



## CORE Group Polio & Global Health Security, Horn of Africa Weekly Bulletin: FY 22 Q2 Week 8 (21 - 27 Feb 2022)

### Cross Border Activities Updates (KENYA)

- **Cross-border surveillance:** 3 suspected case of Acute Flaccid Paralysis (AFP) were reported from Turkana county, 4 suspected measles reported in Mandera and Marsabit and 1 suspected neonatal tetanus reported in Wajir county.
- **Routine Immunization Outreaches:** The project supported 19 immunization outreach services during the week. A total of 292 children < 1 years vaccinated with various polio antigens
- **Social Mobilization:** The CVs conducted weekly routine sensitization on immunization & surveillance through house to house strategy while observing COVID-19 protocols. 2,256 households reaching 4,157 (1,660 males & 2,497 females)
- **Defaulter tracing:** During the week, border health facilities in Kenya reported 326 children < 1-year defaulters and traced 226 (69%).



Immunization outreach session in Riba outreach site in Wajir county  
Photo credit: Mohamed—WV-K

### Cross Border Activities Updates (SOMALIA)

- **Supplementary Immunization Campaign:** Somalia conducted it's first round of mOPV campaign in South Central area Somalia targeting 1,968,508 children under 5 years in 81 districts.
- The project supported the campaign in it's project areas of Lower Juba, Gedo and Bakool through technical support in independent monitoring and also community mobilization pre-campaign as well as during campaign.
- **Routine Immunization Outreaches:** 2 routine immunization outreach session were conducted during the week in Afmadow and Badhadhe, Lower Juba, reaching 31 children with various polio antigens.
- **Social Mobilization:** The CVs conducted weekly routine sensitization on immunization & surveillance through house to house strategy while observing COVID-19 protocols. 1,994 households visited, reaching 990 (442 males & 548 females)
- **Defaulter tracing:** During the week, border health facilities in Kenya reported 35 children < 1-year defaulters and traced 26 (74%).

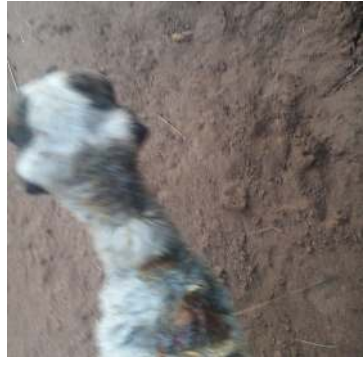


Outreach session in Daardar outreach site in Afmadow, Lower Juba  
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### Global Health Security—Priority Zoonotic Diseases Updates: (KENYA):

#### SURVEILLANCE REPORTING:

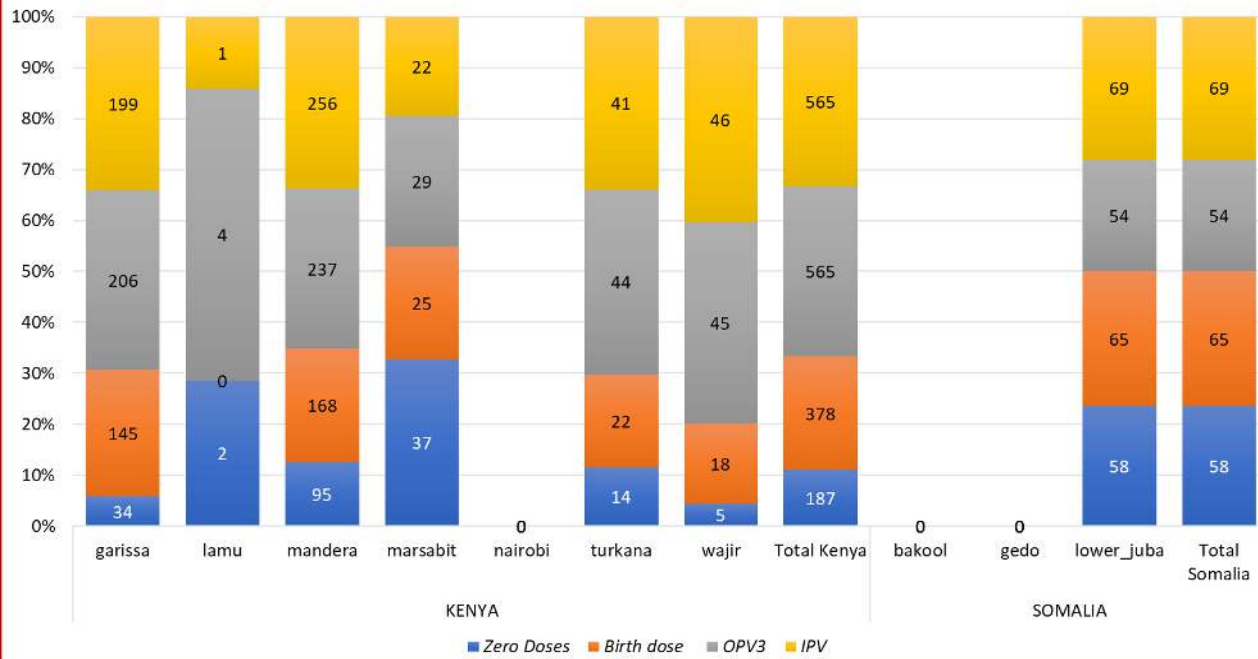
- During surveillance, the CMs reported a total of 17 suspected animal alerts were reported, 1 cluster of animal deaths in Turkana, 3 suspected case of rabies in Turkana, 4 suspected cases of RVF in Mandera and Turkana, 8 cases of suspected trypanosomiasis in Marsabit and 1 suspected Anthrax in Mandera
- For the reported alerts, the team verified them resulting to: animals that died or lost pregnancy was due to low immune system as a result of poor forage. For suspected RVF, the alerts were not RVF as reported but animals losing pregnancy & dying due to low immune system as a result of severe drought. For suspected rabies, animals are becoming aggressive due to hunger and for cluster of an usual animal death, this is due to the animal suspected to have eaten poisonous leaves
- A total of 412 zero reports and 2 case of rumours were reported by the community health volunteers.



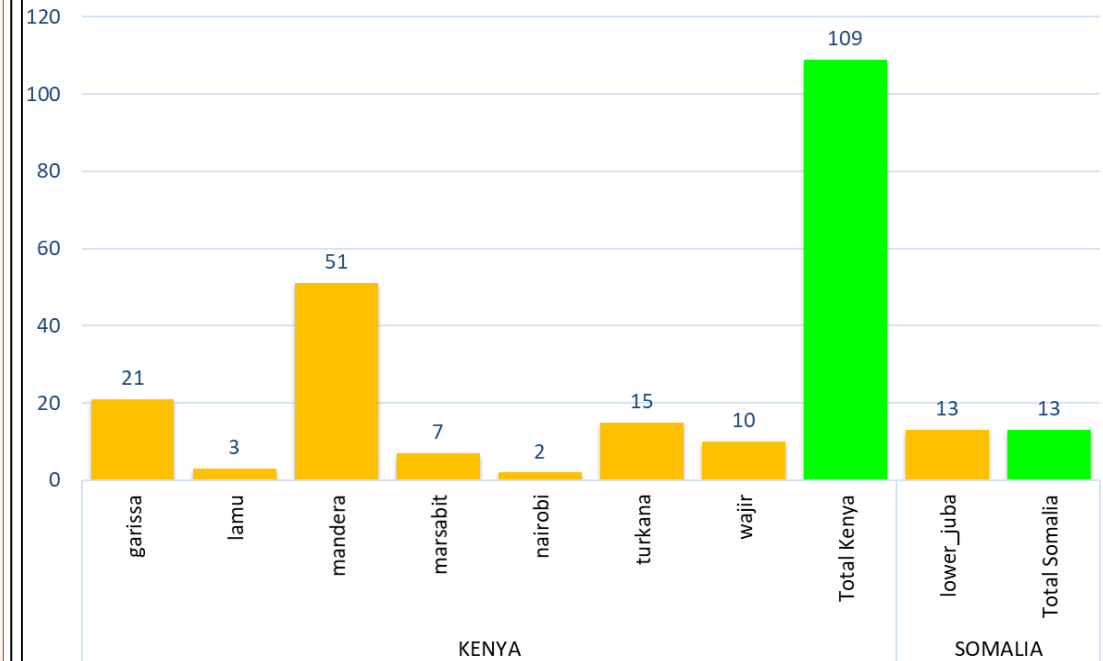
Suspected rabies case with a goat bitten by a dog in Turkana county.  
Photo credit: Rutto - IRC

# STRENGTHENING OF IMMUNIZATION SYSTEMS: OUTREACH SERVICES TO HARD TO REACH BORDER, NOMADIC PASTORALIST.

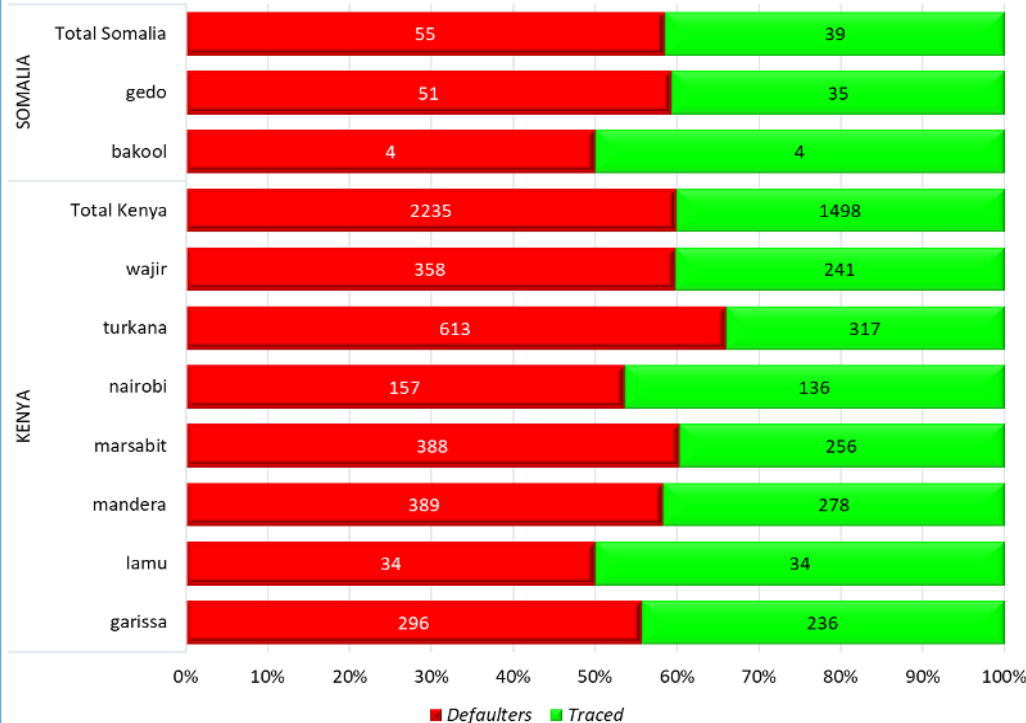
# of children < 1 years reached with various polio vaccines during outreach sessions (01/01/22 - 27/02/22)



# of outreach support in CGPP Supported areas in Kenya and Somalia (01/01/22 - 27/02/22) N=122

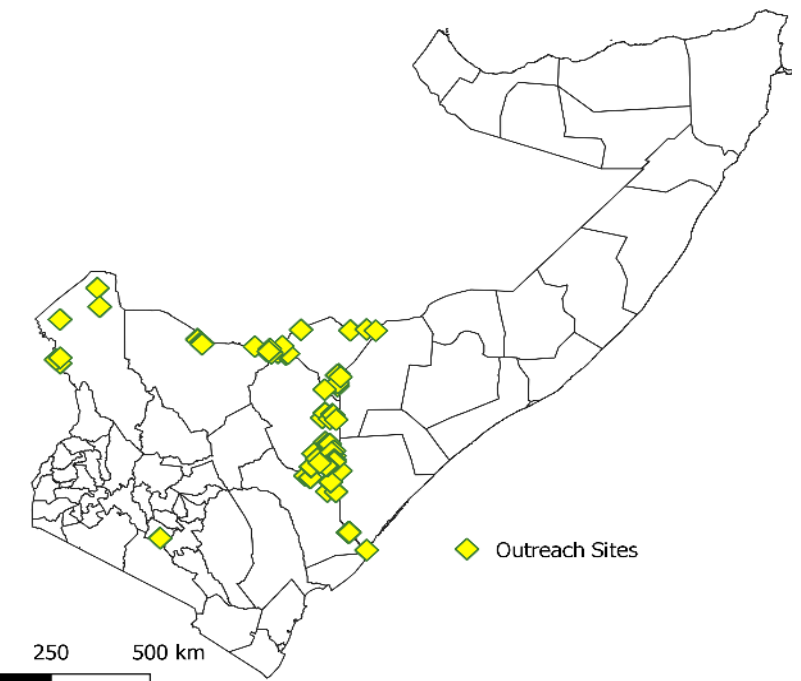


# of children < 1 years who defaulted routine immunization sessions. (01/01/22 - 27/02/22)



GEOCODED CGPP SUPPORTED OUTREACH SITES

01/01/2022 - 27/02/2022



## KENYA:

Total # of children Defaulted = **2,235**

Total # of children traced = **1,498 (67%)**

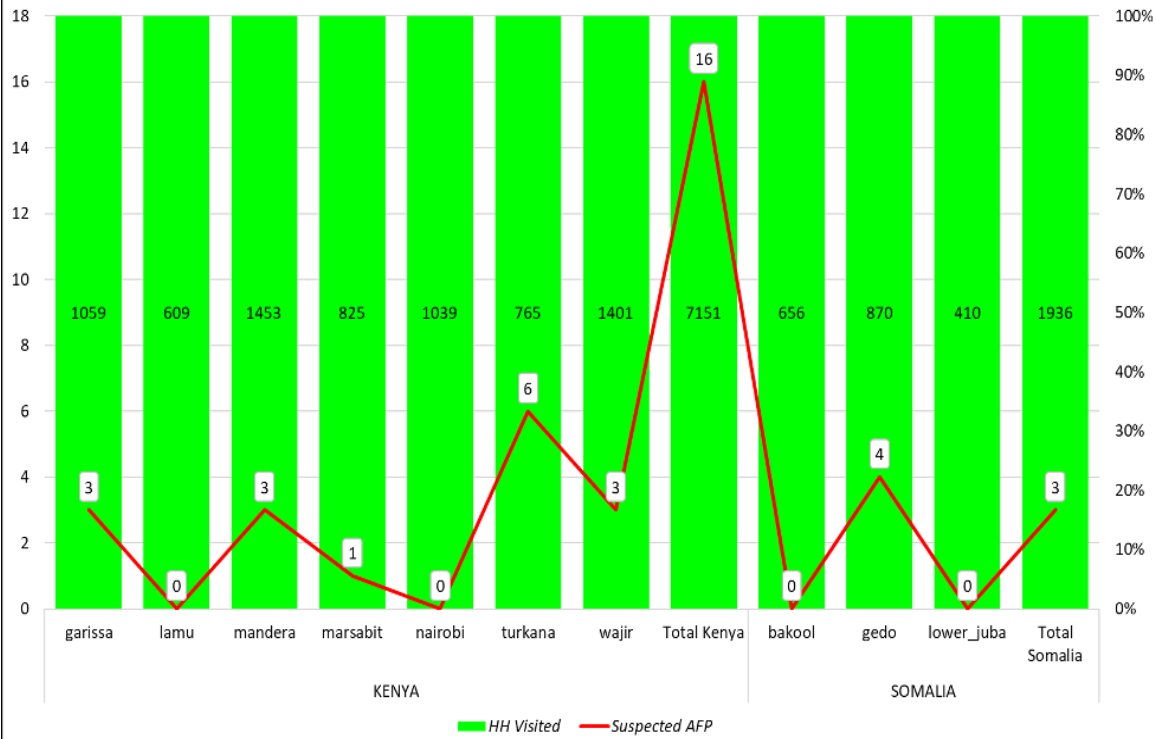
## SOMALIA:

Total # of children Defaulted = **55**

Total # of children traced = **39 (71%)**

# COMMUNITY BASED DISEASE SURVEILLANCE ON HUMAN ALERTS/ACTIVE CASE SEARCH

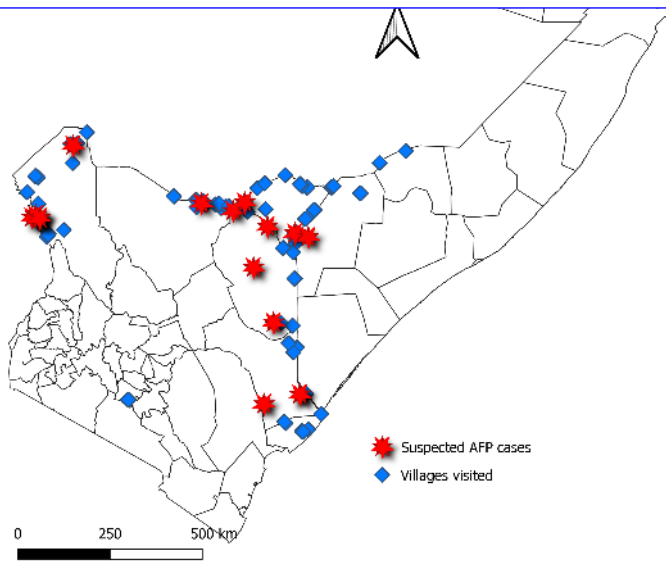
AFP active case search in CGPP Project areas Jan 01 - 27 Feb 2022



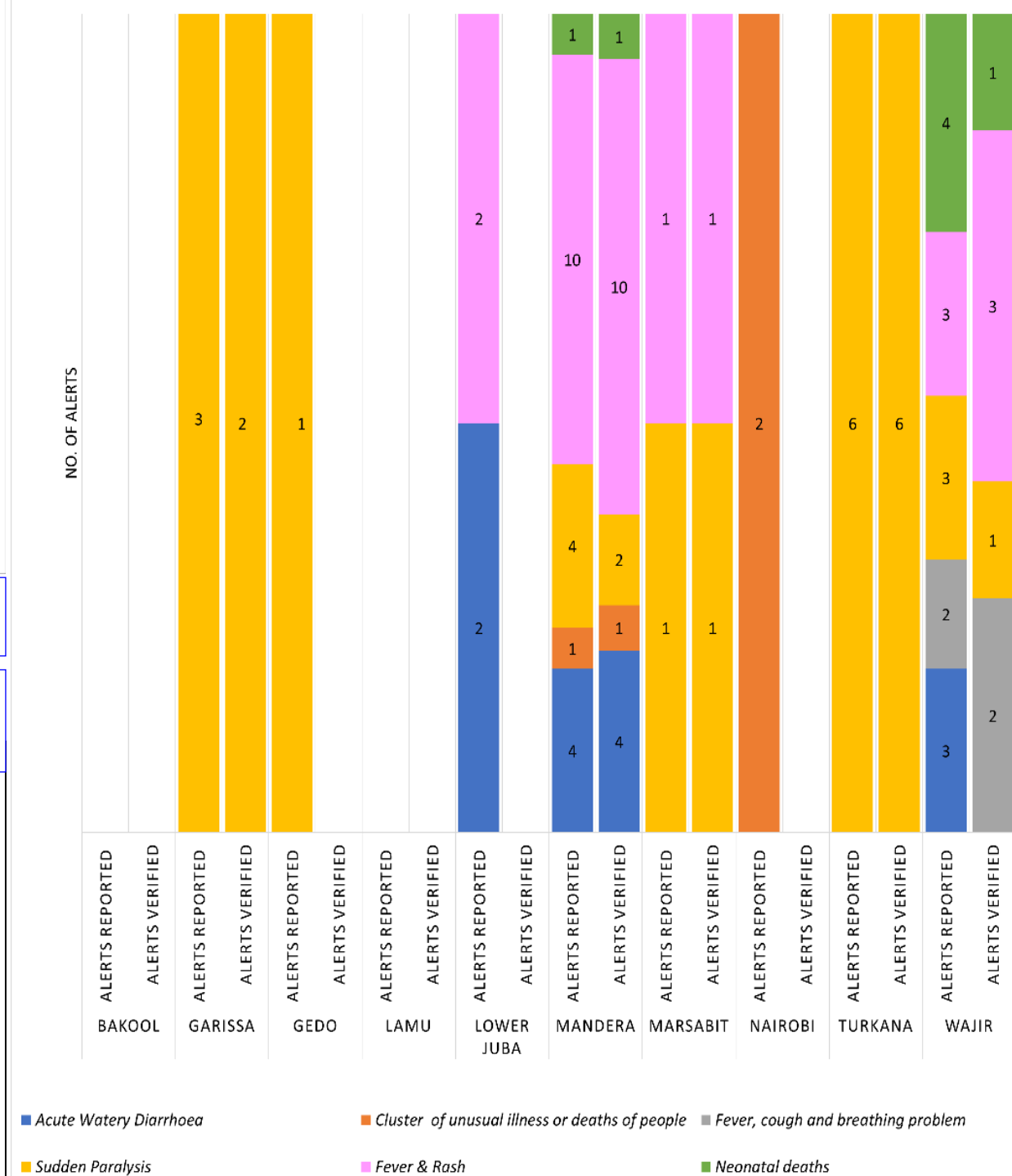
3 new suspected AFP case detected by community mobilizer in Turkana and Mandera counties, Kenya. No new suspected cases from Somalia reported during the week.

MAPPING OF AFP SURVEILLANCE DURING ACTIVE CASE SEARCH

01/01/2022 - 27/02/2022



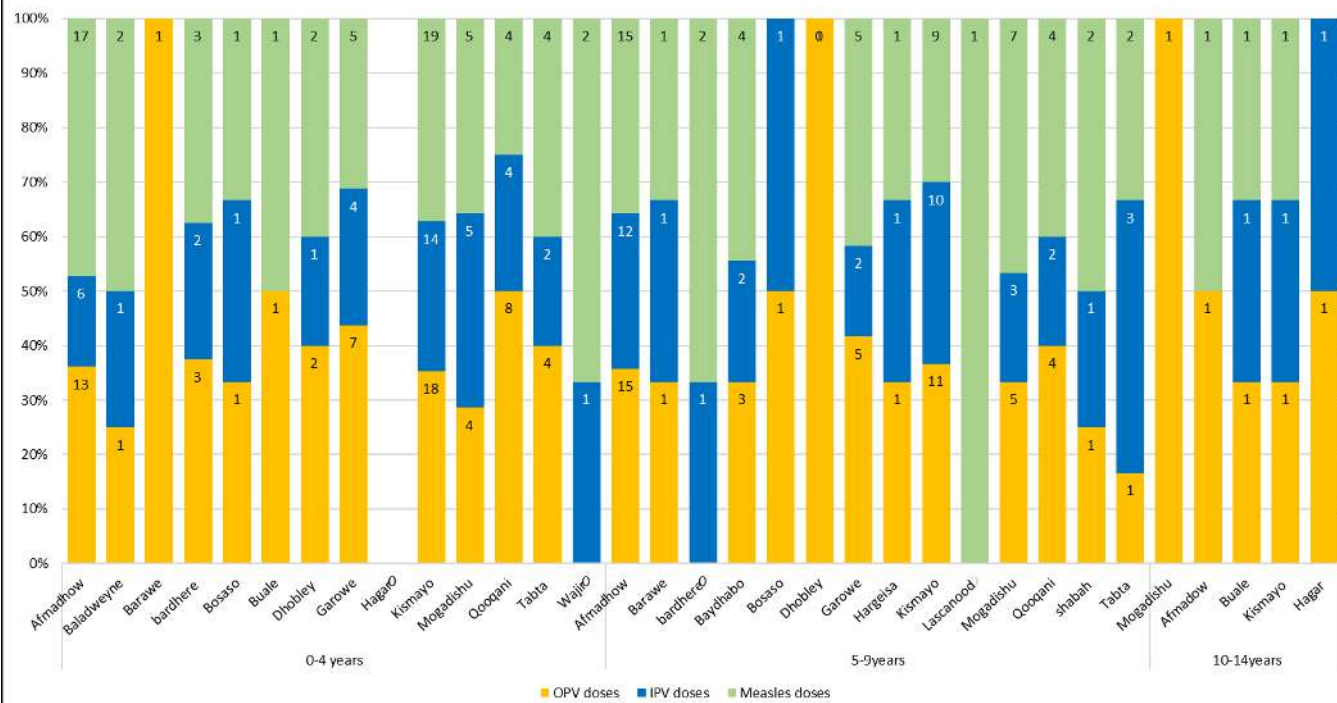
SUSPECTED HUMAN DISEASE ALERTS RECEIVED BY COUNTIES  
01/01/2022 - 27/02/2022



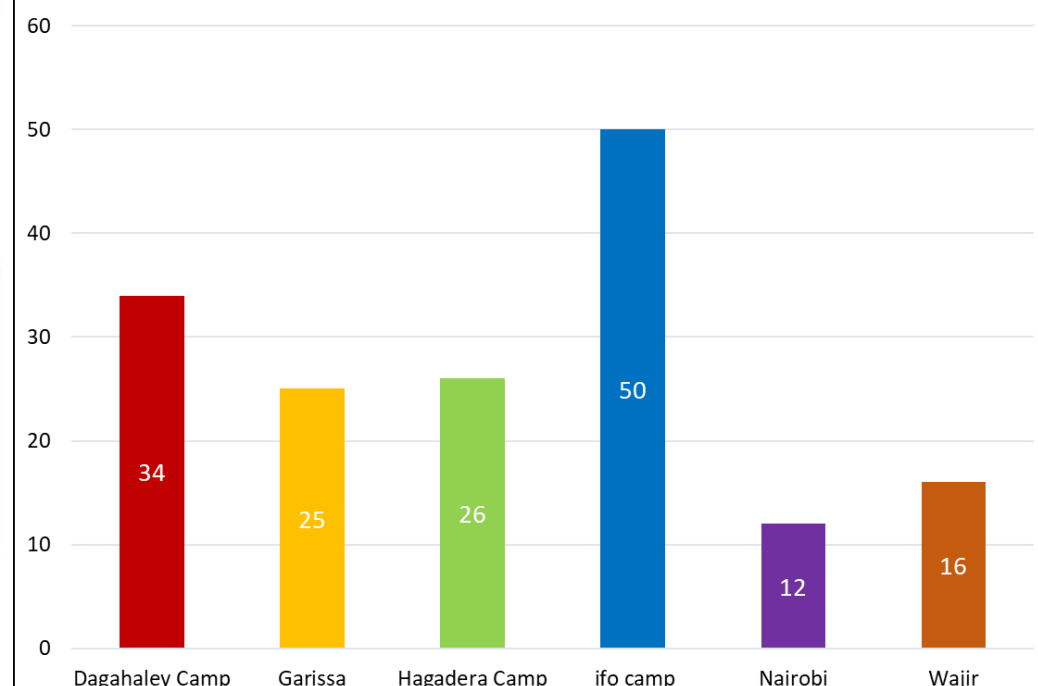
■ Acute Watery Diarrhoea      ■ Cluster of unusual illness or deaths of people      ■ Fever, cough and breathing problem  
 ■ Sudden Paralysis      ■ Fever & Rash      ■ Neonatal deaths

# CROSS-BORDER SURVEILLANCE AT DHOBLEY CROSSING POINT IN SOMALIA

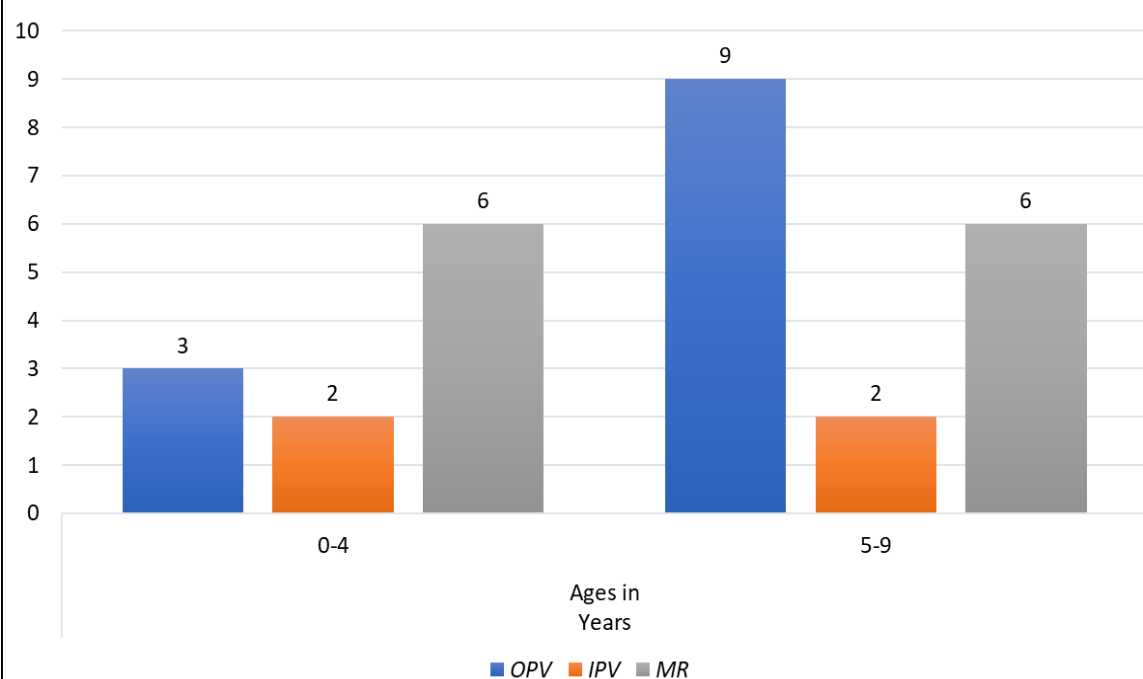
Children crossing the Dhobley crossing already administered with various immunization antigens (25/10/21 – 26/02/22) N= 321



Final destination for children < 15 yrs crossing the Dhobley crossing point (25/10/21 – 26/02/22)



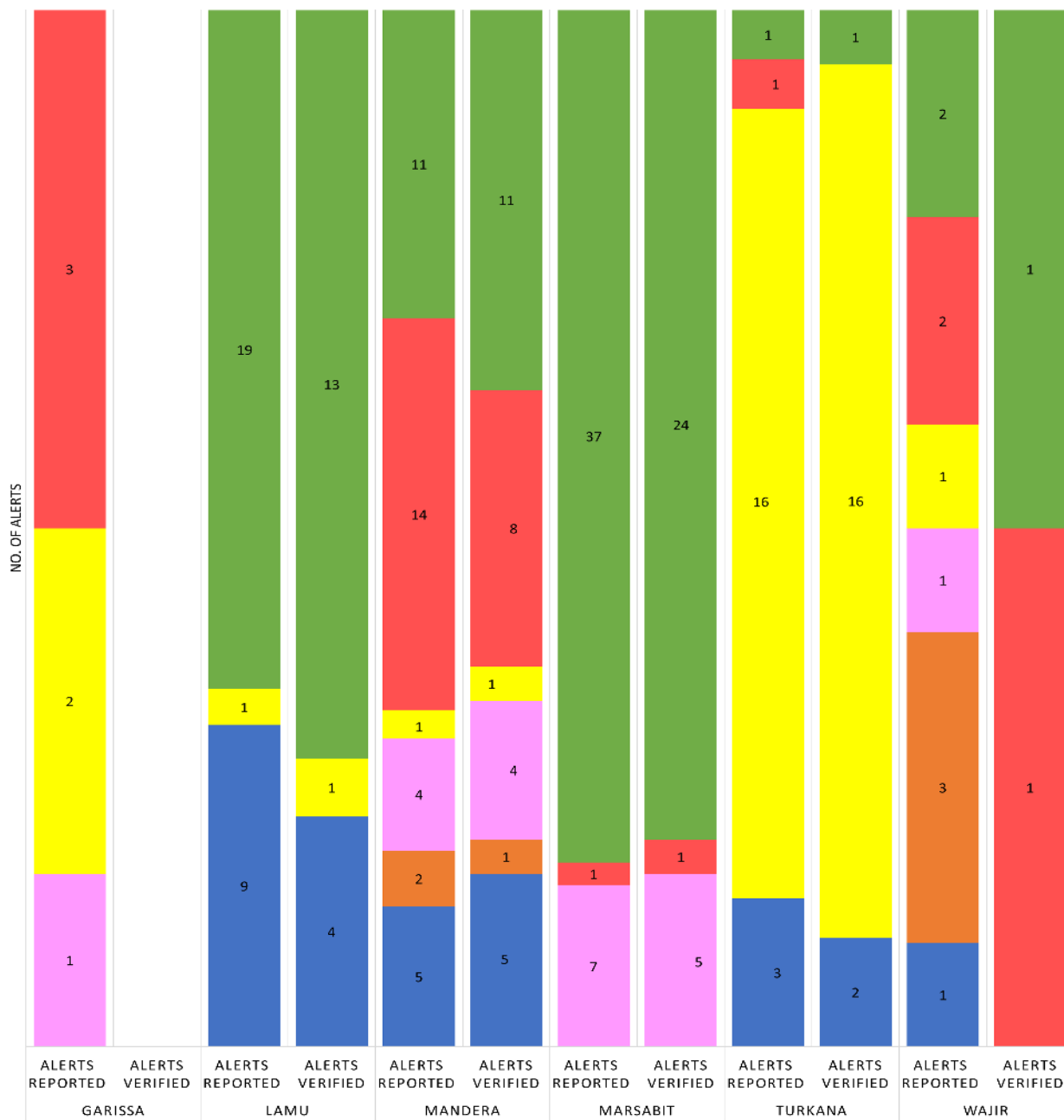
Immunization antigen administered at the dhobley crossing point (25/10/21 - 26/02/22)



- **CUMULATIVE:** A total of 163 children < 15 yrs managed to cross the Dhobley border point with IFO camp recording the highest number as the final destination with 50, Dagahley camp 34, Hagadera camp 26, Garissa town 25, Wajir 16 and Nairobi 12.
- Out of the 163 , 12 received OPV doses, 4 received IPV doses and MR received 12 doses, and were administered while crossing the border.
- Majority of the children were from age 0-4 yrs with 81 children, 5-9 yrs were 72 children and 10-14 yrs were 10 children.
- In terms of gender , out of the 163 children, 92 were female (56%) while 71 were male (44%).
- Most of the children are travelling from: Afmadow 31, Kismayo 29, Buale 15, Dhobley 11, Qooqani 12 Mogadishu 9 and others 56

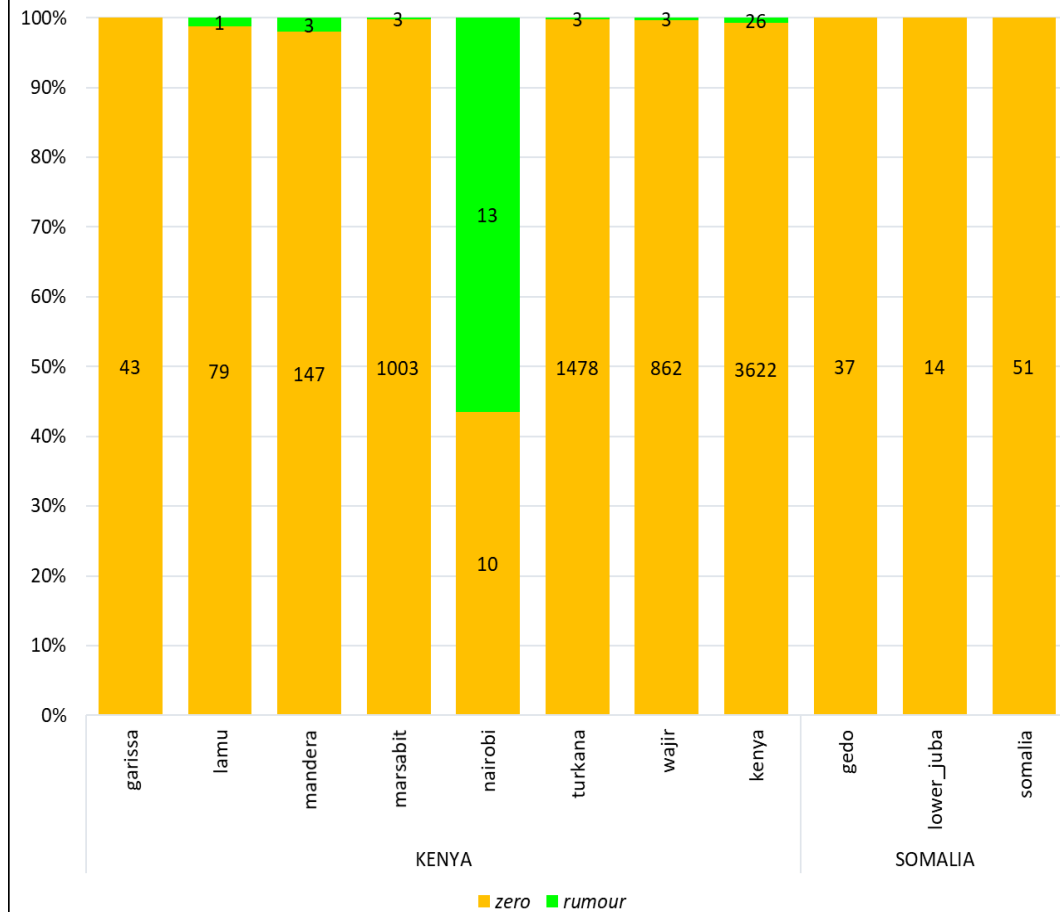
# COMMUNITY BASED DISEASE SURVEILLANCE ON PRIORITY ZOOONOTIC DISEASES.

SUSPECTED ANIMAL DISEASE ALERTS RECEIVED BY COUNTIES.  
01/01/2022 - 27/02/2022



- Cluster Animal Deaths
- Abortion in late pregnancy; retained placenta; swelling of testicles
- Cluster of abortions or deaths of young animals
- Deaths with unusual bleeding
- Aggressive animal bite
- Progressive loss of weight

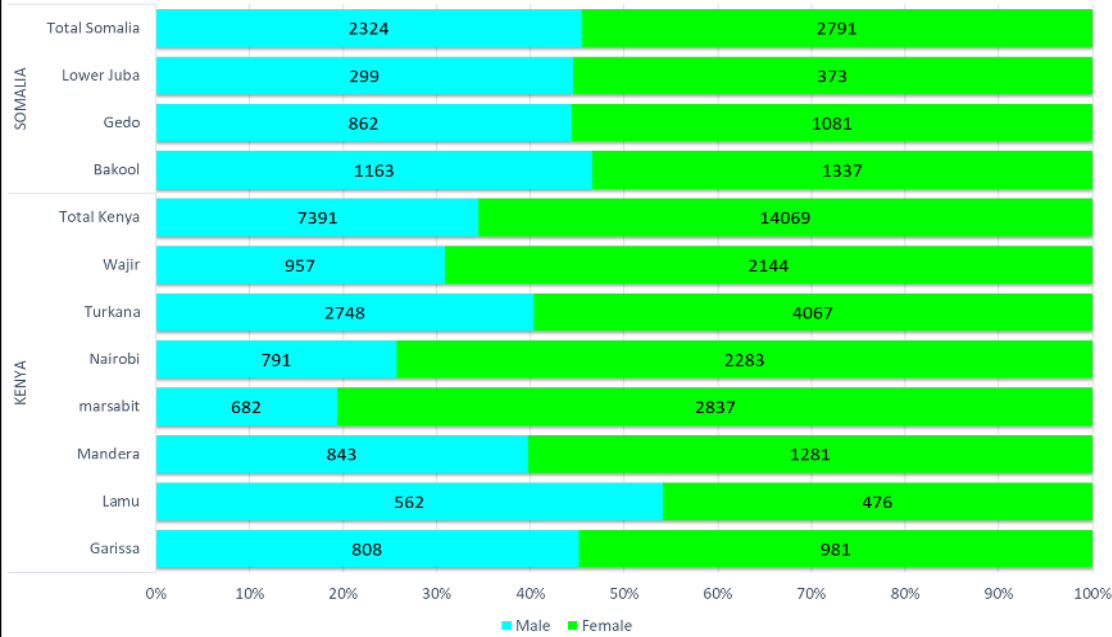
No. of rumors and zero reports (01/01/22 – 27/02/22)



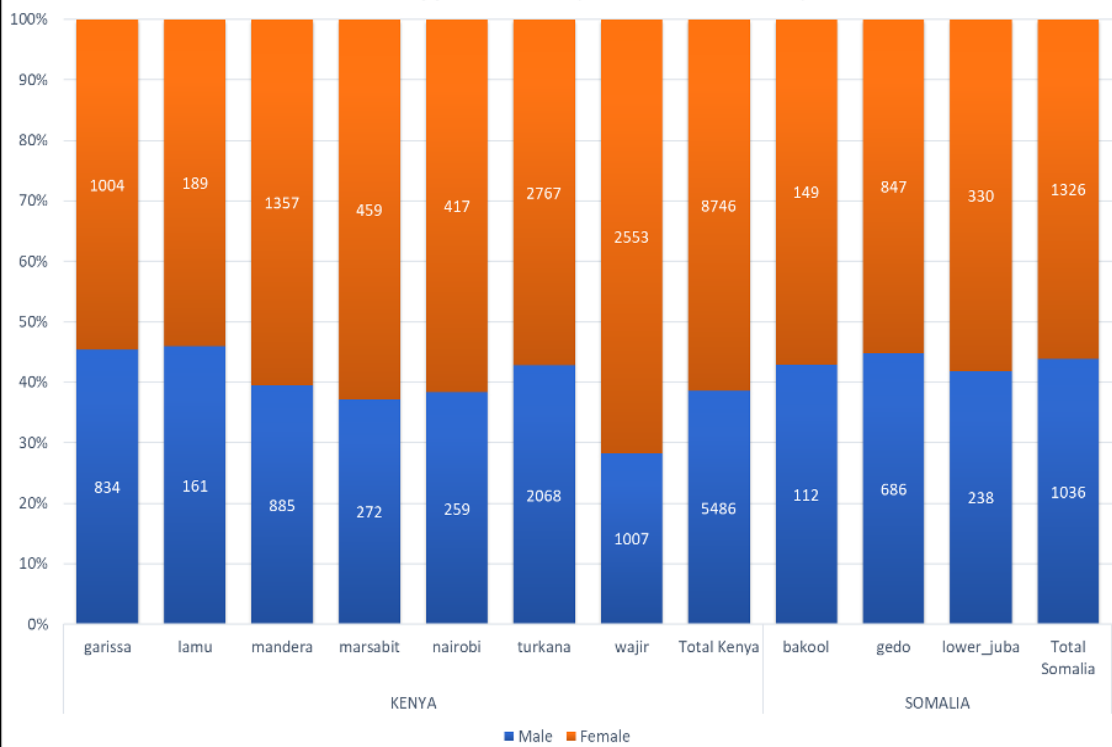
- **Rumor report** – this are hearsay information on diseases or disease intelligence reports collected by the community mobilizers
- **Zero reports** - are reports showing the community volunteers are doing active case search but no alerts picked during active case search.

# SOCIAL MOBILIZATION ACTIVITIES

# of person reached by gender during social mobilization (One on One Meetings) in CGPP supported areas (01/01/22 - 27/02/22)



# of person reached by gender during social mobilization (Group Meetings) in CGPP supported areas (01/01/22 - 27/02/22)



- **4,250** HHs visited by the social mobilizers during the week for sensitization of community members on hygiene, routine immunization, nutrition, priority zoonotic diseases, defaulter tracing and COVID-19 including vaccinations during the week.
- There are high number of dog bites reported in Turkana with communities discussing on ways to minimize the situation in their communities. Immediate killing of dogs after biting people were discouraged. The dog should be confiscated in order to conduct investigation to determine if the dogs contain rabies.
- Community mobilizers are also conducting group meetings (22) discussing vaccine preventable diseases and priority zoonotic diseases. In Mandera, the CMs are conducting intensive mobilization on polio. This is due to drought reasons, while communities crossing borders, leading to high transmission of diseases.
- Social mobilizers also managed to visits a total of **4,947** under five years children during the week (Kenya - 2,715 and Somalia—2232), to check their routine immunization status, defaulters and schedules.
- **48** influential people were sensitized through community dialogue and sensitizations meeting: 3 religious leaders, 12 traditional healers, 21 village elders, 2 women group leaders and 5 chief/sub-chiefs were reached by CMs amplifying the messages of routine immunization, vaccine preventable diseases and priority zoonotic diseases.
- **3** school heads and madrasa leader took part in the dialogue sessions and were also encouraged to amplify health messages especially routine immunization.

## COVID-19 SITUATIONAL UPDATES AS OF 20 FEB 2022.

KENYA			SOMALIA		
<b>Source: MoH Kenya</b>	Confirmed cases	<b>322,906</b>	Confirmed cases	<b>26,400</b>	
	Male cases	<b>182,118</b>	Deaths (CFR 5.7%)	<b>1,348</b>	
	Female cases	<b>140,788</b>	Recoveries & discharges	<b>10,793</b>	
	Death (CFR= 1.7 %)	<b>5,639</b>	A total <b>443,010</b> COVID-19 tests have been conducted.		
	Recoveries & discharges	<b>303,208</b>	<b>Regions supported by CGPP</b>	<b>Confirmed cases.</b>	<b>COVID-19 full vaccination</b>
A total <b>3,363,604</b> COVID-19 tests have been conducted.			<i>Jubaland State</i>	1,397	79,896 includes J&J one-dose
<b>Counties supported by CGPP</b>	<b>Confirmed cases.</b>	<b>COVID-19 full vaccination</b>	<i>South West State</i>	568	93,831 includes J&J one-dose
<i>Nairobi</i>	130,675	1,394,259	<b>Source: WHO</b>		
<i>Mandera</i>	426	34,347			
<i>Wajir</i>	300	35,545			
<i>Garissa</i>	2,662	46,195			
<i>Turkana</i>	2,660	69,435			
<i>Marsabit</i>	997	20,762			
<i>Lamu</i>	770	16,318			

## CHALLENGES

- Due to the ravaging drought in the northern part of Kenya and parts of Somalia,
  - There are mass death of livestock.
  - Increase in cross-border movement within the border of Kenya, Somalia and Ethiopia In search of water and pastures.
  - High number of IDPs in Dhobley, Dollow, Belet-hawa in Somalia.
- Heightened insecurity in border sub-counties of Garissa county.
- Closed health facilities due to insecurity/lack of funding i.e., 2 in Hulugho, 1 in Fafi in Garissa county, 2 in Wajir East and Kotulo in Wajir county and 2 in Belet-Hawa, 1 in Elwak and 1 in Bardere in Gedo region of Somalia
- Competing priority e.g., Covid-19 related activities

## PICTURE SPEAK



*Community mobilizer doing immunization defaulter tracing and AFP active case search in Hadijo village of Marsabit County, Moyale sub County*

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*Community Mobilizer conducting social mobilizations in border villages in Turkana County with focus on AFP surveillance, Priority Zoonotic diseases and Defaulter tracing.*

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### UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS/CONFERENCES

### WEEK OF

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| • CLA Training for USAID/KEA Implementing Partners | 8 and 10th March |
| • Monthly's PO's meeting                           | 9 March          |
| • USAID-CGPP Standing Call                         | 9 March          |