



Jamaame Conflict Humanitarian Appeal | NAPAD | December 2025



Newly displaced families erect makeshift shelters in overcrowded camps after fleeing intense fighting in Jamaame

Executive Summary

In mid-November 2025, Somali federal and Jubbaland forces launched a major offensive targeting Al-Shabaab strongholds in Lower Jubba, including Jamaame, which has been under militant control for years. The operation aimed to secure Araare Bridge, a strategic crossing about 7 km from Jamaame, to open access routes and weaken Al-Shabaab's defensive positions. This was part of a larger campaign to reclaim territory and disrupt militant taxation and logistics hubs along the Juba River corridor. The fighting involved ground troops supported by aerial strikes, causing rapid escalation and forcing civilians to flee within hours. Entire communities abandoned homes, livelihoods, and belongings as violence intensified. Field monitoring confirms an estimated 3,800 households (approximately 22,800 people) were displaced between 16–18 November, amid reports of civilian casualties, destruction of markets, and mounting protection risks for women, children, older persons, and people with disabilities.



Newly displaced families are arriving in already overstretched host villages with no adequate shelter, safe water, or sanitation. Water points cannot meet the sudden population surge, and the absence of latrines has led to open defecation, heightening the risk of Acute Watery Diarrhoea (AWD) outbreaks. Health facilities are overwhelmed, and no mobile medical teams are reaching the hardest-hit areas. Livelihoods have collapsed. Local markets lie in ruins, livestock and small businesses are lost, and movement restrictions have cut off access to food and income. Families now depend entirely on humanitarian aid. Without fast, flexible funding, thousands of people sleeping in open areas face disease, hunger, and severe psychological distress. Urgent, multi-sectoral assistance, shelter, WASH, health, food, protection, and psychosocial support, is critical to prevent further suffering and restore dignity.

Crisis Snapshot

- Heavy clashes between 16–18 Nov 2025 and 3,800 households displaced.
- At least 12 killed and 22 injured; markets and storage facilities damaged/destroyed.
- Offensive operations within approximately 7 km of Jamaame near Araare Bridge has caused movement restrictions impeded safe passage
- Newly displaced families lack shelter, water, sanitation, and health services.
- Water points in arrival areas cannot meet the sudden population surge. Lack of latrines has led to increased open defecation, heightening the risk of Acute Watery Diarrhoea (AWD) outbreaks.
- Many Households now sleep in open areas, exposed to harsh weather and insecurity.
- Widespread trauma among those who witnessed violence or lost family members.
- Health facilities are overwhelmed and lack capacity to respond. No mobile medical teams are reaching the most affected villages.
- Local food markets destroyed; loss of livestock and small businesses has left displaced households fully dependent on humanitarian aid. Movement restrictions further limit access to food, income, and essential goods.



Origin Village	Arrival Village	Displaced Households
Muuse Xaaji	Nireey	770
Araare	Hanqoro	425
Koban	Biliq	845
Bangeeni	Shabeley	712
Maleyleey	Singaleer	25
Baladu-Raxma	Naftaaqur	643
Maan-Bile	Demo	380
Total	—	3,800

Displacement movements recorded between 16–18 November 2025 in Jamaame District (Source: PSMN/UNHCR)



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Humanitarian Needs & Priorities

- Immediate distribution of emergency shelter kits, tarpaulins, blankets, sleeping mats, kitchen sets, and essential NFIs.
- Rapid rehabilitation of water points, construction of temporary latrines, and distribution of hygiene kits, including soap and aqua tabs.
- Deploy mobile medical teams for trauma care, maternal and child health services, vaccinations, and nutritional screening.



- Provision of emergency food assistance or unconditional cash transfers to stabilize households.
- Establish Safe spaces, strengthen GBV response and referral, and identify and document unaccompanied or separated children.



Women and children queue for scarce water supplies in displacement sites, highlighting urgent WASH needs Funding Target.

Funding Target

NAPAD seeks an indicative budget of US\$ 1,566,500 to deliver life-saving assistance over the next 90 days. This funding will cover emergency shelter and NFIs, WASH interventions, health and nutrition services, food security support and protection activities. Detailed sector allocations will be shared upon request. Immediate partnerships are critical to scale up operations and prevent further loss of life.

Join NAPAD in responding to the Jamaame crisis. Your support will deliver life-saving shelter kits, restore access to clean water and health services, protect women and children from violence. Partner with us today to bring safety, dignity, and hope to thousands of displaced families.

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