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PROTECTING
LIFE AND
DIGNITY





IRK Vision, Mission and Values

VISION

Inspired by our Islamic faith, we envisage a caring world where communities are empowered, social obligations are fulfilled and people respond as one to the suffering of others.

MISSION

Exemplifying our Islamic values we will mobilize resources, build partnerships and develop local capacity as we work to:

- Enable communities to mitigate the effect of disasters, prepare for their occurrence and respond by providing relief, protection and recovery.
- Promote integrated development and environmental custodianship with a focus on sustainable livelihoods.
- Support the marginalized and vulnerable to voice their needs and address root causes of poverty.

CORE VALUES OF OFFICE

We allocate these resources regardless of race, political affiliation, gender or belief, and without expecting anything in return

Following Prophetic Guidance: We remain guided by the timeless values and teachings provided by the revelations contained within the Qur'an and prophetic example, most specifically:

• **Social Justice (Adl):**

Our work is founded on enabling people and institutions to fulfil the rights of people who are poor and vulnerable. We work to empower the dispossessed towards realizing their God-given human potential and developing their capabilities and resources.

• **Sincerity (Ikhlas):**

In responding to poverty and suffering, our efforts are driven by sincerity to God and the need to fulfil our obligations to humanity.

• **Excellence (Ihsan):**

Our actions in tackling poverty are marked by excellence in our operations and conduct which is deserving of the people we serve.

• **Compassion (Rahma):**

We believe the protection and well-being of every life is of paramount importance and we shall join with other humanitarian actors to act as one in responding to suffering brought on by disasters, poverty and injustice.

• **Custodianship (Amana):**

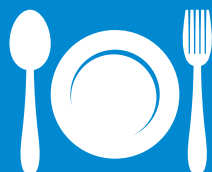
We uphold our duty of custodianship over the earth, its resources and the trust people place in us as humanitarian and development practitioners to be transparent and accountable.

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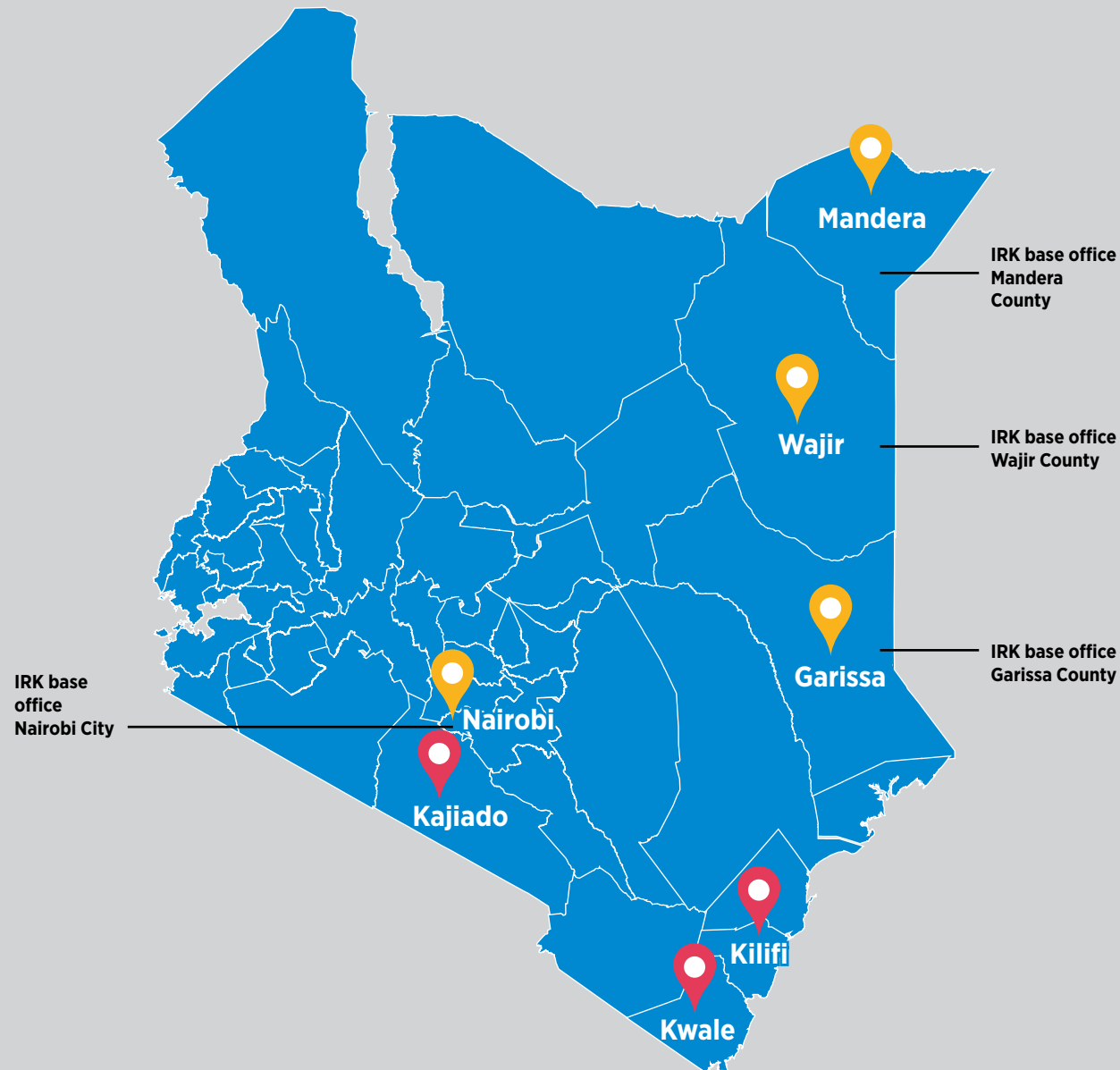


ABBREVIATIONS



AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
ANC	Antenatal Care
ASALs	Arid and Semi- Arid Lands
ASIK	Agro Solar Irrigation Technology
ARV	Antiretroviral
BH	Borehole
BP	Border Point
CBO	Community Based Organization
CCA	Climate Change Adaptations
CHW	Community Health Worker
CMDRR	Community Managed Disaster Risk Reduction
EBF	Exclusive Breast Feeding
GSLAs	Group Saving and Loans Associations
HCT	HIV Counseling and Testing
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
IR	Islamic Relief
IRK	Islamic Relief Kenya
IRUSA	Islamic Relief USA
MUAC	Middle Upper Arm Circumference
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
OCHA	Oce for the Coordination of Humanitarian Aairs
OMEP	Orphan Micro Enterprise Project
RBA	Rights Based Approach
SWFF	Securing Water for Food
WUA	Water Users Association
PMTCT	Prevention of Mother-To-Child Transmission
SFP	Supplementary Feeding Program

Areas of Operations





OBAIDUR RAHMAN

Country Director



Peace be upon you all!

It is a great pleasure to share with you Islamic Relief Kenya's programme achievements through this 2016 Annual Report. The report captures progress and a summary of key collective achievements towards realization of our Strategic Plan 2013-2016. It also provides learning of how Islamic Relief Kenya is working with communities to protect life and dignity through its emergency response, recovery and development programmes.

The external environment continued to be very dynamic, driven by high incidences of conflicts, poverty, severe drought and increasing inequality, affecting the lives of communities. Other challenges included rampant malnutrition throughout the region that has posed larger than life tasks for the already impoverished and asset deprived community members.

2016 was also a year in which the refugee crisis expanded significantly. The Kenyan Government disbanded Kenya's Department of Refugee Affairs and threatened to close the Dadaab refugee camp, home to nearly 0.5 million mostly Somali refugees. The declining funding contributing to food ration cuts, prompted thousands to leave Dadaab, only to face destitution and insecurity on return to Somalia. Conflict continued to fracture families, natural disasters devastated communities and millions of people still struggled in poverty. For the Islamic Relief family, these challenges only strengthened our determination to assist those in dire need of our help.

During the year, we achieved significant progress against our goals. Notable achievements were strong empowerment of communities through the Orphans Sponsorship programme, Micro-credit finance, Water and Sanitation, Nutrition and Health programmes among others.

In 2016, Islamic Relief reached over 600,000 people directly through delivery of sustainable development projects, to make a lasting difference in some of the poorest communities. The year was also a time for extensive advocacy and campaigning pushing for a safer, fairer environment through supporting the marginalized and vulnerable to voice their needs and address root causes of poverty and suffering. This, we believe, will enable us to continue to grow and make a lasting change in the fight against poverty and suffering.

None of our work would be possible if it were not for our dedicated supporters, volunteers and staff. We would like to pass on our sincerest thanks to the public for their generosity, and to multilateral and governmental partners for their ongoing support.

We call upon our development partners, well wishers and Islamic Relief family to continue supporting this struggle to ensure that we achieve a caring world where communities are empowered, social obligations are fulfilled and people respond as one to the suffering of others.

We are truly humbled by the trust placed in us to make a difference and, together, we will continue delivering impactful programmes that empower those that we exist to serve.



About Islamic Relief Kenya

IR-Kenya started operations in Kenya in 1993 on a one-to-one Orphans Sponsorship Programme through a local CBO in Mandera County, Northern Kenya. It opened its fully fledged office in March, 2006 at the height of drought in the Horn of Africa. Since then IR has been providing humanitarian and developmental assistance to the vulnerable communities. Over these years, it has implemented various developmental and relief activities in the region. This has remarkably changed the lives of the vulnerable and disadvantaged communities. In January 2010, IR extended its operation to Wajir County, neighboring Mandera. Again, in October 2011, the programme was extended to

Garissa County, with a focus to primarily support Refugees at the Daadab Camp (the largest refugee camp globally) and host communities at the neighborhood.

North Eastern Kenya is the least developed region in Kenya. The region generally has very poor infrastructure, rough roads, underdeveloped social amenities and a remote potential for improvement in the near future. Government efforts to improve the situation of arid regions are hampered by lack of funds and policy bias among other factors. The region is also affected by perennial border conflict in Somalia – Ethiopia, a situation that has led to increased insecurity. The region has faced numerous challenges such

as drought, flash flooding, inter clan and border conflicts. The impact of recurrent drought-related crises in North Eastern Kenya is rapidly escalating, with more and more people being affected with every occurrence. Drought is becoming more frequent, allowing less time for recovery in between and increasing the vulnerability of local populations. The current ability of pastoralists to respond to drought is limited not only due to the increasing frequency, but also due to an increasing population, a dwindling resource base, conflict, changes in access to land and water as well as the impact of other shocks such as flooding and disease outbreaks.

IR Kenya has tailored its programmes towards emergency response, recovery, and livelihood support. The programmes are aligned to respond to and comply with government developmental policies (such as Vision 2030), community focus, regional vision as well as Sustainable Development Goals. The focal programme areas since February 2006 have included; Nutrition and Health, Water and Sanitation, Orphans Sponsorship, Livelihoods programmes and Emergency and Relief Supplies. IR has ensured that its programmes target those who are most vulnerable in the most disadvantaged areas.

2016

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External context analysis

The greater Mandera, Wajir and Garissa Counties are part of the North Eastern region of Kenya, continuously displaying low development indicators, poverty and the prevalence of acute malnutrition that is significantly higher than for the rest of the country. Additionally the region is characterized with flash flooding, outbreak of diseases like Diarrhoea and Cholera that have over the years claimed many lives. Security restrictions and violent incidents have resulted in a challenging operational environment for NGO's, leading to the relocation of several non-local NGO staff as well as contributing to the shrinking humanitarian space.

Decades of conflict and violence in Somalia spill-over effect are primarily experienced in the North Eastern Counties due to their geography, ethnic proximity, and refugee influx. The instability in Somalia, the porous border, and population movements have caused the former region to face continuous insecurity. The area is one of the most chronically insecure zones of the country, characterized by high volatility through periodic outbursts of inter-communal violence, as well as external attacks.

The area has become inaccessible to staff deployed due to the frequent terrorist attacks in the area, leaving behind large gaps in the Health, Education and Nutrition sectors.



2016 Milestones at a Glance

Direct reach over 624,000

2752

SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS

2752 households improved their livelihoods through access to loans and agro solar kits

14,500

WATER AND SANITATION

6,000 households benefitted from access to Water and Sanitation

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EMERGENCY

4 strategic boreholes were dug in anticipation of a severe drought

700,000

Over 250,000 livestock had access to water

2871

CHILD WELFARE

2871 orphaned children enrolled in sponsorship programme while over 3800 orphans supported during the year.

70,320

Qurbani

Over 70,320 benefited from Qurbani food pack distribution

41,700

Ramadhan

Over 41,700 people benefitted from Ramadhan food pack distribution

36,767

EDUCATION

18 Primary Schools managed in IFO1 and IFO2 Camps. 36,767 children enrolled in pre-primary and primary

256,322

HEALTH AND NUTRITION

256,322 people accessed Health and Nutrition Services



Programmes

General Overview of the Country Programmes

IRK programmes are aimed at addressing the short-term needs in emergencies, the medium term needs through recovery programmes and the long term strategic needs of the poor through our long-term development interventions. Our emergency interventions stabilize populations who do not, in the short term, have the capacity to meet their basic material needs; mostly through targeted feeding programmes, distribution of relief supplies, interventions in water and public health targeting those suffering the effects of drought, flash floods and other disasters. Recovery and longer term development programmes aim to build the capacity of the poor to enable them to take responsibility for their own development needs – to make a sustainable impact on poverty. Through working in chronic food deficit areas and in the most disadvantaged areas, IRK has ensured that its programmes target those who are most vulnerable in the most disadvantaged areas.

The programmes are aligned to respond to & comply with government's emergency and developmental policies, community focus, IRW's strategic focus areas as well as the Global Sustainable Development Goals. The programmes include Child Welfare & Education, Health and Nutrition, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene, Secure Livelihoods (food security), Micro-Finance and Emergency Response.

Sustainable Community Empowerment

Goal: Empowering communities to emerge from poverty and vulnerability



A Secure Livelihoods and Food Security

To improve livelihood and resilience for target communities



is an innovative project that promotes Group Savings and Loans Associations (GSLA) model for smallholder farmers economic strengthening. The approach is promoting adoption of climate-smart agriculture using Agro Solar Irrigation Technology (ASIT) that promotes efficient food production using less water and energy. The project business model involves mobilizing farmers to work in GSLAs of 15-25 members, saving weekly or bi-weekly, adoption of Agro-Solar Irrigation Kits for crop production and market their produce jointly.

In 2016, 30 Group Saving and Loans Associations (GSLAs) consisting 618 smallholder farmers have been formed contributing to an average monthly saving of USD 7,773 (KES 777,300).

6 GSLAs were linked to IRK Micro-Finance Programme and given loans of USD 2400(KES 240,000) each to buy the Agro- solar kits, putting 2.4ha of land under irrigation. 1 kit (solar power irrigation) is being used by up to 20-25 farmers.

During the year, 11 co-operative societies were trained on management roles and sustainability of co-operatives and representatives from 10 GSLAs Farmer Groups were trained on Water Resource Management.

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The programme primarily focuses on irrigated farming, innovations, animal health services, environmental conservation, income generation for economic strengthening of vulnerable communities, thereby building resilience, reducing vulnerability and improving livelihoods.

Securing Water For Food - Increasing Agro-Pastoral and Pastoral Incomes through Production of High value Fruits and Vegetables using Agro Solar Irrigation Technology

Increasing agro- pastoral and pastoral income through production of high value fruits and vegetables using Agro-Solar Irrigation Technology



Secure Livelihoods and Food Security

Small holder farmers in Mandera reaping from Agro Solar Irrigation Technology



Bismillahi Farmers Group from Shantoley location, Mandera County has 20 members who mobilized their weekly savings to enable them access to micro finance facility for

purchase of their first ASIK. After the installation of the kit and basic training of the members on the technology, the group embarked on farming high value crops; certified tomato and onions in one

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acre of their farm.

IRK organized for on-farm trainings for farmers in partnership with department of Agriculture on small plot horticulture, to ensure that the farmers acquired basic crop husbandry skills necessary for crop production.

“The knowledge we received from the training that Islamic Relief organized is really useful. We now have a basic understanding of this new technology which most members can operate with ease, we also know how to water our crops, spacing and managing crops in stages, we keep learning but at least we have some skills now and we are very grateful for this kind of support. We engage less labor, no fuel cost at all, no wastage of water unlike when we used diesel powered pumps to irrigate our farms. We have been able to realize drastic increase in the harvest,” says Salat, Bismillahi Group Secretary.

Their hard work and passion for their farming venture, earned them USD 2262 (KES 226,200), enabling the group to offset a greater percentage of their micro finance facility within 4 months. This outcome has motivated the farmers to consider irrigated farming as a serious business and an alternative economic activity in the face of adverse effects of climate change.

Despite the ongoing drought that is ravaging the region, Bismillahi Farmers have proven to be resilient and remained always relevant to the changing dynamics in the field.



Promoting Rights and Access to better Socio Economic Opportunities for Marginalized Communities in North Eastern Kenya

Islamic Relief Kenya in collaboration with the relevant rights-holders and duty bearers, engaged the county government with regard to addressing human rights challenges affecting the socio-economic well-being of the communities in Wajir County. The project activities focused on fighting poverty, empowering (communities) on better livelihood sources and promotion of gender equalities.

The project has resulted in the emergence of 18 strong and functional networks capable of influencing community development plans in Wajir West, Eldas and Wajir North made up of women groups such as 'Maendeleo ya Wanawake' groups, and youth groups working on addressing the cultural factors, class, ethnicity,

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Capacity building was done to 51 - teachers on the importance of education and rights based approach to development

age and sexuality factors that contribute to gender inequality in the communities.; Strengthened adaptive capacity and income choices for vulnerable groups through provision of livestock to vulnerable women and increased awareness on natural resource management and environmental conservation.

5 environment clubs have been formed in 5 schools consisting of 30 members each, a total of 150 students (90-girls and 60-boys) in Wajir North and Wajir West, with the aim of increasing awareness of women and school children in Natural Resource Management and Environmental Conservation awareness. This has led to a positive response through planting

of tree seedlings and establishment of tree nurseries, in order to reduce the negative effects of soil degradation due to cutting down of trees for firewood and charcoal.

Capacity building was done to 51 - teachers/ elders (28-women; 23-men), and 170 students (100-girls; 70-boys) on the importance of education and rights based approach to development. Ideas were shared on child abuse, child labor, drought/Conflict/Disasters and Harmful Cultural Practices/Sexual Offences.

The project has led to informed and empowered communities with the ability to demand for their rights and services from county governments.

B Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Promotion

Goal:- Increase access to potable clean water for both domestic and livestock





Water and Sanitation

Islamic Relief Kenya continues to focus on the improvement of access to potable drinking water to needy communities through the development of strategic water points in areas of Mandera, Wajir and Garissa Counties. Four (4) strategic boreholes at least 250m in depth were successfully drilled and equipped at Kamuthe, Kadasko, Abakailley and Irreskinto villages, directly benefiting over 14, 500 households and over 700, 000 livestock. These water points are also equipped with water pumping system, modern water storage tanks, and water troughs for the livestock and water distribution points. The Distance to the nearest water point was reduced by 92% enabling direct beneficiaries to access water within 1km radius from their households in four villages.

“People were using soil to take ablution (tayamum) but after the successful installation of the borehole, people have been able to bath, clean their clothes and clean other key resources such as motor bikes,” Mr. Adan Abdalla Surow, Irreskinto Water Users Association, Chairman

To ensure efficient management of the water systems, Water Users Associations were formed and capacity building sessions held to sensitize on Water Resource Management, operations and maintenance of the water facilities. The boreholes were handed over to the community representatives (Water User’s Association) through the Sub-County Water Officer, Dadaab.

Realized Outcomes

- Improved access to potable drinking water
- Reduced incidences of human and livestock morbidity and mortality rates
- Reduced incidences of inter-clan conflicts caused by competition for the few available resources.

Deliverables Achieved

- Drilling of 4 boreholes
- Supply and installation of submersible borehole pump complete with electronic control panel and other accessories.
- Construction of a pump house in all the 4 sites
- Supply of 4 21KVA diesel powered generator
- Construction of 4 pressed steel tank.... remove ‘36M3’
- Construction of two (2) water kiosks and two (2) animal troughs for all 4 sites
- Strengthening of water management and peace committee

Transforming Lives in Kamuthe village

Kamuthe village, located in Dertu location, Dadaab Sub County in Garissa County, is one of the beneficiary villages of the ‘Integrated program for refugees and host community’ project. One deep borehole and water infrastructure was developed and currently operational.

Before IRK intervention, the village had been deserted with only few households left occupied by majorly the elderly, women and children. People had moved to the nearby villages in search of water and pasture for their livestock. The households relied on water trucking by the county government

and some aid from UNHCR. No learning was going on since most of the children had left the village after their only water source (earth pan) dried up due to prolonged drought.

There were frequent cases of conflicts reported at Boransis (15km away) as a result of water

shortage.

In consultation with the county government leadership, IRK engaged the community in the implementation of the borehole water project. The project has brought back life to the village. Small scale businesses have been set up, no more water trucking, and

the distance to water access points reduced to near reach. Water User’s Association committee members are responsible for the project’s day to day running.

Inter clan conflicts over the scarce water resources are now cases of the past.

Health and Nutrition

Goal:- To improve the Health and Nutrition status of children and communities





Health and Nutrition

The Health and Nutrition programme main focus is to improve the health and nutrition status of 83,866 persons of concern in IFO 1 refugee camp and 85,318 in the host community respectively through provision of health and nutrition services.

Implementation of the Health and Nutrition programme was in one (1) level 4 hospital (IFO hospital) for secondary, emergency and maternity services and 6 health posts for primary health care services. The facilities played major role in service provision, including disease out- break mitigations, support

of Supplementary Immunization Activities (SIA) together with provision of community services for disease prevention and surveillance purpose.

IRK ensured relevant staff capacity building trainings were conducted. Access to primary health care services, essential drugs, laboratory, x-ray, care and treatment for people living with HIV/AIDS, among other services were provided and supported. Diseases real time surveillance was also strengthened during the period.

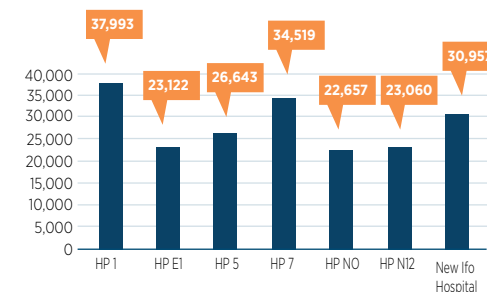
In Comprehensive Care Clinic, 2418 were offered HCT services. The PMTCT coverage was at 100%, with 15 HIV positive

mothers who delivered newborns being given ARV's within 72hrs of birth. 100% of the mothers choose Exclusive Breast Feeding (EBF).

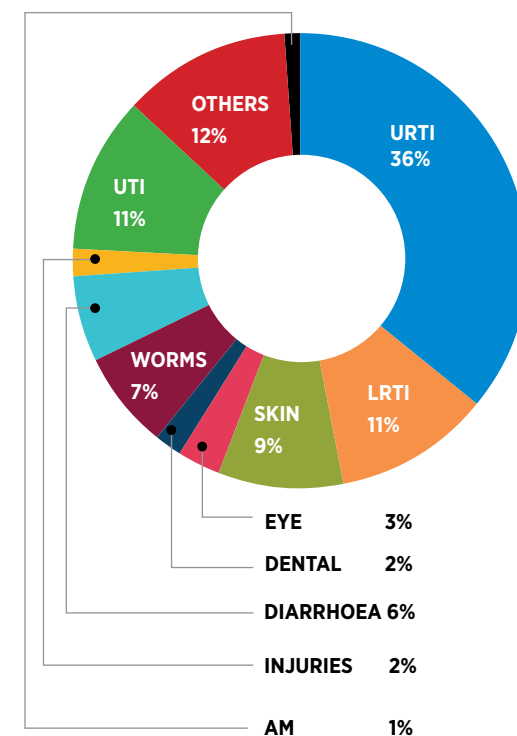
Bi-annual Malezi Bora Campaign was successfully conducted from 9th -13th May 2016 and from 7th to 11th November 2016. There was great coverage in vitamin A and mass MUAC screening during the Malezi bora campaigns.

In Supplementary Feeding Programme (SFP), 2155 cases were admitted into SFP program while 270 cases were admitted into the OTP programme. Nutritional support was also offered to the 141 and 40 HIV/AIDS and TB patients respectively.

Total Consultation per Facility



Morbidity Cases During Consultations in the Facilities



A patient with breech delivers her baby successfully



33 years old Quresho Mohamed Hassan, a refugee and mother of 10 children arrived in Dadaab in the year 1991, due to civil war in Somalia alongside her mother and four siblings.

During her 11th child delivery, Quresho benefited from the Health and Nutrition

programme mainly through the comprehensive Safe Motherhood Services and Supplementary Feeding Programme. She was identified as a high risk mother with Fetus Mal presentation and was taken through several health education sessions including preparation for caesarean section delivery.

IR provided ante- natal clinic services, including blood and micro-nutrients like folic Acid supplements; routine pregnancy examination; laboratory investigations for the Ante-natal profile and ultra -Sound scan which identified the abnormality. Quresho successfully delivered her baby.

D Micro-finance

Goal: Increasing household income of target clients



Micro-finance



North Eastern Kenya is a marginalized area where majority of the financial institutions are not pro-poor nor do they offer sharia compliant products. The vulnerable communities are thereby unable to secure credit collateral for investment. Islamic Relief Kenya is the only international organization that implements Sharia based micro-credit services in the region.

During the period under review, IRK continued with the provision of the Micro-Finance facility in the North-Eastern region of Kenya. The programme empowers families who are economically vulnerable including widow, orphan and women-led families, to lead a self-reliant urban life. The programme provides access to micro-finance services for sustained

economic growth and improved food security among the vulnerable orphan households, through the provision of Sharia-compliant micro-finance facilities for the promotion of income-generating activities in North-Eastern Kenya.

The Micro-Finance programme beneficiaries are mainly engaged in 5 different income generation activities. These are live animal trade, animal products and by-products (hides, skin, and milk), retail shops, cross-border trade and the provision of equipment and training to artisans (tailoring, carpentry, masonry, handcrafts and leatherwork).

As at 2016, the Micro-Finance programme had a capital size of USD 600000 and approximately 1, 500 clients.

Access to loans led to improved

food security and reduced economic vulnerability of pastoralist communities through the promotion of income-generating activities, contributing to the pastoral economy in Mandera and Wajir Counties of North-Eastern Kenya.

The micro-credit clients were trained on various enterprise management and development skills as well as leadership and credit management.

Currently, the beneficiaries can afford to feed their families through the established Income Generating Activities (IGA), there is less reliance on food aid which now acts as a supplement, the level of income for the micro-credit programme beneficiaries has also improved as indicated by the increased purchasing power, expanded business, access to basic needs such as cloth, shelter and food.

IRK Micro-finance facility has changed my life for the better

ZEINAB MOSSE AHMED, 23 years old, is a youth from Rhamu town, Mandera. After completing 'A' level education, she could not continue with her education because she lacked school fees. Since she is the eldest in a family of 5 children, she decided to start selling tea and snacks in partnership with a friend, few months later she was able to save some money. After 1 year, Zeinab changed her business strategy and purchased some beauty products to sell at an open air market. Zeinab heard from beneficiaries about the micro finance programme initiated by Islamic Relief. Being the youngest entrepreneur, she decided to look for hardworking women with experience and registered the group with IRK. The group was trained on book keeping, how to calculate profit and loss among other topics, she was given a loan of USD 350 (KES 35,000) to top up her savings and purchased a sewing machine and fabric - A more profitable initiative than selling of the beauty products.

"I am grateful for the help I was given by Islamic Relief, they trusted me and gave me a loan as young as I am. I am pleading with them to continue helping the youths. I now have money to take my siblings to school".

– Zeinab Mosse Ahmed

Disaster and Humanitarian Response

Goal: Reducing the humanitarian impact of conflicts and natural disasters



A Emergency Programme in Dadaab



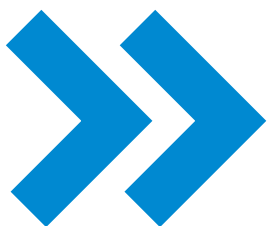
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4 strategic boreholes drilled and equipped for improved access to potable drinking water

The overall goal of Islamic Relief Kenya was to improve access to basic human needs such as primary health care, primary education, clean water and improved hygiene and sanitation standards for the 100, 000 rights holders in Dadaab Refugee Camp and the immediate Host Communities in Dadaab sub-County, Garissa County. The interventions included the provision of primary health care and nutrition services, provide essential educational supplies and improve the learning environment as well as the development of strategic community based water points (boreholes).

B Seasonal programme





Ramadan Food Pack Distribution

Ramadan programme was implemented during the Holy month of Ramadan (July 2016), aimed at contributing to the reduction of food insecurity through sharing of supplementary food amongst the SFP beneficiaries within the Ramadan month. A total of 6,950 Ramadan food packs were distributed; targeting the poorest of the poor including malnourished children (under 5 years), pregnant and lactating mothers, People living with HIV/AIDS, orphaned and vulnerable families, the elderly without bread winner, disabled individuals with

vulnerability and moderately malnourished individuals admitted in Supplementary and Therapeutic Feeding Programme

The project successfully reached 7,084 households, in Wajir, Mandera and Garissa/Dadaab totaling to 41700 individual beneficiaries. The Ramadhan food pack offered diversified food for the targeted families to complement the needy household's food basket during the Holy month.

There was improved community cohesion (among targeted vulnerable households) due to the sharing of food



I have 12 children and it is very tough for us since we are Internally Displaced Persons (IDPS). We don't have a permanent source of income, we really rely on relief food. We are grateful for being remembered at such a time of Ramadan.

– Seinaba Aliow Godana, Mandera



'I lost many goats during the recent drought which had a negative impact on my already dwindling livelihood. When there is no food in the house, my five children become weak and malnourished. My children received nutritious food from Islamic Relief. Alhamdulillah, the food pack I received has reduced the family burden. Every year Islamic Relief Distributes Ramadhan food packs and Qurbani meat to needy people in my community. I am sending my sincere and heartfelt thanks to those who donated to us these food and Islamic Relief for remembering us during this time of Eid-UI-Adha. Jazakallahu Khair

- Rahma Osman Abikar.

Qurbani Food Pack Distribution

Qurbani programme was implemented during Eid-UI-Adha celebration (month of October 2016)

and was aimed at improving food security of the poorest of the poor, most vulnerable and disadvantaged individuals including malnourished children (under 5 years), pregnant and lactating mothers, People living with HIV/AIDS, orphaned and vulnerable families, the elderly without bread winners, disabled individuals with vulnerability and moderately malnourished individuals admitted

in hospital. Selection of beneficiaries was done through the participatory planning approach directly involving village/community leaders, elders as well as religious leaders in each location. A total of 5, 860 Qurbanis were distributed to 11,757 households/families during 2016 Eid-UI-Adha celebration. A total of 70, 320 individuals directly benefited from the Qurbani distribution.

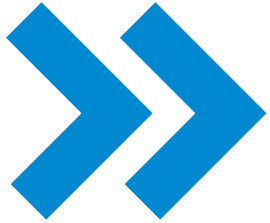
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Rahma Osman Abikar.

Education and Child Development

Goal: To improve access to quality basic education and protection of vulnerable children





A Education

Islamic Relief Kenya has played an integral role in supporting the government of Kenya in advancing the child education agenda.

We have been part of the sector working groups, contributing to discussions around policy change and formulation, sharing data and best practices both in the education sectors. This has helped create synergies with other public and private actors leading to effective planning, coordination and implementation of programmes. In the Dadaab Refugee Camp, Islamic Relief Kenya is supporting over 50,000 children to access quality primary education funded by UNHCR. UNHCR's Education Strategy (2012-2016) was the benchmark for 2016 IRK programming and aims to increase access to a range of safe, quality education opportunities for refugee children. The education program was implemented in IFO main and IFO 2 East and West respectively. Currently IRK is managing the education program in eighteen (18) primary schools in IFO 1 and IFO 2 camps with an enrolment of 9907 (4371 girls & 5536 boys) pupils at the pre-primary level and 26860 (10,607 girls & 16,253 boys) learners at the primary mainstream equating to 36,767 children. This figure includes 516 SNE pupils in ECD and primary school (197 girls and 259 boys).

A total of 22 classrooms were renovated across IFO2 Refugee Camp. This has improved the learning environment and protects pupils from harsh climatic conditions during learning.

To increase school retention of the girl child, Islamic Relief distributed sanitary wear to 2,500 girls. In collaboration with nurses from the Health Department, girls were also educated on human growth and development as well as personal hygiene.

I can now attend classes comfortably



My name is Apinyayuelchol, 18 years old from Friends Primary School in IFO camp. I am in class seven from block S3. I benefitted from the provision of sanitary wear. I am a refugee and cannot afford buying sanitary wear. I am full of joy for receiving sanitary wear. I therefore appreciate the support IRK is rendering to school girls.





B Child Welfare

The Orphan Sponsorship programme is one of the most popular and oldest initiatives that Islamic Relief implements. In Kenya, Islamic Relief began its operations in 1993 under the one-to-one Orphans Sponsorship programme through a local CBO in Mandera County. Globally, Islamic Relief is currently supporting over 50,000 orphans, linking individual donors around the world to orphan families in developing countries. In Kenya, the programme has benefited 3,800 orphans including 1700 girls and 2100 boys and their families. The programme provides quarterly financial support to selected orphan families to improve their quality of life, establish proper health care mechanisms and education for the sponsored orphans and enable the orphan families establish their livelihoods before termination of the sponsorship. During the period under review, IRK provided training for the staff on child protection during emergencies, age and disability inclusion in humanitarian action. IR also integrated child protection in its programming.

Islamic Relief Orphans Programme Changed My Life

I AM MAHAD Abdi Maalin born in Central Location, Mandera County. My mother was left with the responsibility of taking care of me and my five siblings after the passing of my father. It was difficult for my mother to raise school fees to support our education.

Islamic Relief Kenya came to my rescue by giving me a chance to continue with my education. They provided books, Foodstuff and financial assistance, improving both my education and the living standards of my family. Alhamdulillah! I completed my primary education in the year 2011 and scored 366 marks out of 500.

I got admission to Mandera Secondary School, emerging the 2nd best student in Mandera County with a grade of A- for the 2015 Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (K.C.S.E). I was honored with an award by the Mandera County Governor, H.E (Capt.) Ali Ibrahim Roba during the Mandera East Education Day. I am currently a Mathematics and Biology teacher in my former school while I wait to join the university to study Bachelor of Science in Clinical Medicine.

Thanks to Islamic Relief, my dream came true! I am what I am today because of Islamic Relief, I can't imagine how life could have been without their support, IR means everything to me. May Allah reward you for your good intentions for the sake of his pleasure and May He make everything smooth for you the way you made everything smooth for us.



Key Achievements

- 2871 are in active sponsorship 1582 boys and 1289 girls and receiving funds on quarterly basis
- +97% of sponsored orphans are attending schools both formal and informal
- All sponsored orphan guardians have bank accounts and receive **USD 90 (KES 9000)** quarterly
- Constructed **2** permanent houses and a pit latrine for some orphans in Mandera
- 5** pupils were linked to CDF, presidential and Equity Bank Wings to Fly bursary schemes to continue with their secondary education
- Over **600** Orphan families are linked to micro-finance and are engaged in different income generating activities to have alternative sources of livelihood
- One** pupil scored a mean grade of A(Minus) in 2015 KCSE results and was the second best in Mandera County
- 600** orphans in Dadaab refugee camp benefited from Education and health projects

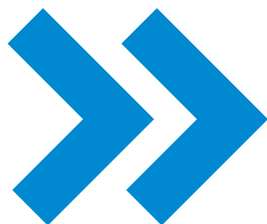
Events

In the year under review, IRK hosted a number of IRW Partners.

The Media and Communication team from IRUSA visited Dadaab field office and conducted home visits and interviews with orphans and orphan families in the area to see the impact the project had on the life of the target families and report back to the donor as part of our commitment to the donors.

The Global Child Protection Manager, Neelam visited the country office to conduct a Child Protection audit and organize the staff TOT training on Women Economic Empowerment where 20 IRK staff from the different field offices were trained.

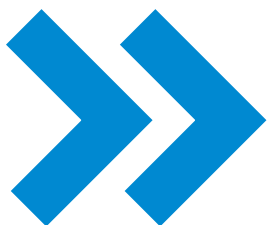
IRK hosted IRUSA delegation comprising of IR staff and donor representatives who came to evaluate the Orphan one to one Sponsorship programme. The visitors conducted home visits, interview with former and current beneficiaries of the programme and had a meeting with the Orphan Micro Enterprise programme beneficiaries. The visitors were impressed with how the project in benefiting the orphan families



Magdalena Samsuddin, Board of Trustees, IR Malaysia with Orphan Micro Enterprise project beneficiaries in Dadaab



Zia Salik, National Community Fundraising and Volunteering Manager, IR UK visits orphans in Dadaab



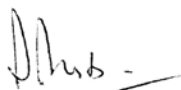
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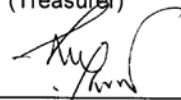
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - 31 DECEMBER, 2016

		2016 KES	2015 KES
NON - CURRENT ASSETS	Note		
Property and Equipment	3	<u>18,076,825</u>	<u>23,976,250</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and Bank Balances	4	153,287,271	182,362,027
Accounts Receivable	5	<u>5,763,082</u>	<u>5,576,256</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>159,050,353</u>	<u>187,938,283</u>
Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	6	<u>48,638,250</u>	<u>61,476,053</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>110,412,103</u>	<u>126,462,230</u>
Net Assets		<u>128,488,928</u>	<u>150,438,480</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
Fund Balances		128,488,927	150,438,480
Total Funds (Page 6)		<u>128,488,927</u>	<u>150,438,480</u>

These financial statements were approved on 26.12.2016, 2017 and signed by:-

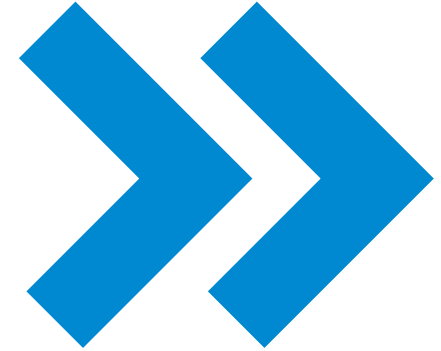


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