sanitation in the area.

By week's end, the workers were able to remove 36 loads of garbage from their settlement.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

There were no accidents or incidents reported in this district this week.

### **Wardhigley**

The district of Wardhigley this moved to a new site which was previously a very famous animal market for the city of Mogadishu.

Decades of negligence has made all the area of the former animal market full of huge garbage, with the remains of animal bones that were slaughtered in the area, blood and other stinking odours.

The dwellers of the IDP settlement, with the help of the district authorities, had lobbied that their area be the next place to target and benefit from the current on going *IDP Settlement Rehabilitation Programme*.

As the work started, almost all the dwellers of the area were present not far from the worksite chanting and encouraging their fellow beneficiaries of the project with folklore, traditional and patriotic songs. It was really a heart-felt sight in this current city of starvation, conflict and death.

The work progressed well, and 36 loads of garbage were collected from the settlement.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

No incidents or accidents were reported in this district this week.

## **Yaqshid**

The district of Yaqshid is one of the most densely populated districts in Mogadishu; and it hosts a large number of IDP settlements. Although some parts of the district have been affected by the recent military confrontation between the insurgency and Ethiopian/TFG forces, nevertheless the *IDP Settlement Rehabilitation Programme* has been going in the district as planned and without any interruptions so far.

The current Laanta Olympic settlement being cleaned this week is hosting IDPs who came from Bay Region. They are very poor, and are labelled by the rest of the communities as insignificant people. Thus the opening of the sanitation programme in this area has significantly heightened the spirits and the hopes of the dwellers of this settlement.

The work was implemented in the settlement as planned and 36 loads of garbage were cleared from the worksite.

Attendance of the workers was excellent.

No accidents or incidents were reported in this district this week.

## **Accidents and incidents**

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- On 10 November 2007, in the district of Bondhere, 1 lady suffered an injury in the front of her face after she incidentally hit herself with a tool she was working with. She was attended to by the site health worker and is okay.
- On 10 November 2007, in the district of Hamar-jajab, 2 people were slightly injured with the spades they were working with, and got injuries on their legs. They promptly received medical attention on site, and are okay.
- In the period between 10-14 November 2007, in the district of Hodan, 7 people sustained various injuries - mostly on the hands, during work at the site. They all received medical attention on site, and they are all okay.
- On 12 November 2007, in the district of Dharkeynley, 2 workers were injured - 1 in the hand, and the other on the right leg, after they were sliced by sharp objects that were hidden in the garbage. They immediately received medical attention by the site health worker, and they are okay.
- On 12 November 2007, in the district of Heliwaa, a worker accidentally hit his fellow worker with a spade on his right leg. A small area of the leg needed 2 stitches; and this was completed by the site health worker. The person is okay.
- On 14 November 2007, in the district of Shibis, 2 workers were slightly injured while working. They received medical attention on site and are okay.

- On 14 November 2007, in the district of Deynile, 5 workers were injured as they were cutting shrubs from worksite. Most of them were injured by thorns. The injuries were minor and were treated on site. All are okay.
- On 14 November 2007, in the district of Shingani, 1 lady hit one toe of her left leg with a stone. After the incident, the site health worker removed the nail of the toe that was cut. She immediately received all the proper medications and was put to rest that day.

**UXO incidents**

- On 12 November, in the district of Hamar-jajab, a 40 mm round was discovered at the worksite and handed over to Sarandi Police Station in the district of Hamar-jajab by DDG and SAACID Somalia field staff together. The cartridge was an STM round according to the DDG personnel.



*40 mm STM round*



- On 14 November, the following UXOs were also found in Hamar-jajab District. They were also handed over to Sarandi Police Station in partnership with DDG.

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| 1. Zu 23 mm anti-aircraft round | 2 rounds   |
| 2. 60 mm mortar round           | 1 round    |
| 3. Various small arms bullets   | various    |
| 4. F1 hand grenade              | 4 grenades |
| 5. Anti-tank round (HEAT)       | 1 round    |
| 6. PETN powder                  | 1 batch    |
| 7. RPG detritus                 | lump       |



*Ant-Tank (HEAT)*



*Hand grenades (F-1)*



*Zu 23 mm + various bullets*



*60 mm mortar round + F1 hand grenade*



*RPG detritus*



*PETN Powder*