



# DFID in Somalia

## Winter Update 2014/15

### UK Development Results

Results for 2011-2015 thanks to UK aid from the British people. All figures from DFID's Operational Plan December 2014 or more recent sources.

**In 2013/2014 DFID spent £83.5m in Somalia.**

#### GIRLS AND WOMEN

**12,500 women** benefitted from legal assistance since 2013.

**100,000 modern contraceptives products will be distributed to women** by the end of 2015.

#### JOBS AND GROWTH

**107,274 jobs** have been created since May 2011 and a further **45,000 new private sector jobs** will be created by the end of 2015.

**Private sector investment** will increase through public-private partnerships.

#### GOVERNANCE

**4.1 million people** will benefit from community development plans endorsed by local governments by the end of 2015.

#### HUMANITARIAN

**60,000 starving children** will benefit from humanitarian prevention programmes each year.

#### PEACE AND STABILITY

**Over £30 million** is being provided to a multi-donor Stability Fund to strengthen local governance and support security, political and development projects.



**Dr Ahmed Adan Ahmed, Acting Minister of Health, Somalia, at the Girl Summit 2014.**

### COUNTRY CONTEXT

**Population – 12.3 million.**

**Somalia is the world's most fragile state** and is unlikely to meet any of the Millennium Development Goals.

**43% of people live on less than \$1 a day.**

**The unemployment rate is above 60%.**

**1.1 million people are internally displaced** as a result of conflict and famine.

**Women have a 1 in 10 chance of dying** during their reproductive years.

**870,000 people** need emergency support, and 2.3 million are at risk.

### NEWS

#### July 2014

At the Girl Summit in London, Somali Government officials and civil society organizations joined world leaders in committing to end child, early and forced marriage and all forms of FGM within a generation.

#### August 2014

The UK became the joint lead donor on the New Deal Framework.

#### September 2014

The UK will support Somalia in improving its justice systems. This will cover South Central Somalia where mobile courts will operate for the first time.

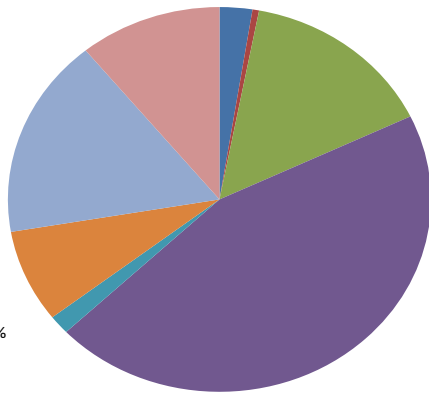
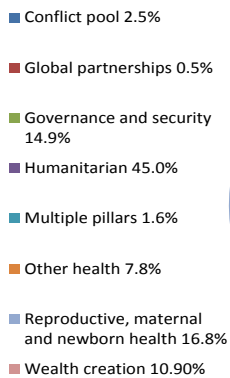
#### October 2014

£6 million disbursed to support core government functions and help the government meet the recurrent costs of civil service salaries.

## WHERE UK AID MONEY GOES

### Somalia programmes by sector 2012-13

Total spend £80.2 million



In May 2014 the DFID and Foreign Office Permanent Secretaries had their first joint visit to Somalia. They had meetings with President Hassan Sheikh Mohamud and Prime Minister Abdiweli Sheikh Ahmed.

DFID Permanent Secretary Mark Lowcock said:

*“Somalia’s Federal Government has an ambitious plan in place. Agreed at the New Deal for Somalia conference last year, the roadmap for reconstruction will ensure Somalia gets the support and advice it needs to recover from decades of conflict. Normalising Somalia’s relations with the IMF and World Bank is a key part of that, and the UK will continue to provide support in this area.”*

## DFID’S APPROACH

DFID aims to promote long-term stability and transform the lives of poor Somalis. DFID’s programme focuses on governance and peace-building, wealth and job creation, health care (particularly for women and children) and humanitarian assistance. By working in these areas, we aim to reduce the impact of humanitarian crises, support delivery of basic services, promote economic growth, and support the creation of a democratic, accountable government. Helping Somalia to recover from years of civil war by improving security, rebuilding the institutions of state and delivering services also reduces the space in which piracy and terrorism can operate.

As part of the UK cross-government team, we work with like-minded governments and other partners, such as NGOs, in support of a coherent international approach to political, development and humanitarian issues. We will continue to offer leadership in the international community to reshape the partnership with the Federal Government of Somalia through the implementation of the New Deal Compact.



A paediatric ward in Berbera region supported by the UK.

## MORE INFORMATION

The UK coalition government believes that international development is not just the right thing to do, but the smart thing to do. It is in all our interests for countries around the world to be stable and secure, to have educated and healthy populations and to have growing economies. We’re ending the need for aid by creating jobs, unlocking the potential of girls and women and leading the global effort to help save lives when humanitarian emergencies hit.

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Information on the work of the Action Group on Cross Border remittances can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/policies/helping-developing-countries-economies-to-grow/supporting-pages/enabling-the-continued-flow-of-remittances>

This country brief: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dfid-in-somalia-winter-update-201415>

DFID Somalia's Operational Plan: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dfid-somalia-operational-plan-2014>

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