



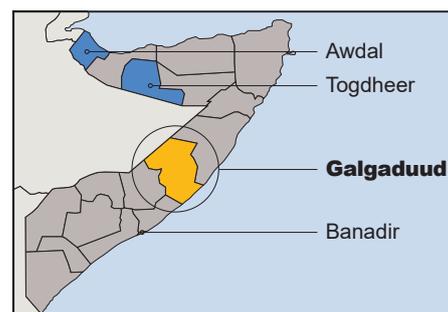
# SHINE Supply Factsheet: Galgaduud Region

## What is SHINE Supply?

SHINE Supply (2018-2021) is part of the UK aid-funded Somali Health and Nutrition (SHINE) programme. SHINE aims to reduce mother and child deaths in Somalia and Somaliland by improving health and nutrition services. The SHINE Supply component focuses on delivery of an Essential Package of Health Services (EPHS) and health systems strengthening (HSS). SHINE Supply is led by Mott MacDonald and is implemented along with four consortium partners and three groups of NGO implementing partners. Together, the programme team has established a robust mechanism for accountability, channelling resources and life-saving services to over 2.3 million of the poorest Somalis.

## SHINE Supply in Galgaduud Region

Galgaduud Region is situated in Galmudug State in central Somalia. It has an estimated population of 569,434<sup>2</sup> – this includes a large proportion of internally displaced persons (IDPs). Mercy USA is SHINE Supply's principal implementing partner in the region, operating in two of Galgaduud's seven districts, namely Abudwak and Balanbale. Mercy USA works with Regional and District Health Teams to support EPHS delivery in 13 health facilities. It also supports two outreach teams, extensive nutrition and community engagement activities, and wider HSS activities.



## What we've achieved so far (to December 2019)

### Supporting health facilities

# 13

health facilities supported

supported to provide improved EPHS services in Abudwak and Balanbale Districts

### Antenatal care (ANC)

# 4.2K+

ANC services

provided by targeted health facilities in 2019, with 645 women attending for ANC ≥4 times

### Facility-based deliveries

# 391

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provided by the targeted health facilities in 2019, of which 18 were complicated or Caesarean deliveries

### Sexual & reproductive health

# 9

modern contraceptive methods

administered by the targeted health facilities in 2019; this remains a **KEY CHALLENGE AREA** for Galgaduud Region

### Vaccinations

# 1650

Penta-3 vaccinations

administered to children by targeted health facilities in 2019

### Curative services

# 32.7K

curative consultations

provided at targeted health facilities in 2019, of which 56% were female and 40% were children under 5 years

# Challenges and solutions

By applying adaptive management principles, the SHINE Supply team has continued to find practical solutions to key health sector challenges in Galgaduud Region.

## Challenges

Outbreak of COVID-19, with limited availability of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for frontline health workers	🔒
Poor health infrastructure and under-resourced facilities	🔒
Conflict and clan animosity, with implications for health worker safety and security, and service uptake	🔒
Traditional and religious beliefs/practices leading to low uptake of maternal health and family planning services	🔒

## Solutions

🔑	Rapid reprogramming of resources to prioritise disease prevention, detection and control – with a particular focus on improving the supply and use of PPE, community mobilisation and humanitarian relief efforts
🔑	Increased resource allocations for health facility refurbishment – especially, renovation of waste management areas, water and power connections, and replacement of furniture, stationary etc
🔑	Increased investment in health facility security; also, intensified security monitoring to produce timely guidance for staff and communities on safe travel and service access
🔑	Close collaboration with government and other development partners to intensify inclusive health education, and target consistent messages to communities and religious leaders

## What next in Galgaduud Region?

We will continue to support the health sector response to the serious threat of COVID-19. In addition, we will build on lessons learnt in Galgaduud Region to build a resilient health system and strive for universal health coverage.

### Key lessons

- The importance of robust disease surveillance and data collection systems for outbreak detection and evidence-based decisions
- The need for additional investments in health facility infrastructure, maintenance and security to improve quality of care and service uptake
- The importance of working collaboratively on demand-creation and community engagement to support service uptake

## Priority tasks

- Scale-up of COVID-19 prevention, detection, control and mitigation – with a particular focus on IDPs and other vulnerable populations
- Further support for health facility security and refurbishments – including improved solar power, water and sanitation installations
- Intensified joint-working on community engagement, including use of local media for targeted health messaging (e.g. on family planning)



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**For more information:** visit <https://shinesupply.org/>

Fund manager:

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<sup>1</sup> SHINE Supply's consortium partners include: International Procurement Agency (IPA); Mott MacDonald's International Health Group; Charlie Goldsmith Associates (CGA); and Tropical Health and Education Trust (THET). Our implementing partners are: Action Against Hunger (AAH); Mercy USA; and Health Poverty Action (HPA).

<sup>2</sup> Population Estimation Survey (2014). Extrapolated data. Available at: <https://somalia.unfpa.org>