

## Over 23,000 Displaced by Heavy Rain-Triggered Flash Floods in Dhobley and Afmadow, Lower Juba.



Displaced Families

**3,962**


Displaced Individuals

**23,772**


Deaths

**0**

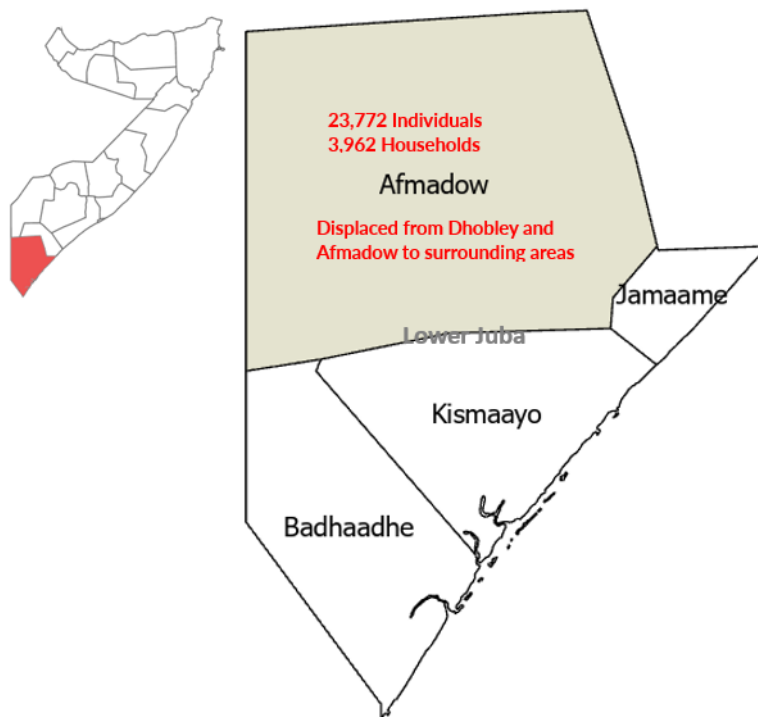

Injuries

**3**


Coordinates

**0.5151° N, 42.0757° E**


Incident Date

**April 30, 2024**


### Situational Overview

The Lower Jubba region, specifically the towns of Afmadow and Dhobley, experienced severe flooding due to heavy rain, resulting in significant displacement and destruction. PRMN data indicates approximately 3,962 households comprising 23,772 individuals were forced to leave their homes. The floods rendered shelters unstable and destroyed over 2,000 latrines in IDP camps and host communities in both towns.

Previous Location	Current Location	#Households
Dhobley	Bonia	590
Dhobley	Bulu kutur	667
Dhobley	Waaberi	1,000
Afmadow	Bula-kutur	950
Afmadow	Barako	755
<b>3,962 HHs with approximately 23,772 individuals</b>		

Vulnerable groups, such as the elderly and people with disabilities, were disproportionately affected by the displacement. PRMN documented **144 elderly individuals and 80 persons with disabilities** who were compelled to relocate due to the destruction of their shelters. Many displaced individuals are currently residing in open spaces, exposing them to various risks, including waterborne diseases resulting from inadequate clean water and sanitation facilities and protection risks, such as gender-based violence.



Picture 1: Flooded IDP site in Dhobley

Families have been forced to seek refuge wherever possible, with some staying in damaged houses and others moving to alternative locations. The situation is particularly concerning for children and young people, whose psychological and physical well-being and safety are at risk due to the ongoing crisis.

## Protection Risks

**Inadequate Shelter and Services:** Displaced families have suffered the loss of property and destruction of their homes. They are forced to reside in open spaces, exposing them to harsh weather conditions and associated risks. 144 elderly individuals and 80 persons with disabilities are particularly at risk, given the limited assistance available to address their basic needs.

## Urgent Needs



Food



Emergency Shelter



Non-Food Item



Communal Latrine



Safe Drinking Water

The PRMN (Protection & Return Monitoring Network) is a UNHCR-led project in partnership with NRC which identifies and reports on displacements as well as protection risks and incidents underlying such population movements. On behalf of UNHCR and the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), 26 local partners in the field in Somalia (South Central regions, Puntland and Somaliland) undertake data gathering (primarily through interviews with affected communities and key informants) and monitoring at strategic locations.

For detail statistical on displacement and protection trends, please refer to PRMN interactive dashboard <https://prmn-somalia.unhcr.org>.

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