



Somalia: Facts and figures 2015

The ICRC's work in Somalia, in collaboration with the Somali Red Crescent Society, focuses on visiting detainees to monitor their living conditions and treatment, providing basic aid and medical care, improving access to water and sanitation, and reconnecting families separated by ongoing conflict.

Below is an overview of the ICRC's work in Somalia in 2015.

Developing economic security

- Provided economic support to 453,162 people through cash relief, cash for work, and cash grants
- Distributed food and essential household items to 190,242 people
- Delivered seeds, seedlings, and tools to 67,334 people to promote agriculture in the region
- Supported the bolstering of river banks with sandbags that benefitted 355,662 people
- Promoted livestock farming for 105,324 people through treatment of the stock, Tsetse fly control, animal health training, and providing veterinary kits

Visiting detainees and maintaining family contact

- Made 39 visits to places of detention to assess the living conditions of 4,275 people to ensure that they are treated humanely and with dignity
- Provided medical assistance to 13,627 detainees
- Delivered food and non-food materials to 8,137 detainees, which included meat, milk, sugar, dates, soap, toothpaste, t-shirts, and footballs
- Improved the living conditions of 260 detainees through increased water supply, better sanitation, and an outing facility
- Reestablished contact with relatives for 70,496 people with the support of the SRCS through Red Cross Messages (RCMs), phone calls, and tracing services which included reading names in the "Missing Persons" radio program on BBC Somali

Supporting health care

- Provided quality medical supplies to 17 hospitals and 32 Somali Red Crescent Society (SRCS) clinics that benefitted 462,002 people
- Supported 4 hospitals which have seen a total of 4,029 weapon-wounded cases and conducted 17,261 outpatient consultations
- Addressed 3,081 of severely malnourished cases with complications

Improving water and sanitation services

- Completed 31 borehole and well projects that delivered clean water to 114,706 people in Somalia
- 93,180 people benefitted from 27 surface and rain water harvesting projects
- Rehabilitated water infrastructure and promoted hygiene that benefitted 4,148 people in captivity in places of detention

Promoting compliance with international humanitarian law (IHL)

- 624 officers received information on IHL through education sessions and distribution of ICRC publications on code of conduct in armed conflict