

REPORT ON DISTRIBUTION OF FAMINE RELIEF FOOD TO VICTIMS OF DROUGHT IN BARINGO PHASE II



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PROJECT PROFILE

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Geographical coverage:	Baringo.
Intended Beneficiaries:	800 Households.
Funding level:	Ksh 1,000,000.
Donor:	Apostle Harold Eckhardt and Ann Eckhardt.
Brief Outline:	The purpose of the project is to distribute food (Maize, beans, rice and cooking oil) and non food items (clothes, shoes, books) to families affected by drought in Baringo.
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1.0 BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

1.1 Background

Kujenga Maisha East Africa (Kumea) was established and registered in Kenya in June 2010 as an NGO for the new Apostolic Church; East Africa District, It grew out of the relief and humanitarian efforts of the church that had been going on for five years. KUMEA is a faith based NGO; it operates beyond the boundaries of the New Apostolic Church. It brings together people of all faiths and persuasions without discrimination.

Kenya is a drought-prone country, primarily because of its peculiar eco-climatic conditions. Although dissected by the equator in its southern half, Kenya contains only a few pockets of high and regular rainfall (>2000mm). Arid and semi-arid lands (ASALs) cover 80% of the territory. In these areas, where annual rainfall varies from 200 to 500 mm, periodical droughts are part of the climate system.

From January 2017, the Country was affected by severe drought with an estimated 2.7 million people affected. This was due to poor performance of the short rains between November and December 2016 in the arid and semi-arid zones. The drought situation has continued to affect both pastoral and marginal agriculture livelihood zones (the North Western, Northern, North Eastern, South Eastern and parts of Coast) with an impact on households' food availability as well as livestock productivity.

The drought was on 10th February declared a national disaster with calls being made for aid to counter the drought that is posing a major risk to people, livestock and wildlife. The Kenya Red Cross has estimated around 2.7 million people are in need of food aid after low rainfall in October and November and the next rainy season not due before April.

KUMEA intended to compliment the government efforts in alleviating the suffering of the drought victims by distributing relief food in Baringo where we currently have other humanitarian activities.

2.0 JUSTIFICATION FOR RELIEF FOOD DISTRIBUTION

The drought situation has caused massive losses of livelihood in 23 out of the 47 counties in Kenya. The accumulated impact of the drought has increased the vulnerability of the affected populations and communities, most of whom have lost their livestock as well as human life. This has not only contributed to exhausting of the communities coping mechanisms but has worsened their status of the given that they were already suffering from extreme poverty and deprivation even before the disaster.

3.0 PROJECT OBJECTIVE

Overall Objective

The overall objective of the emergency relief assistance is to provide food and non food items to drought victims in Moinonin and Lngarua in Baringo.

Project Purpose

Reduce the loss of lives to drought in Moinonin and Lngarua in Baringo.

4.0 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROJECT

4.1 Arrangements prior distribution

Wakefield Apeta who is the liason person for KUMEA and a member of the New Apostolic Church was given the responsibility to provide names of beneficiaries in Moinonin and Lngarua. KUMES announced the request for quotations for 54 bags of maize and 28 bags of beans. The company with the lowest priced quotation was contracted. 50 bags of rice and 800 pieces of cooking oil was purchased at Nyerere shop in Marigat town.

4.2 Arrangements during the distribution

KUMEA staff assisted by Wakefield Apeta selected beneficiaries and coordinated the distribution exercise. The beneficiaries' details (name and ID number) were confirmed with the register before the food and non food items were issued to them. The food and non food items were distributed to a total of 500 beneficiaries.

As per the above implementation plan, KUMEA team successfully distributed food and non food items to 500 families within the specific timeline.

4.3 Table showing distribution status

DISTRIBUTION CENTRES	PLANNED HHs		HHs SERVED		TOTAL	NO. OF MAIZE-90KG BAG	NO. OF BEANS-90KG BAG	NO. OF BAGS OF RICE	NO. OF ½ LITRE COOKING OIL	Remarks
			Male	Female						
MOINONIN	500		162	341	503	34	18	25	400	More Households Served than targeted.
LNGARUA	300		96	219	315	20	10	25	400	More Households Served than targeted.
Totals	800		258	560	818	54	28	50	800	

The pictures below show the actual distribution of food to the beneficiaries.

4.3.1 Distribution of maize and beans to drought victims at the New Apostolic Church in Moinonin.



Area Chief distributing food at New Apostolic Church Moinonin donated by Apostle Harold Eckhardt and Ann Eckhardt.



Clothes donated by New Apostolic Church members in Nairobi.



Victims of drought lining up for relief food at Moinonin with the assistance of Kenya Defence Force.



The elderly in the society receiving food from Shepherd Apeta in Lngarua.

4.3.2 Distribution of rice and cooking oil to drought victims at the New Apostolic Church in Moinonin.



Transportation of bags of rice and cooking oil to famine relief victims in Moinonin and Lngarua.



Bags of rice, ½ liter cooking oil donated by Apostle Harold Eckhardt and Ann Eckhardt .



Victims of drought in Moinonin receive relief food.



The elderly in the community receiving ½ liter cooking oil from the food donation in Moinonin.

4.3.3 Distribution of maize and beans to drought victims at the New Apostolic Church in Lngarua.



KUMEA officers Rosslyn and Benadette arrive with food aid in Lngarua.



Maize and beans ready for distribution in Lngarua



Victims of drought receiving maize and beans from the rector in Lngarua.



There were long lines during the distribution in Lngarua.

4.3.4 Distribution of rice and cooking oil to drought victims at the New Apostolic Church in Lngarua.



Victims of drought in Lngarua receiving bags of rice and ½ liter cooking oil donated by Apostle Harold Eckhardt and Ann Eckhardt.



Internally displaced people in Lngarua receiving bags of rice and ½ liter cooking oil.



The elderly in the community waiting to receive food donations in Lngarua.



Johnny Aura of KUMEA with beneficiaries of the food donations in Lngarua.

5.0 Visit to a victim of tribal clashes in Moinonin

The officers of KUMEA made a visit to one of the victims of tribal clashes between the Turgen and the Pokot in Moinonin. Christopher Barko was shot on the waist with the Pokot in Loruk. He has been at the National Spinal and Injury Hospital unit in Kenyatta Hospital for eight months. Christopher Barko has a bullet in his stomach which has affected his spinal cord. He is need of medical assistance which includes things like urine tubes, diapers and drugs for his wounds.



Christopher Barko who was shot with the Pokot during tribal clashes with Johnny Aura and Benadette Opeyo of KUMEA in Moinonin.

6.0 Appreciation of the food donation to the community

The beneficiaries were grateful to the donor for providing funds for food distribution. They were also happy with the methodology that KUMEA and the community representatives used to identify families affected with drought.

7.0 Findings while distributing famine relief food in Baringo

- Insecurity cases in Baringo county has reduced greatly as compared to previous months. Some of the people affected with insecurity have left the camps for displaced people and returned to their homes.
- People living near Turgen/ Pokot community borders have returned in to their homes and are still living in fear.
- Good rains have been experienced throughout the month making water to be available for domestic and animal use.
- Food shortage is still a challenge to most households since farmers have not been planting due to the persistent drought

8.0 Recommendations:

Based on the observation from the location, KUMEA team suggests the following:

1. Food security is still a challenge to many households. KUMEA office has not been able to distribute food Baringo North. Its highly recommended to distribute food to Bartabwaa. (Baringo North).
2. To empower the women in Baringo in vocational skills like tailoring and table banking in order to help in their economic recovery.
3. More attention to be given to women, children, the elderly and the disabled in the course of future emergency response.
4. Small and medium income generating enterprise programs should be implemented to enable the community to be economically empowered.