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The Relief Report of Somali Famine 2011





The continuation of the Horn of Africa Famine threatens more than 10 Million people



The Horn of Africa

Horn of Africa area, includes Kenya, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Djibouti and Somalia, is considered one of the most suffering of famine areas in the world. The famine of 2011 is considered the worst famine struck the horn of Africa in 60 years.

The U.N report considered the area of horn of Africa is a famine area whereas the number of the harmed people exceeded 3 million people as if it continued; it would threaten more than 10 million people.

The Somalia is one of the most harmed country of famine because of continuing wars that drove thousands of residents to emigrate in searching of safety and food after the death of thousands of people and perishing hundreds of thousands of their animals that were depending on it. The southern area is the most suffering one in famine.

Directaid is working in Africa for more than 30 years Direct Aid Society



Direct Aid Society

Based on its human duty, the direct Aid directed to Somalia from the early beginning of eighties of the last century, it considered the largest institutions in the fields of education, health and relief. It established a lot of relief centers, medical clinics and schools in all educational stages as they also founded university colleges in five scientific specifications that graduated thousands of male and female students.

According to the field reports, Direct Aid intervened from early times to ease the effects of famine through opening food centers in the drought areas. The concern was focused on children and women especially mothers and pregnant.

In addition to food centers, Direct Aid had set a program for distributing canned food to harmed people in all areas.



Thanks to Allah, we distributed more than 8000 tones of medicines and foods

Public Nutrition Centers (cooked food)

Those centers are delivering cooked food for flees from famine in various areas of the country, it classifies according to the kind of benefits as follows:

Children supplemental Nutrition Centers. Mothers and pregnant Nutrition Centers.

Public Nutrition Program

This program emerged after the first appearance of severe famine. It was opened around 20 centers in all areas where they deliver one cooked meal for every beneficent. These centers covers Mogadishu, lower shabelle, Bageen and Tobli. The meal is consisting of these main ingredients:

Corn	Flour	sesame oil	Beans
Rice	Sugar	Milk	Oil

With 713 tones.



Special Nutrition program

This program is designed to nurture children who are infected of malnutrition in addition to nursing mothers and pregnant. This program has been begun since June 2011; it benefited more than 70,800 of children and women.

Children supplemental Nutrition Centers

Direct Aid had signed an agreement for a year with "UNICEF" and" OCHA" to open Supplemental Nutrition Centers for children who are harmed of famine, those centers are distributing medicines and high-nutrition value foods. This agreement is executed in Gedo" and Lower Shabelle for a whole year on two phases:

First phase begins from June to December 2011.

Second phase begins from January to June 2012, it includes 18 sites distributed on two provisions, and it benefited more than 6222 person until December 2011.



Allocated more than 10 million \$ for relief in the Horn of Africa

The distribution of relief in kind

In the framework of supporting the famine victims, Direct Aid provides the following services:

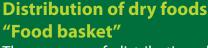
Distributing blankets and clothes as well as plastic covers to secure them form rain.

Delivering fresh water to refugee camps in Mogadishu and other areas.

Establishing clinics and distributing medicines to patients of refugees in nutrition centers directed by First Aid in Mogadishu and other areas.

Sacrifices Project

As an annual custom, Direct Aid had initiated sacrifices project in the famine areas and inside the refugee camps in Somalia. The project benefited more than 12,600 family.



The process of distributing dry foods is considered the best effective way to ease the impact of famines because of the kind and quantity of the distributed foods.

We distribute foods sufficient for more than 2 months of food for every family; the food basket consists of (food basket components).

Kind of food	Quantity for 5 individuals family	
Corn Flour	25-50 kg	
Wheat flour	25kg	
Rice	25kg	
Sugar	10kg	
Cooking oil	6-10kg	
Dates	6kg	

The total numbers of beneficent of food baskets are 380.000 persons.





More than 800 people a day are being treated in the centers of Assembly

Health care

In reference to the deteriorated medical situations, lack of clinics and the spread of diseases, Direct Aid had sent a cargo of medicines from Kuwait to Somalia estimated with \$50,000 that benefited thousands of needy in different medical centers.

In the framework of cooperation, Direct Aid had signed an agreement with the Arab physician union to provide medical teams to provide health and medical care for more than 800 refugees daily who are treated in clinics inside relief centers in Mogadishu. To support medical institutions in Somalia, Direct Aid had equipped "Banader" hospital in the capital Mogadishu and providing it with 130 clinical beds whereas the hospital was suffering of a crucial shortage of beds.

Programs of medical and nutrition Qualification

In addition to the program of supplemental nutrition and in the same frame of the agreement with "UNICEF" and "OCHA". Direct Aid had held intensive courses under the title:

"Integrated management for severe malnutrition". To Qualify both of:

Workers in health field.

Mothers in nutrition field.

This program benefited 139 of personnel in relief field and 120 in the health field and 165 women, the total number is 415 trainees, they are represent the first graduation of the training program. Around 415 trainees will be trained in the second phase of the training program.



Sending a relief ship loaded with 4000 tons to help more than 60 thousand families.



Ship of food products

First Aid had sent, during November 2011, a ship loaded with 4000 tons of food products and clothes. The value of this load reached to around \$8million.

Because of the size of the ship and the importance of what it carries of necessary materials, it took a great concern of local and international media that said that the event is the greatest contribution of First Aid in this famine. It is expected to benefit more than 60.000 families in all areas.

This ship is sent in cooperation with the Turkish charity institution "IHH" and the group of "Gawafl".

This caravan had a great role in the contribution of easing the impact of famine.

First Aid is still contributing in the relief efforts in the horn of Africa.

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