

United Nations Development Programme

Country: KENYA

Emergency Response to Drought and Food Crisis Project Document.

Project Title	Emergency response to severe drought and food affected regions of Kenya Project.
UNDAF Outcome(s):	UNDAF OUTCOME 2.2: Humanitarian impact and risk of natural and human made disasters reduced.
Expected CP Outcome(s):	1) C.P 2.2.2: Disaster Risk Reduction effectiveness enhanced at national, provincial and district levels 2) C.P. 3.1: Equitable livelihoods opportunities and food security, with a focus on vulnerable groups, enhanced and sustained.
Expected Output(s):	Output 1: Enhanced capacity for coordinated Early Recovery Response. Output 2: Enhanced livelihoods restoration initiatives for socio-economic recovery for affected communities.
Executing Entity:	UNDP
Implementing Agencies:	Ministry of Northern Kenya and other Arid Lands, MOSSP, FAO, Ministry of Agriculture.

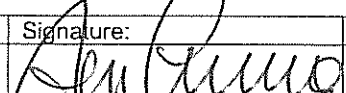
Brief Description

Project Summary: i) Objective; ii) Outputs; iii) Activities; iv) Inputs

i) The overall objective of this project is to contribute to the Emergency response to the severe drought and food affected regions of Kenya through enhancing the capacity for conducting early recovery needs assessment and coordinated early recovery activities. Achievement of the stated objectives will contribute to the broader CPAP outcome of Effectiveness of Emergency Preparedness, Response and Early Recovery for communities enhanced in at least 60 severe drought and food crisis districts. The programme will support Early Recovery Needs Assessment., Early Recovery coordination and technical assistance and proposal development for further response. ii) The Project will produce 2 outputs to achieve its objective: i) enhanced capacity for coordinated Early Recovery Response, ii) Enhanced livelihoods restoration initiatives for socio-economic recovery for affected communities.

Programme Period: October 2009 -31 st March 2010
Key Result Area (Strategic Plan): Crisis Prevention and Recovery
Atlas Award ID: 00072473
Start date: October 2009
End Date : 31st March 2010
Management Arrangements: _____

Total resources required	\$50,000
Total allocated resources:	\$50,000
• Regular	_____
• Other:	
o Donor	BCPR
o Donor	_____
o Donor	_____
o Government	_____
Unfunded budget:	_____
In-kind Contributions	_____

Agreed by UNDP:	Aeneas C. Chuma Resident Representative	Signature: 	Date: 2/10/09
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Background and context

The Project proposal is set against the background that Kenya is currently facing a severe drought and food crisis due to poorly distributed rainfall and livestock diseases that has greatly affected grain and livestock production in the grain basket areas, pastoral and marginal pastoral areas of Kenya. Late and below average rains, from March to July, in most parts of Kenya in particular and also other East African Countries has greatly affected agricultural activities and hindered crop growth. The low cumulative rainfall has also led to water shortages in pastoral areas of northern and south-eastern Kenya. The current scarcity of adequate pasture has led to worsening body conditions of livestock and consequently reduced good market prospects, directly impacting pastoralists' incomes and their ability to access staple foods. In addition, the prices of maize in June 2009 were almost double their level 24 months earlier. Given a low household purchasing power, a worsening of the overall food security situation throughout the country is expected. Over 3.5 million people currently depend on food assistance in the region. The above factors are expected to aggravate the situation, especially with respect to marginal farmers, pastoralists and low-income urban dwellers.

A positive change in this scenario will very much depend on rainfall conditions in the coming few months. This may result in the incidence of El Niño weather phenomenon. The occurrence of El Niño usually brings heavy rains towards the end of the year and early into the next one. This usually results in floods and mudslides damaging crops, both in the field and in stores, and increasing the number livestock losses together with damage to infrastructure and housing.

Justification.

Consecutive failed rainfalls together with exhausted national grain reserve, disease outbreaks have seriously impacted household's food security and agricultural production in Kenya. As a result, the urgent and immediate need to respond and address the current drought crisis and food insecurity has significantly increased across the country, including areas that were traditionally not significantly affected by acute drought and food crisis (Rift valley, Central, coast and eastern provinces). There are over 3.5 million people in need of food assistance according to the short rains assessment carried in July 2009. Recurrent drought and arrival of refugees have put additional strains on the already limited livelihood resources of communities living and affected by the current drought crisis across various parts of Kenya. The food security situation is expected to deteriorate since short rains support Agricultural productivity in the food production areas.

In response, on 18 August 2009 the Government of Kenya launched KSh24billion appeal for relief food aid after declaring famine a national disaster.

This proposal seeks to seek US\$50,000 to allow UNDP to provide an immediate response in support of Government of Kenya appeal efforts and initiatives targeting 10 million people of Kenya. With the immediate support from BCPR, the proposed project will strive within the next 6 months year to achieve the following :

- Enhanced capacity for conducting early recovery needs assessment and coordinated early recovery activities;
- Formulate a continued early recovery/recovery programme beyond the initial six month period.

Deliverables/Activities that will funded from BCPR Resources:

USD 50,000 will applied to support the following:

- Early Recovery Needs Assessment.
- Early Recovery coordination and technical assistance.
- Proposal Development for further response.

RESULTS AND RESOURCE FRAMEWORK, October 2009 – March 2010.

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Expected Output	Key Activities	Timeframe			Responsible Party	Budget Description	Amount
		Q 4	Q 1	Q 2			
1. Enhanced capacity for coordinated Early Recovery Response	1.1 Assessment	x			UNDP in support of Ministry of Special Programme, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Northern Kenya and other Arid Land TA	National consultant. Professional services including the cost for meetings, communication and local travel costs	15,000
	1.2 Coordination	x	x		UNDP in support of Ministry of Special Programme, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Northern Kenya and other Arid Land TA	National consultant. Professional services including cost for meetings, communication and local travel.	20,000
	1.3 Proposal development for further response.	x			UNDP in support of Ministry of Special Programme, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Northern Kenya and other Arid Land TA	Cost for stakeholder consultation and communication.	15,000
Total							USD\$50,000