



TERMS OF REFERENCE
Somalia National Bureau of Statistics
Somali Integrated Statistics and Economic Planning Capacity Building Project
(SISEPCBP)

Position Title:	Senior Nutrition and Food Security Statistics Advisor
Reporting to:	Director General of the National Bureau of Statistics
Type of Appointment:	Individual Consultant
Duration:	12 months renewable upon satisfactory performance
Duty Station:	Mogadishu, Somalia
Reference:	SO-MOPIED-496666-CS-INDV

a) Background

The Federal Government of Somalia (FGS), through the National Bureau of Statistics (SNBS), has received a grant from the International Development Association (IDA) to implement additional financing the Somali Integrated Statistics and Economic Capacity Building (SISECB) Project. The project aims at strengthening the country's national statistics system, the monitoring and evaluation (M&E) system, and improving programing and analytical capacity of the government's macroeconomics and fiscal programming agencies to enable them to regularly assess, analyze and improve their public policies and programs performance and results. Specifically, the project aims at: (1) Strengthening the national statistics system; (2) Strengthening monitoring and evaluation capacity; and (3) Building economic policy analysis and economic planning capacity. The project will be funded jointly by the World Bank and other development partners.

To consolidate and strengthen analytical capacity of SNBS staff for the implementation of National Food and Nutrition Security Crisis Preparedness Plan, SNBS will hire a Nutrition and Food Security consultant who will support production of a joint monitoring report (JMR) which will monitor the food and nutrition security situations in the country and is a key priority of the Somalia Food Security Crisis Preparedness. The consultant will also support administrative data collection and surveys, contributing to the nationwide joint Comprehensive Food Security and Vulnerability Analysis (CFSVA) in partnership with WFP and FAO.

b) Objectives

The overall objective of the consultant is to support SNBS in improving in production of the joint monitoring report (JMR) and support administrative data collection and survey data to contribute to the nationwide joint Comprehensive Food Security and Vulnerability Analysis (CFSVA).

c) Specific objectives and scope of the tasks

The consultant will work with other consultants and staff of SNBS and statistics units in key ministries, departments and agencies (MDAs) to support the improvement of the national Food and Nutrition Security Statistics and Monitoring through nutrition data collection

required for the JMR.

- Enhance capacity in producing food consumption statistics based on analysing data from food security survey.
- Collaborate with FAO and WFP to produce food security indicators such as prevalence of undernourishment, food insecurity experience scale (FIES), prevalence of food insecurity based on the established global methodologies.
- Explore Somali food consumption patterns, focusing on what people eat, in terms of macronutrients, calories, the source of their food, cost of the food among other vital indicators.
- Prepare the Somali food and nutrition security factsheet and improve data collection tools to enhance the quality of data collected.

d) Key responsibilities

Working under the overall supervision of the Director General of the NBS, the consultant will be responsible for the following tasks:

- Provide high-level technical guidance on design, implementation, and analysis of national food security and nutrition survey (e.g., CFSVA, JMR).
- Lead the development and standardization of methodologies for calculating key indicators (e.g., FIES, undernourishment prevalence) in alignment with global best practices.
- Technical support with respect to Comprehensive Food Security and Vulnerability Analysis.
- Serve as the primary liaison between SNBS, MDAs and international partners (FAO, WFP, FSNAU, SWALIM) to harmonize data collection, analysis, and reporting for joint initiatives, including JMRs
- Build capacity of SNBS and MDAs staff on priority matters related to the food security and nutrition analysis and report production
- Develop tools and guidance, reviewing existing guidance material and tools relevant to emergency recovery food security and agriculture interventions and prioritizing relevant gaps
- Utilize various software packages and information from various sources (MS Access databases, MS Excel spreadsheets and documents such as deeds, field notes etc.) to support field personnel as well as for deliverables.
- Work closely with production directorate to understand and maintain focus on aligning survey and administrative findings with international standard indicators for food security.

- Prepare monthly and quarterly progress reports for submission to the SNBS and Production Statistics Department.
- Perform any other duties when required by the Director General of SNBS
- Support meetings of the Programming Team as part of the Somalia Preparedness Plan, including developing presentation materials, related briefing notes, and attending preparatory as well as decision meetings

e) Key deliverables

The Nutrition and Food Security consultant will ensure the provision of the following deliverables:

- Support in the development of data collection tools to enhance the quality of nutrition data.
- Undertaking capacity building in production of food consumption statistics based on analyzing data from food security survey
- Coordinate with FAO and WFP to produce food security indicators such as prevalence of undernourishment, food insecurity experience scale (FIES), prevalence of food insecurity based on the established global methodologies.
- Produce the Somali food security and nutrition statistics factsheet
- Produce the joint monitoring report on a regular basis as defined in the Preparedness Plan

f) Qualifications and Education Requirements

Education: Minimum master's degree in nutrition, development practice or Statistics with additional 5 years working experience in food security or statistics that includes report writing and dissemination of statistical survey report.

Experience: The Nutrition consultant will need to demonstrate skills and competencies in the following areas:

- Credible experience in nutrition statistics and practical experience in data analysis, in areas such as food security or nutrition.
- Proven ability to deliver results in complex and challenging environments.
- Experience working in developing countries, with technical levels of government, private sector, or civil society organizations.
- Experience in government agency environment is highly preferred.

Language Requirement: Excellent written and oral communication skills in English and Somali.