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### **(Final Report on Distribution of Water-Survival Box aid**

#### **Introduction:**

The district of Lughaya was hit by one of the strongest storms ever recorded in Somalia named Cyclone Sagar on 19 May 2018. This resulted in loss of animal and human life, severe damage of property thus reducing the livelihood options of the rural poor. In total 1.44 million people were affected, 230,000 people were displaced, 700 farms were destroyed and 68 people died because of the cyclone and floods.<sup>1</sup> Shelter and water infrastructure worth thousands of dollars was inevitably destroyed.<sup>2</sup>

Local needs assessment was conducted with the coordination of UN OCHA and Somaliland government, WASH cluster and other humanitarian organizations in the country. WV Somalia was an active member. In Lughaya 32 people and an estimated 13,200 livestock died whilst 1,900 households were destroyed. After conducting rapid assessments, World Vision Somalia (WVSom) approached support offices, private and public donors for support. The Rotary club through World Water Works Ltd offered survival boxes and aqua filters to WV Som as a response to the disaster plea. The donation from the Rotary club was to an estimated value of 22,752 British pounds.

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<sup>1</sup> WORLD VISION SOMALIA, May 2018. FLASH UPDATE: FLOODING & CYCLONE,

<sup>2</sup> OCHA, 23 May 2018. OCHA Flash Update #3 Tropical Cyclone Sagar.

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The consignment was shipped through Addis Ababa. Given the security tension in the Somali region of both Somaliland and Ethiopia the logistics passage was not cleared. The consignment was delayed by 3 months in Ethiopia. Given the tight security situation, the consignment had to be escorted by heavily armed personnel from Addis Ababa to Hargeisa. In total, WV incurred a logistics cost of USD 39,000.



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### **Organization of the distribution**

The boxes were securely stored at World Vision Hargeisa Warehouse until they were transported to Lughaya district for distribution. As they were other Good In Kinds (GIK) from World Vision Australia the distributions were conducted at the same time, thus minimizing the distribution cost. Demonstrations were conducted at different levels about the contents of the Survival boxes as well as how to use the water filters. WV staff were first trained before demonstrations were conducted to relevant government line ministries and authorities such as the Ministry of Water Resource, National Disaster and Preparedness and Food Reserve Authority (NADFOR) and Somaliland National Displacement and Refugee Agency (NDRA). After the demos, WV was then given approvals to distribute to affected communities. It was with close consultations with line ministry representatives at community level, that final distribution plans were agreed on and target beneficiaries identified. The distributions were done on site from a WV truck in the field. There was no need to store the consignment at local level.

Tabulated below are the agencies involved in the distribution of the survival kits and water filters.

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Role</b>
Rotary Club	Donation of kits and shipment to Addis Ababa

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Government line ministries	Verifying the quality of donated items and advising on proper targeting
World Vision Somalia	Shipment from Addis Ababa, distributions to the field, preparation of communication banners, trainings at government and community levels, funding the logistics costs, verification of beneficiaries, taking pictures and videos
Local village leadership	Signing and verification of distribution forms as well as harmonizing distribution sessions at the following target villages Waraqdhigeed, Tuurka, Warabadareeray, Il Hagar &Garbo

**Feedback from all groups involved including some recipients**

When the government agencies were checking the contents of the survival boxes they noted that bandages and toothpaste had expired in May and February respectively. The items were removed from the boxes before they were taken to the target villages.

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Community members appreciated the gifts as they helped purify drinking water they were getting from open ponds after water sources were destroyed by the cyclone.

It is however recommended that;

1. Household water treatment is only very useful during emergencies. If filters could be found to treat water at village level, it will be easier to monitor usage and water quality parameters.
2. Given the current security challenges in Ethiopia, it is better to fly consignment straight to Hargesia or Nairobi.

Please find attached case studies from some of the beneficiaries:

*(to be shared next week)*



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### **Photos**

- Amina Mukhtar photos:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1LBV12WCL0gBBsquh7oOaNskKc-RasksC?usp=sharing>

- Sirad's Story Photos:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1oF8nTFzMP90TCJV3ko-WRW5-bOA8TgfX?usp=sharing>

- Sirad's Story Videos:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1CVX75BMULRSWGYrcjtooYef1avXP3kDH?usp=sharing>

- Pre-distribution Photos:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1iFXejXha6G9Mcoh9BD8O4iJuneRmtK1r?usp=sharing>

### **Video Clips**

Amina Mukhtar Videos:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1YM3tsP4e-70tdfxlwVI3HRrUIGJ-8Pm?usp=sharing>

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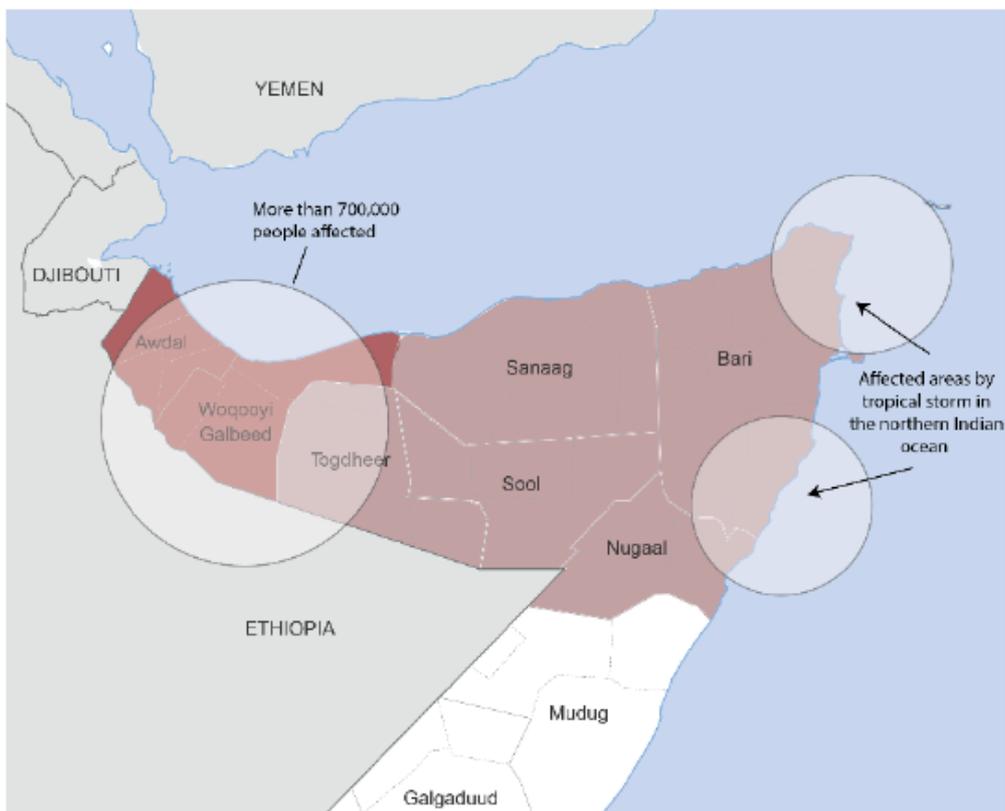
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**Map**



Awadal region lies within the biggest circle on the map where Lughaya district is located<sup>3</sup>

**Conclusions**

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The survival boxes and aqua filters were very helpful for short term response. This was because just after the cyclone the clinics and water sources had been destroyed. Whilst partners are working through the recovery phase of the cyclone, targeted households are treating drinking water thus reducing the likelihood of AWD (Acute Watery Diarrhoea) which is endemic in Somalia.

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