



Federal Government of Somalia

Somali Crisis Recovery Project (SCRP)  
Towards Recovery and Resilience Building in Somalia

CONTINGENCY EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMPONENT (CERC)



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# BACKGROUND

## CERC Objectives:

It seeks to tackle the spread of Covid-19 and limit its impact on the lives of the Somali population as well as on the economy and livelihoods.

The total allocated fund for CERC is \$20.5 million, spread across 8 activities, and is being implemented by either the government (FMoH and the PIU) or UN agencies (UNICEF, IOM and WHO).

# PROGRESS AS PER THE IMPLEMENTING AGENCY

## I. WHO

- : Purchase of PHEOC equipment for federal member states,
  - Expansion of community health workers reach across more districts.
  - RRTs deployed across many communities to conduct surveillance activities.
  - Procurement of laboratory equipment such as PCR machines and RNA extraction machines.
  - Procurement of interagency health kits (IEHKs)
  - Supporting a total of 24 technical specialists from all states to serve as technical advisors to their respective governments on technical aspects of the COVID-19 response in line with their fields of specialty, etc.

## ...SUMMARY OF PROGRESS MADE

### **2. UNICEF**

- So far, UNICEF made good progress towards the implementation of their activities through:
  - Commencement of RCCE activity implementation, further to review and approval of plans submitted by SMOHs, BRA, and FMOH.
  - Completed procurement of WASH supplies and procurement of hygiene kits.
  - Transportation of supplies to targeted state warehouse for distribution being completed before end of Dec 2021.

## ...SUMMARY OF PROGRESS MADE

### 3. IOM

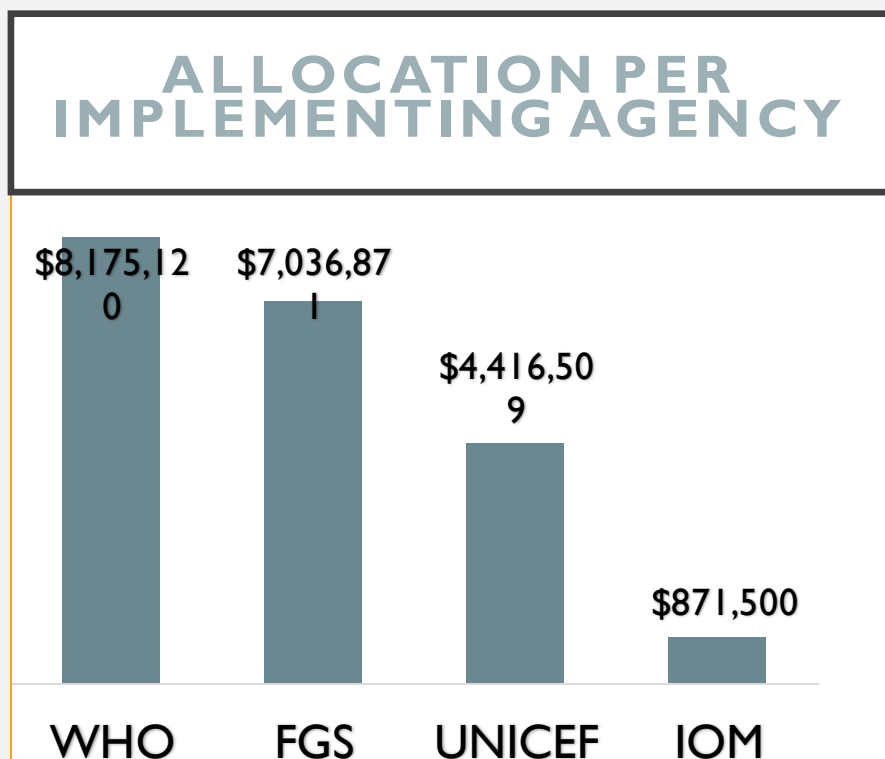
- Like UNICEF, there have been delays in the process of disbursing funds to IOM's account brought upon by some technical impediments but that has since been rectified.
- IOM is implementing just \$871,500 worth of activities which is by far the least in all of CERC. Their progress is nearing its final stages. So far IOM has done the following:
  - Purchase of thermal scanners completed with plans to hand them over to three intended states (Hirshabelle, Jubbaland and Southwest).
  - Installation of thermal scanners and training of technical staff to operate and maintain them in the three mentioned states.
  - Shipment of oxygen plant to Galmudug state under way and construction of facility to house the plant already done.

# ...SUMMARY OF PROGRESS MADE

## 4. FGS

- While initially allocated just over \$2 million, an additional \$5 million was made to the FGS budget in February of this year as a result of the rising emergency cases during the second Covid wave.
- Though delays in implementation of FGS were caused by late recruitment of MoH SCRP staff as well as procurement processes and other impediments, so far the FGS has accomplished:
  - Recruited technical specialists at state level to be paid through CERC activities under WHO.
  - Responded to Covid-19 emergencies at hospitals throughout second and third waves by way of covering operation costs at main Covid-19 hospitals.
  - Made an agreement framework with an oxygen vendor to respond to rising deaths as a result of shortage of oxygen supply at martini hospital.
  - Is in the process of finalizing procurement of oxygen plants for two of the federal member states.
  - Rehabilitation of key storage facilities in FMS are underway
  - Is in the final stage of procuring key Covid-19 essentials such as medicines and PPEs

## Allocation per Implementing agency and Disbursement Allocation



**TENTATIVE DISBURSEMENT STATUS**

Institutions	Allocation	PaidAmount	Balance	% Utilized
WHO	8,175,120.00	8,175,120.00	0.00	100%
UNICEF	4,416,508.86	4,416,508.86	0.00	100%
IOM	871,500.00	871,500.00	0.00	100%
FGS	7,036,871.14	861,977.10	6,174,894.04	12%
<b>Total Amount</b>	<b>20,500,000.0</b>	<b>\$ 14,325,105.96</b>	<b>\$ 6,174,894.04</b>	<b>70%</b>

N.B: MoF has completed the disbursement process of IOM and UNICEFF, the creation of commitment at the client-connection is remaining with the Bank

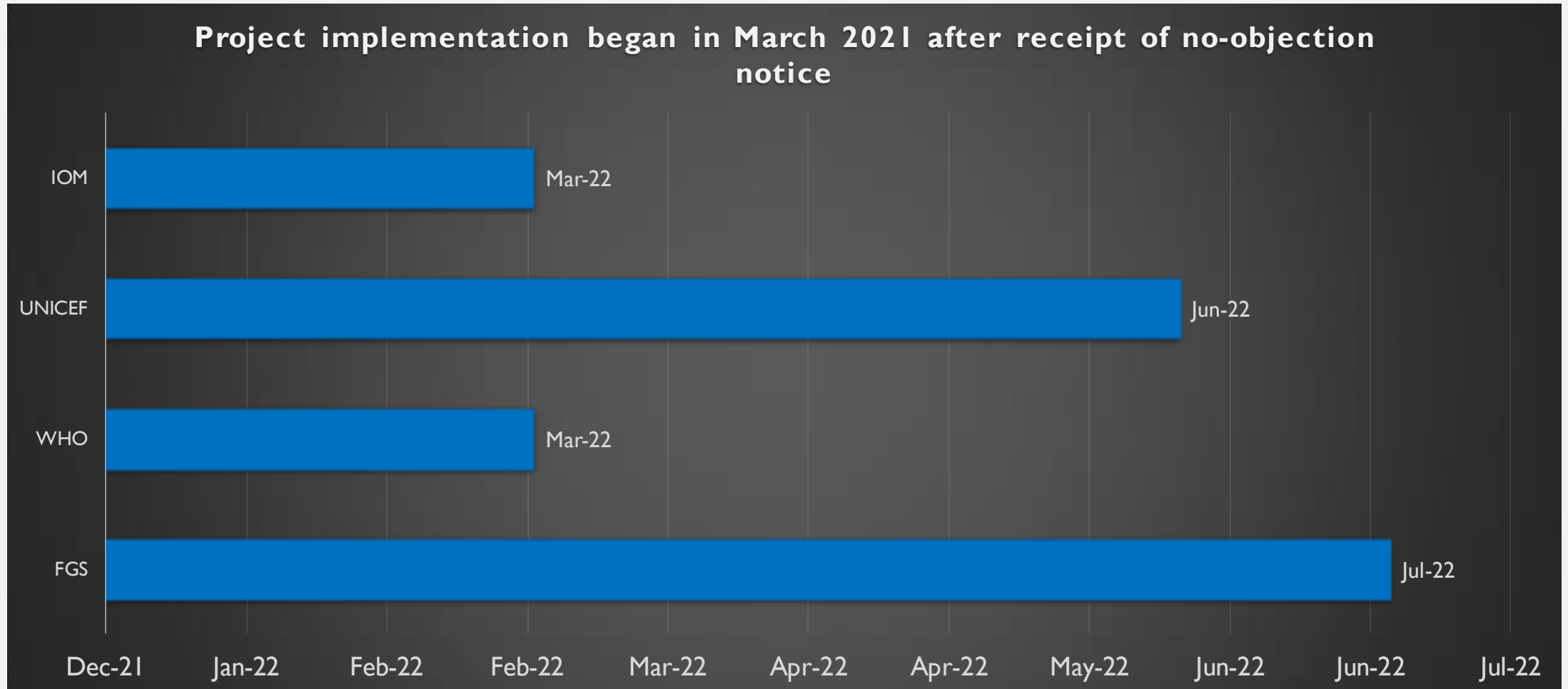
- ✓ FGS commitments: There are pending invoices of Oxygen supplies, locally made facemask and Hygiene supplies which almost totaling \$700,000 which we are expected to be paid early December 2021.



## UTILIZATION OF FUNDS PER IP AS OF NOV, 2021

Agency	Utilization of funds %
FGS	23%
WHO	64%
UNICEF	42%
IOM	68%

# PROJECT EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE(S) BY IP



## CRITICAL CARE UNIT (CCU)

- The CCU is the 3<sup>rd</sup> component of SCRP that is meant to compliment progress made through CERC and is part of a greater effort to strengthen the institutional capacity and preparedness of governmental ministries agencies and departments to respond to various emergencies including health related ones.
- The health component in CCU is \$17 million that is spread across six activities to be implemented by the ministry of health and WHO.
- The primary aim of this component is to improve case management through strengthening the health sector's hospital and laboratory capacity.
- Over its three year plan, hospitals across the country will be equipped with both the supplies and human resource required to respond to both the short term and long-term effects of Covid-19 in Somalia.

# CRITICAL CARE UNIT

- In June 2021, after weeks of planning, we submitted a work-plan to the world bank detailing our objectives for strengthening the health system's response to Covid-19.
- Though preliminary reviews and assessments were conducted by the world bank, we still do not have the no-objection to begin implementation of CCU.

## KEY CHALLENGES

- Late recruitment of Project staff (Coordinator, Advisor, financial specialist, and communications) – **Late March 2021**.
- **No direct communication** between FMOH and the WB regarding implementation of the project. The project PIU is in MoF causing delays in executing emergency procurement of products and services
- Lack of separate procurement processes for emergency activities—both at the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Finance—**ONLY ONE PROCUREMENT SOPs**.

## NEXT STEPS

- No cost extension (NCE) request and discussions (ongoing)
- Discussions with the WB and MOF regarding modalities for fast-tracking CERC activities (now in process)
- Documentation on Lessons Learned and best practices
- Discussions on linkages with DAMAL CAAFIMAAD and COVID EMERGENCY VACCINES AND VACCINATIONS.
- Initiate FEDERAL MEMBER STATES discussions on CCU implementation.