

# **RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 13<sup>TH</sup> IGAD DROUGHT DISASTER RESILIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVE (IDDRSI)**

## **PLATFORM STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING**

### **NAIVASHA, KENYA**

**1 DECEMBER 2021**

The partners of the IGAD Drought Disaster Resilience and Sustainability Initiative (IDDRSI), including the IGAD Member States (Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, South Sudan, Sudan and Uganda), Development Partners (the African Development Bank, Germany Sweden, USAID), UN Agencies (FAO), Non-State Actors and the IGAD Secretariat, held the 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of the IDDRSI Platform Steering Committee on 30 November and 1 December 2021 in Naivasha, Kenya, with an option for online participation. The theme of the meeting was *Consolidating the Path to Resilience and Sustainability*.

The meeting was officially opened by Hon. Abdul Bahari, Chief Administrative Secretary, Ministry of Public Service, Gender, Senior Citizens Affairs and Special Programmes of Kenya; and was chaired by Mr. Mohamed Moussa, Director of Agriculture and Environment, representing H.E. Dr Workneh Gebeyehu, the IGAD Executive Secretary and Chairman of the IDDRSI Platform Steering Committee.

Appreciating the progress so far made in the implementation of IDDRSI, the Platform Steering Committee:

- 13.1. Recalls the IDDRSI PSC Recommendation No. 12.1, urging IGAD and Member States to mobilize resources for large scale water-based development that would bring a meaningful impact on the livelihoods of our people, while adhering to the principles of sustainable development.
- 13.2. Calls on Member States to translate their livestock development and rangeland policies based on inclusive value chain development that integrates and harmonizes all producers, service providers, in the areas of animal breeding, feed (water and forage), biodiversity, health services and marketing.
- 13.3. Urges the IGAD Secretariat and Development Partners to consider the different structural situations and varied degrees of fragility of the Member States when selecting, designing and implementing resilience projects to ensure that food and nutrition insecurity, conflict-sensitivity and Do-No-Harm principles are taken into account at all levels of program/project planning and implementation.

- 13.4. Further calls on the IGAD Secretariat, Member States and Development Partners to expand the scope and scale of resilience investments in the region in the face of quadrupling hazards - drought, floods, pests, human disease and conflicts that have undermined the progress made since the launch of IDDRSI.
- 13.5. Further calls upon IGAD to support Member States to establish a national architecture for climate financing, and a national system for monitoring the mobilization of climate and environment funds.
- 13.6. Recalls recommendation No. 12.2. to the IGAD Secretariat to mobilize support to operationalize and sustain the IGAD Cross border Development Facilitation Unit at Moroto; and further calls on Member States and Partners to fulfill their commitments to support the staffing and efficient operationalization of the IGAD-CBDFU.
- 13.7. Recalls Recommendation No. 11.1 of the 11<sup>th</sup> Platform Steering Committee meeting urging the IGAD Secretariat and Member States to continue to strengthen monitoring and evaluation, to ensure continuous and effective tracking of progress at all levels; and calls on the IGAD Secretariat to improve M&E units at technical ministries, enhance capacity on planning, data collection, data analysis and results-based reporting.
- 13.8. Calls on Member States to undertake the mid-term reviews of their Country Programming Papers and urges the IGAD Secretariat to facilitate and coordinate this exercise.
- 13.9. Recalls Recommendation No. 10.7 of the 10<sup>th</sup> Platform Steering Committee meeting and urges the IDDRSI Platform Coordination Unit to develop a database of people and resources using a robust programme portfolio management tool such as 3W Map, in order to effectively coordinate the activities of support actors that are implementing resilience building processes in the cross-border areas of the IGAD region.
- 13.10. Calls on the IGAD Secretariat, Member States and Development Partners to support the on-going efforts in resource mobilisation for the implementation of the projects developed for IGAD Clusters 1, 2 and 4; as well as the proposals that will be developed for clusters.
- 13.11. Calls upon Member States, Development Partners and IGAD Secretariat to support the IDDRSI Platform Coordination Units at national level to provide the staffing, equipment and facilitation required for effectiveness, efficiency and quality services delivery.

- 13.12 Calls on the IGAD Secretariat to implement the road map for the approval and implementation of the IGAD climate change strategy and establish an IGAD forum on climate change.
- 13.13 Recommends that the IDDRSI Platform undertake studies on the magnitude and impact of drought, and the responses; in order to assess the effectiveness of IDDRSI and ensure evidence-based discussions and decisions by the Platform Steering Committee.
- 13.14 Recognizes the threat of COVID-19 and other pandemics on the social and economic sectors in the IGAD Region, such as reduced agricultural production, market and trade restrictions, and urges Member States to advocate for access to vaccines and expeditiously carry out country-wide vaccination campaigns.
- 13.15 Calls upon IGAD Secretariat to accelerate efforts to develop bankable proposals aimed at building resilience to slow and sudden onset hazards in the region within the framework of IDDRSI, with particular focus on flood control.
- 13.16 Urges Member States to collaborate with the IGAD Secretariat to ensure that IGAD regional projects and programmes provide capacity building opportunities to communities at local, sub-national, and cross-border areas and use existing public and traditional institutional structures.