



## Islamic Relief Somalia launches PFP Project

**PFP is a 20-month project that supports rights holders in Somaliland and Puntland.**

Islamic Relief Somalia, with funding from Islamic Relief UK, has launched the Promoting Food Production for Small-Scale Farmers through Establishing Strategic Water Systems (PFP) project. This 24-month initiative focuses on enhancing agricultural production, improving livestock support, and increasing financial inclusion across Garowe in the Nugal region of Puntland and the Dacar Budhuq and Darasalam districts of Somaliland. The project aims to reach 9,530 families, equivalent to 57,016 individuals, with a strong emphasis on sustainable development and community empowerment.

Through the PFP project, Islamic Relief Somalia is committed to enhancing food security, promoting sustainable agricultural practices, and empowering communities in some of the most vulnerable regions of Somalia.



Project launch ceremony in Somaliland



Project launch ceremony in Puntland

### MESSAGE FROM COUNTRY DIRECTOR



I am pleased to inform you of the outstanding achievements we made during the second quarter of 2024. Your steadfast dedication, unwavering commitment, and true devotion have tremendously helped in the attainment of our objectives and increased our influence in the areas we serve. Despite the obstacles we faced this year, we have achieved significant progress in our noble efforts to help the needy population.

I am sure that our efforts will continue to improve the lives of many needy individuals, leaving a lasting legacy of positive change and progress. I would like to offer my heartfelt gratitude for your persistent drive and resilience in pursuing our mission of supporting those in severe need.

We are incredibly thankful for our donors' generous and regular support. Their participation is critical to helping us achieve our purpose of having a major influence on the people we serve.

Their unwavering belief in our mission and passion to make a difference in our community give continuing inspiration.

*Aliow Mohamed*

## World Labour Day: A Celebration of Workers' Rights and Dedication.



As the world commemorates worldwide Labour Day to recognize the efforts of workers, Islamic Relief Somalia acknowledges the significance of this day. For the past four years, Hamda Khadar Ibrahim, an HR officer based in Hargeisa, has seen personally the transforming influence of labor rights on employees and their unwavering dedication to helping others.

"World Labor Day is more than just a day off; it's a celebration of our efforts and the importance of our job," Hamda explains, reflecting on the significance of this important day. "It's an opportunity for us to recognize the hard work and dedication of all personnel who want to make a difference in Somalia."

Islamic Relief Somalia, a humanitarian organization committed to reducing suffering and assisting those in need, puts foremost on the well-being and rights of its staff members. The organization's policy on national holidays, such as World Labor Day, demonstrates this devotion.

The policy clarifies that "an employee must be entitled to all gazetted public holidays that coincide with normal working days with full pay in terms of labor proclamation in compliance with Somali labor laws." Employees of Islamic Relief are eligible for one day of work on May 1st."

For Hamda, this policy reflects a dedication to protecting the rights of its employees.

"This day off is more than just a legal responsibility; it's a show of respect and appreciation for the hard work that our staff members put in every day," she says. "It corresponds with Islamic Relief's fundamental values of compassion, dignity, and social justice."

The celebration of World Labor Day at Islamic Relief Somalia is more than just a day of relaxation; it's a celebration of the spirit of unity and the tireless efforts of people who work ceaselessly to help their communities. This spirit is reflected in Hamda's personal journey with the organization. With a strong desire to assist those in need, she is greatly motivated by the alignment of her personal principles with the objective of the organization.

*"Working with Islamic Relief has been an enjoyable endeavor since it is more than simply a job; it is about making a significant difference," Hamda says. "Seeing the difference we make in people's lives every day is really fulfilling and motivates me to continue moving ahead."*



## Achievements



**7,725**

orphan children and people were given support



**8,200**

rights-holders were given Water, Sanitation & Hygiene support



**14,794**

rights-holders were given free health care support



**179,460**

rights-holders were given Food Security & Livelihood support



**210,179**

rights-holders were given support from April to June 2024

## Case study - Mustafa Hussein, Magalo-ad, Somaliland



### Mustafa Hussein, a passionate father and farmer, resides in the heart of the Awdal region, specifically the village of Magalo-ad, Somaliland.

Mustafa, 53, supports his wife and 12 children with his farming activities. His life has been a constant struggle against adversity, yet his perseverance and determination come through.

"Islamic Relief not only transformed my life, but also planted a seed of hope," Mustafa says with a smile that shows his renewed sense of hope. His journey to self-sufficiency began a year ago, through to Islamic Relief's Strengthening Community Resilience and Economic Empowerment Programme (SHEEP), which supports farmers and communities in need in Somaliland and Puntland.

Previously, Mustafa's days were filled with concern as he struggled to provide even one meal every day for his children. Severe droughts frequently devastated his herd, forcing him to switch to farming.

However, pests and environmental problems repeatedly hindered his efforts. He anticipated farming his land without these worries and learning new techniques to better his farm and livestock. When Islamic Relief presented Mustafa to the SHEEP Project, he believed it was a dream. Islamic Relief set up a greenhouse on his land, which he shares with two other households.

*"It transformed me from a struggling farmer to someone who actively invests in his land," Mustafa says. "We saved over \$1,000 by using the greenhouse they provided, and we invested in more livestock. "This is really important to my family."*

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