**In Numbers**

- **9.7 million** people in need of food assistance.
- **7.1 million** people targeted in the 2016 joint WFP-Government of Ethiopia (GoE) response.

**Highlights**

- The joint WFP-GoE pipeline shows breaks in cereals starting in October and pulses starting in November.
- Recruitment of staff to support the GoE with distribution, monitoring and reporting is progressing. At a national level, as of 30 September, 815 staff have been recruited, trained and deployed to the regions. Afar, Benshangul Gumuz, Gambella, Somali regions, and the three NDRMC hubs have completed the process.

**Situation Update**

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**WFP Response**

- **Food Assistance**
  - Round 6 of the Emergency Relief Programme is wrapping up. The Government’s dispatches under Round 7 started late due to NDRMC’s decision to complete Round 5 and 6 first. JEOP’s dispatches are delayed due to discussions with the Regional Governments in SNNPR, Amhara and Oromia regarding the revised HRD allocations. For more details on performance indicators, see Drought Emergency Relief Programme Update #12.
  - The third Dispatch Prioritization exercise, used to prioritize woredas in the coming month, identified 22 woredas in Afar, Amhara and Oromia regions with incomplete dispatches in both July, August and September. These will be given top priority by NDRMC and JEOP in October.

- **Cash assistance**
  - So far in 2016 US$ 8.25 million of cash relief has been transferred to 201,526 beneficiaries in 12 woredas in Oromia region and four woredas in Somali region. Given the improved supplies to markets in the drought affected areas, WFP and donors have agreed to significantly increase cash distribution. An expansion to a total of 737,625 beneficiaries is planned for the next relief rounds, starting in October.

**Funding Update: WFP requirement**

Based on the 2016 mid-year review of the Humanitarian Requirements Documents, WFP needs an additional **US$131 million** for emergency relief, nutrition and PSNP for the October to December 2016 period.

**Latest WFP publications**

- Drought Emergency Relief Programme Update #12
- Drought Emergency Dashboard September 2016
- Drought Emergency Household Food Security Monitoring Bulletin #3

Photo: Food distribution in the Somali Region. WFP/Michael Tewelde
**Nutrition**

- 41 new Targeted Supplementary Feeding Programme (TSFP) staff, as part of the staff augmentation to DPPB Somali region, have been through a two day training in TSFP implementation, monitoring, data collection and reporting. The staff are expected to commence their duties by 1 October.

- August and September TSFP dispatches and deliveries for Afar region have improved and are ongoing. However, for Amhara region, dispatches and deliveries are slower and additional efforts are being made to improve the situation in the coming days. For Tigray, SNNPR and Somali regions, August and September dispatches are completed, while for Oromia region, dispatches are completed for August and almost done for September.

**Logistics**

- 25 vehicles from WFP fleet trucks have been supporting the transportation of relief food in Somali region in areas where transporters have been unable to access due to the road conditions. In addition, WFP will reinforce fleet management trucks in Dire Dawa, with four additional trucks to the 25 existing ones, with the objective to optimise the food delivery in the region.

**Cluster**

**Logistics Cluster**

- As of 1 October 66 Mobile Storage Units (MSUs) are finalized. An additional 47 erected MSUs are ready to be finalized, pending procurement and delivery of gravel.

- Furniture, including office materials and safety items, were delivered to the NDRMC Nazreth hub on 19 September, and NDRMC staff have move in and started working. The rehabilitation of the NDRMC Dire Dawa hub, facilitated by the Logistic Cluster, is almost complete.

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