



# Somalia South Central Non – State Actors (SOSCENSA)

## POSITION PAPER ON ISSUE OF EFFECTIVE AID AND PUBLIC SERVICE DELIVERY

SOSCENSA held one day consultation meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2013, participated by 25 members from civil society organizations and officials from government line ministries in its Mogadishu Head-quarter office. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss for effective Aid and public service delivery challenges.

The strategic goal of this meeting was civil society organizations to actively engage in policy dialogue with Somali authorities and key members of the international community on issues relating to effective Aid and public service delivery. More specifically, the meeting relates one of the SOSCENSA activity plans of undertaking regular consultation meetings in order to develop platform policy positions on country priority issues.

SOSCENSA would like to share with its significant stakeholders the following existing challenges on effective Aid and public service delivery;

### a) **Effective Aid delivery:**

- Lack of accountability of aid agencies
- Difficulty of aid access to the needy people
- Existence of gate keepers (both individuals and local NGOs that does not cover the needs and prevent other agencies to provide the aid).
- Lack of quality control mechanism.
- Many government institutions in dealing Aid service delivery and duplication of roles
- Corruption of aid items. For instance Aid food and Non-food Items (NFI) are on sale in markets.
- Lack of real needs assessment and prioritization of community projects.
- Duplication of similar projects and aid concentrating one area while ignoring the rest.
- Lack of proper monitoring mechanisms.
- Creation Aid dependence syndrome.
- Urban oriented aid.

- Lack of coordination of government line ministries and donors agencies for aid

**b) Public service delivery;**

- Destruction of national public service facilities.
- Lack of incentives for public service employee.
- Corruption and tribalism culture in the available public service.
- Lack of government supervision and monitoring mechanism.

services delivery.

- Inadequate capacity of the central government institutions to provide and manage public services.
- Lack of coordination of government line ministries and local agencies for public services delivery.

**Solutions/Recommendations:**

SOSCENSA platform recommends the following step to the concerned stakeholders

**a) On the effective aid delivery issue;**

- Enhancement of the collaborations and relation between government institutions and aid agencies:
- Government should develop national humanitarian service delivery policy.
- Establishment effective Aid Country Coordination body.
- Government should establish national independent agency/commission that is

responsible to monitor the aid service delivery from the international organizations.

- All aid projects should be based on needs on the ground and community priority through guidance of the Ministry of Finance and National Planning.
- Promotion of food for work program

**b) On the effective public service delivery:**

- Development of national public service policy.
- Establishment of Monitoring body of public service delivery.
- Develop Quality control mechanisms.

- Develop Disaster preparedness mechanisms.
- Develop Rural Development projects.
- Develop governmental data bank.

SOSCENSA reiterates its commitment to facilitate civil society sectors various consultation meetings in order to be head the voices of its constituencies and influence the policy formulation of the country.