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Emergency IDP Settlement Rehabilitation Programme

Week 6 Progress Report

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Summary

The 6th week's *Emergency IDPs Settlement Rehabilitation Programme* has continued unabated, with all district work teams operating without constraint.

SAACID continuously scrutinized the programme progress activities and has been pushing the district authorities and settlement leaders to meet the programme planned outputs and coverage - emphasising punctuality and hard work.

So far the public has shown significant gratitude to both donors and SAACID for removing and cleaning the accumulated garbage and other harm full materials in the displaced settlements in the city.

SAACID, in collaboration and consultation with Danish De-mining Group, has succeeded in isolating (putting in a pitch) and making protective sandbags around the area in 3 district sites: Hamar-jabjab, Wardhiglay and Karaan - thus reducing the risk of the recovered items.



Some 67 accidents and 8 UXO incidents were reported from all districts partners in the city this week.

Abdul-aziz District

The full quota of 84 workers completed cleaning Marino settlement, and they are now operating at a new site called Halgan settlement. All inside the settlement is full of garbage and other harmful materials.

The 1 truck assigned to the district loaded its consignments as contracted.

No incidents were reported.

It was reported that 3 workers were injured.

Attendance of the workers and punctuality is reported as good.

Bondhere District

The full quota of 42 workers was working in the district.

They are now operating at a new site called General Dau'd settlement, where there is large amount of garbage and other harmful materials.

The 1 truck assigned to the district loaded its consignments as contracted.

4 people were slightly injured from spades and a machete; they were given treatment onsite and are okay.

Attendance of the workers was very good.

There were no incidents reported in this district this week.

Deynile District

The full quotas of 18 workers were working in the district.

They are still working at Gaheyr 3 settlement. The location is full of garbage and thorny shrubs.

The 1 truck assigned to the district completed the agreed number of trips.

There were no incidents reported in this district this week; although contingents from the Ethiopian army were around the settlement area all week.

7 people were slightly injured from spikes of cactus.

Attendance of the workers was very good.

Dharkeynley District

The full quota of 27 workers completed cleaning the Hosh settlement, and they have now moved to a site called Goday settlement. There is mountain-like garbage in the area.

The 1 truck that was contracted for the district completed its output of 36 loaded as agreed.

No incidents were reported.

4 workers were injured; one seriously injured and sent to hospital.

Attendance of the workers was very good.

Hamar-jajab and Hawl-wadag Districts

The full quota of 57 workers succeeded in cleaning Daamay 1 settlement, and they are now operating at a new site called Daamay 2 settlement.

Before starting work in this new settlement, there was a small stand-off between the settlement committees as to where to move to next, but the matter was resolved by the district authority.

The 1 truck assigned to the district loaded its consignments as contracted.

3 people were injured due to tools during the course of the week.

The following UXOs were found in the garbage:

- Anti-tank round 60 mm 1
- Zu-23 mm round 1

Attendance of the workers and punctuality was reported as good.

Hamar-weyne District

The full quota of 39 workers was working in the district of Hamar-weyne.

For the second week they were still working at the same site - Aw-Aweyska - which is full of garbage.

The 1 truck assigned to the district loaded its consignments as contracted.

As the site is located in the vicinity of the Governor's office, the workers are subjected to daily security screening and occasional roadblocks.

2 people were injured during the work - caused by being struck by a spade and a bucket.

The following items were found in the garbage:

- 2 Egyptian-made hand grenades
- 1 Zu 23 mm anti-aircraft round

Attendance of the workers was reported as good.

Hodan District

The full quotas of 135 workers reported for work in the district of Hodan.

The workers have completed cleaning Ayan and Shabelle settlements last week and moved to 2 new large settlements called Bakol and Howlaha Guud 1. These settlements are full of garbage and thorny bushes.

There were some occasional work stoppages caused by government troops, who were searching the area for weapons.

The 2 trucks assigned to the district loaded their consignments as contracted.

12 people were injured - with 3 serious injuries, when hurt with a tool and needed to take 1-day of rest.

Attendance of the workers was reported as good.

Heliwaa District

The full quota of 21 workers reported for work in the district of Heliwaa.

The workers, after completing Halgan settlement, are now operating at a new settlement called Bismillahi, where there is a lot of garbage.

The district authority and settlement leaders were very complimentary of the programme, and have asked for the increase of the beneficiaries as new settlements were erected recently as fighting increased in their district.

The 1 truck assigned to the district completed the number of loads required.

4 minor accidents caused by tools were reported in the district this week.

No incidents were reported in this district this week.

Attendance of the workers was reported as very good.

Karaan District

The full quota of 69 workers has already cleaned Al- Hilal settlement.

This week they moved to a new site called Halgan settlement. The place is full of garbage and remains of animal bones and other noxious things.

The security of the area was not favourable, since there is a municipality checkpoint for the trucks getting out of the city, and this is not far from the current worksite.

The 1 truck assigned to the district loaded its consignments as contracted.

It was reported that 5 workers were injured. Two were pierced with a fork, while 1 was wounded by the back door of a truck, and the other 2 were hurt were loading the truck.

The following dangerous items were found in the garbage:

- 30 mm anti-aircraft round 1

Attendance of the workers and punctuality is reported as good.

Shibis District

The full quota of 33 workers finished the sanitation activity in RT and Shabelle settlements.

The district workers are now operating at a new site that was previously Shibis Primary School.

The settlement is full garbage and thorny trees that occupy most of the settlement surroundings.

The 1 truck assigned to the district loaded its consignments as contracted.

7 workers were slightly injured during the course of the work this week.

No incidents were reported in this district this week.

Attendance of the workers was reported as good this week.

Shingani District

The full quota of 42 workers was working in the district.

They were working at a new site which was the former French Embassy compound; which has now become a large IDP settlement. The whole of the embassy is covered with garbage, cow dung and other harmful materials.

Workers found dead human bones buried from long time ago in the work area. Workers were shocked initially and the district officials took the remains for re-burial.

The 1 truck assigned to the district loaded its consignments as contracted.

2 people sustained injuries from the tools. In addition to one worker felt sick and vomited at the worksite.

The following dangerous items were found in the garbage:

- 60 mm mortar round (without fuse) 1
- Strike cap (DSHK) 1

Attendance of the workers and punctuality was reported as good.

Waberi District

The full quota of 48 workers was working in the district.

They are working Villa Wajid settlement, where there are large amounts of smelling garbage and other harmful materials.

Initially this week, the district authority and settlement leaders were planning to start work at Somali Airlines settlement, but due to the conditions of the site, which is very smelly, it was decided that until chlorine is available to spray on the garbage, another settlement should be targeted.

The 1 truck assigned to the district completed the agreed number of trips.

A roadside bomb that missed a contingent of Ethiopian troops passing the area caused hours of work stoppage after the army went checking the whole area for the perpetrators of the incident.

3 people were slightly injured by sharp objects in the garbage in this district this week.

Attendance of the workers was very good.

Wadajir District

The full quota of 54 workers was operating in a new settlement site called Adam Kukay.

The settlement is full of garbage that smells; and also has many animal bones.

The workers and this IDP settlement are very happy that at least they can receive one meal for their children from the district wet food centre, which is nearby.

The 1 truck assigned to the district completed the number of loads required.

2 minor accidents caused by tools were reported in this district this week.

No incidents were reported in this district this week.

Attendance of the workers was reported as very good.

Wardhigley District

The full quota of 42 workers completed the UKO site.

They are now operating at Barwaqo settlement, where mountainous garbage deposits have accumulated, and have not been removed for more than a decade.

The 1 truck assigned to the district loaded its consignments as contracted.

Shells have landed near the settlement during the week, when the government forces and the resistance groups fought during the nights. Most of the workers were very much scared of the area.

5 injuries were reported - 3 sustained from cactus thorns and 2 from tools.

Attendance of the workers and punctuality was reported as good.

Yaqshid District

The full quota of 69 workers started working at Alla-aamin settlement.

As well as the garbage, the workers were complaining about the abundance of thorny trees and cactus at the site.

The security of the district was tense, as TFG/Ethiopian forces intensified their operations, with heavy mortar shelling day and night.

The 1 truck assigned to the district loaded its consignments as contracted.

8 workers were slightly injured due to spikes from cactus during the course of the work.

Attendance of the workers was reported as good.