With more than 20 million people in North-East Nigeria, Somalia, South Sudan and Yemen facing or at risk of famine, US$233 million in coordinated allocations from the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) and Country-Based Pooled Funds (CBPFs) were critical to the scale up of humanitarian action in those countries in the first half of 2017. By leveraging their comparative advantages – such as CERF’s disbursement speed and CBPF’s direct funding for local NGOs – strategic use of these funds helped partners deliver a stronger collective response, ensuring maximum impact of limited resources.
**NIGERIA**

In Nigeria, CERF allocated $22 million to reach an estimated 2.9 million people affected by food insecurity and Boko Haram violence. These funds were critical in scaling up and sustaining life-saving activities including food assistance, nutrition services and protection. The Nigeria Humanitarian Fund (NHF) was established in February to bolster the response and is launching its first $10 million allocation in June.

**CERF BY PARTNER**

- **UNICEF**: $8.3 M
- **WFP**: $4.3 M
- **UNHCR**: $2.8 M
- **FAO**: $2.1 M
- **IOM**: $1.6 M
- **UNFPA**: $1.5 M
- **WHO**: $1.4 M

**CBPF BY PARTNER**

First CBPF allocation planned for June

- **UNICEF**: $10.3 M
- **WFP**: $9.6 M
- **IOM**: $4.4 M
- **FAO**: $4.0 M
- **UNHCR**: $2.9 M
- **WHO**: $1.2 M
- **UNFPA**: $592 K

**$22 MILLION ALLOCATED BY CERF IN 2017**

**5.2 MILLION PEOPLE IN NEED OF FOOD ASSISTANCE**

**SOUTH SUDAN**

In South Sudan, CERF and the South Sudan Humanitarian Fund (SSHF) prioritized projects in famine-affected and at-risk areas which promote cross-sectoral synergies, ranging from treatment acute of malnutrition and provision of seeds and tools, to school feeding and education in emergency activities (schools are zones which may protect children from the worst of conflict and famine), child protection, and prevention and response to gender-based violence.

**CERF BY PARTNER**

- **UNICEF**: $5.5 M
- **IOM**: $4.4 M
- **WFP**: $2.3 M
- **UNFPA**: $1.2 M

**CBPF BY PARTNER**

- **WHO**: $3.6 M
- **UNDP**: $129 K

**$39 MILLION ALLOCATED BY CERF AND CBPFs IN 2017**

**5.5 MILLION PEOPLE IN NEED OF FOOD ASSISTANCE**

**YEMEN**

In Yemen, CERF and Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF) allocations strategically focused on responding to the immediate needs of malnourished people and those on the brink of famine in priority districts. The YHF focused on strengthening national and international NGO responses and CERF was used to help UN agencies scale up their interventions.

**CERF BY PARTNER**

- **UNICEF**: $6.0 M
- **WHO**: $3.6 M

**CBPF BY PARTNER**

- **UNDP**: $129 K

**$85 MILLION ALLOCATED BY CERF AND CBPFs IN 2017**

**6.8 MILLION PEOPLE IN NEED OF FOOD ASSISTANCE**

**SOMALIA**

In January 2017, an Integrated Approach was agreed to guide allocations and ensure maximum impact of CERF and the Somalia Humanitarian Fund (SHF). It prioritized the most immediate needs with a CERF allocation of 33 million to help vulnerable people in areas of severe drought in Puntland, Somaliland and South Central while SHF funding went directly to the best-placed NGOs to ensure quick and efficient delivery of assistance.

**CERF BY PARTNER**

- **UNICEF**: $10.3 M

**CBPF BY PARTNER**

- **National NGOs**: 36.4%
- **Int’l NGOs**: 59.3%
- **Red Cross/Red Crescent**: 1.5%

**$65 MILLION ALLOCATED BY CERF AND CBPFs IN 2017**

**3.2 MILLION PEOPLE IN NEED OF FOOD ASSISTANCE**

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