



## **Risk Watch Bulletin 001 – Somaliland Drought Situation**

Status: Slow-Onset Emerging Threat

Tracking Frequency: Every 3–5 days

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2025

### **Overview:**

Somaliland is currently experiencing a prolonged drought affecting multiple regions. Available public updates indicate pressure on water supply, livestock conditions, and potential displacement. Current information is based on publicly available communications from the Somaliland Ministry of Health Development, national media sources, and humanitarian situational briefings.

### **Risk Trajectory:**

The situation is evolving at a slow onset, with increasing humanitarian and public health implications. While immediate disease outbreaks are not confirmed, conditions may lead to heightened risk of future malnutrition, gastrointestinal diseases, and vector-borne illnesses.

### **Institutional Readiness:**

Preparedness messaging is emerging, although public reporting remains periodic rather than continuous. Data are communicated through episodic statements rather than real-time structured surveillance channels.

### **Public Health Implications:**

- Water scarcity impacting hygiene and sanitation
- Malnutrition risks increasing, particularly among children
- Potential strain on local health facilities as conditions escalate

### **Current Monitoring Focus:**

- Health system stress indicators
- Movement/displacement trends
- Presence of early warning communications
- Potential disease early signals

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