HIGHLIGHTS
- Cluster identified 3.4M as a cluster PIN which consists of 3.1M IDPs and 277,642 non-displaced people during the 2019 HRP.
- Cluster has targeted 2.7M consisting of 2.2M IDPs, 143,050 non-displaced and 395,950 Returnees.
- Cluster’s overall funding requirement for the year 2019 is $112 Million to address ESNFI needs, up to now 26% only covered.
- Shelter/NFI Cluster assisted 38% out of 2.7M IDPs and Returnees across six Regions.
- Since April 2019, the government-led returns process resulted the returnees of 1.6 million IDPs to their place of origin.
- The Mid-Year revision conducted in July, to capture the new change in the context, the preliminary result shows that, cluster identified 3.32M as a cluster PIN, out of that cluster has targeted 2.47M consisting of 1.09M Returnees, 1.08M IDPs and 0.30M non-displaced.
- The cluster conducted a returnee needs assessment across East and west Hararge zones.
- The cluster standardized its shelter repair and reconstruction packages to address the longer-term need returnee.
- The Cluster published its two years strategic plan with the aim to strengthen the link between Emergency Response with Early Recovery.
- Cluster led the development of WASH and Shelter multi-sectoral kits.

KEY FIGURES
- Cluster partners: 23
- Funding:
  - Total funding required: $112.0 M
  - Funded: 3%
  - Source: Cluster appeal, OCHA FTS, Partner's internal funding, 5Ws

KEY DATES
- 2007: Activation of Cluster, IOM and UNICEF as co-leads (2010 IOM as cluster lead)
- July 2010: Designated Government Counterpart
- September 2017: Cluster’s Cash and Technical Working Group Established
- March 2019: Launch of Humanitarian Needs Overview [HNO] and Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP)

KEY DOCUMENTS
- Ethiopia Country Profile
- Standard composition of the Emergency shelter and non-food items kit
- 2019 Ethiopia HNO Executive Summary
- 2019 Ethiopia Humanitarian Response Plan

KEY LINKS
- Country page on HumanitarianResponse.info
- Country page on ReliefWeb
- Country page on ShelterCluster

COVERAGE AGAINST TARGETS

NEED ANALYSIS

There has been series of recorded flood incidences resulting to new displacement, due to the increased rainfall intensity across several zones, especially in Somali region. This has led many to remain in dire need of life-sustaining shelter and NFI assistance.

Re-displacement in key return areas of Wellegas has spiked the need for urgent shelter assistance. Secondarily displaced population have moved into several hosting communities, mostly renting houses with derailed financial capacity to continue coping. While significant number of the affected population have returned, an undetermined number of IDPs remain dispersed within several host communities. There is insufficient information available on their situation and coping strategies adopted, nevertheless; if the current situation in terms of access and fragility of the security remains the same, these IDPs are at risk of further displacement and humanitarian crises due to depletion of resources and the exhaustion of host-family capacities.

Significant number of returnee population from Gedeo into West Guji has escalated the need for shelter reconstruction or repairs support. Funding constraints and resource limitations to respond to the dire need have left many to remain in critical condition. According to loss and damage reports received from local authorities, the number of assessed houses damaged has significantly increased from 16,000 to 21,500.

Due to the fragility of context, sustainability of assistance in areas remains limited or non-existent, which alongside limits community peace-building and is affecting the sustainability of returns. The priority intervention locations for the cluster are East Wellega, West Wellega East Hararge, West Hararge, Borena, Benishangul, Dawa, West Guji and Gedeo.
Shelter & NFI cluster continued to coordinate the effective delivery of relevant and culturally appropriate shelter solution to address the severe needs of its target population. Between January 2019 and September 2019, the cluster has progressively assisted 1,021,393 vulnerable displacement affected population; inclusive of IDP’s and returnees across Afar, Amhara, Benishangul gumuz, Oromia, Somali, SNNP and Tigray regions respectively. Component of response includes Cash/vouchers, and full ES/NFI kits (589,501), partial ES/NFI kits (398,159) and (33,733) with shelter reconstruction and repair support. With this, the shelter & NFI cluster has achieved 38% of its target for the 2019 Response plan.

GAPS / CHALLENGES

A combination of factors ranging from insufficient funding, absence of loss and damage information in return areas, restricted access to vulnerably displaced population, fragility of security situation, frequent population movement and heavy rainfalls (in some regions) continue to pose significant challenge for Shelter & NFI cluster partners to address overwhelming needs and gap. In addition, limited resources to address the frequent needs of climate induced displacement remains a challenge for the cluster. Resurgence of ethnic conflict, after a period of clam in key return areas limits the delivery of timely shelter and settlement response. Housing, Land and Property (HLP) issues remains a bottleneck to provide longer lasting shelter solution to many-affected population. Secondary occupation of homes, Loss of land and titled documents were spotted as critical challenges to delivering timely repair/reconstruction assistance to vulnerable returnee population.