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Integrated Food Security Phase Classification

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Overview of Famine Typologies

Famine, Famine Likely, Risk of Famine, Catastrophe

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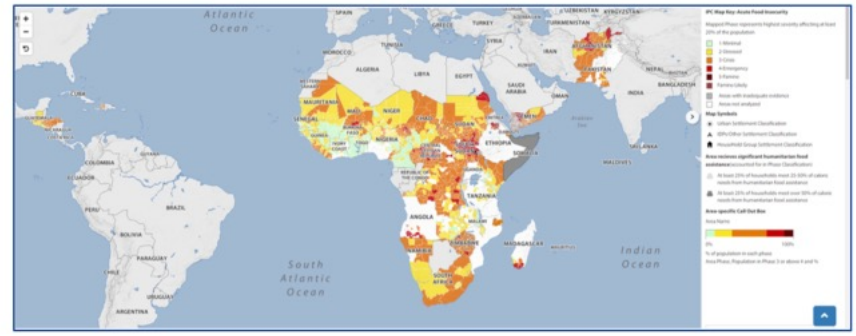
IPC is a common global scale to classify food insecurity and malnutrition

It is...

-  A process for building evidence-based **technical consensus** among key stakeholders
-  A global approach to **consolidate wide-ranging** evidence
-  A path to provide **actionable knowledge** for decision making
-  A platform that **assures rigorous and neutral** analyses

It produces...

Estimates of severity and magnitude of food insecurity and malnutrition that inform the allocation of over \$7 Billion annually



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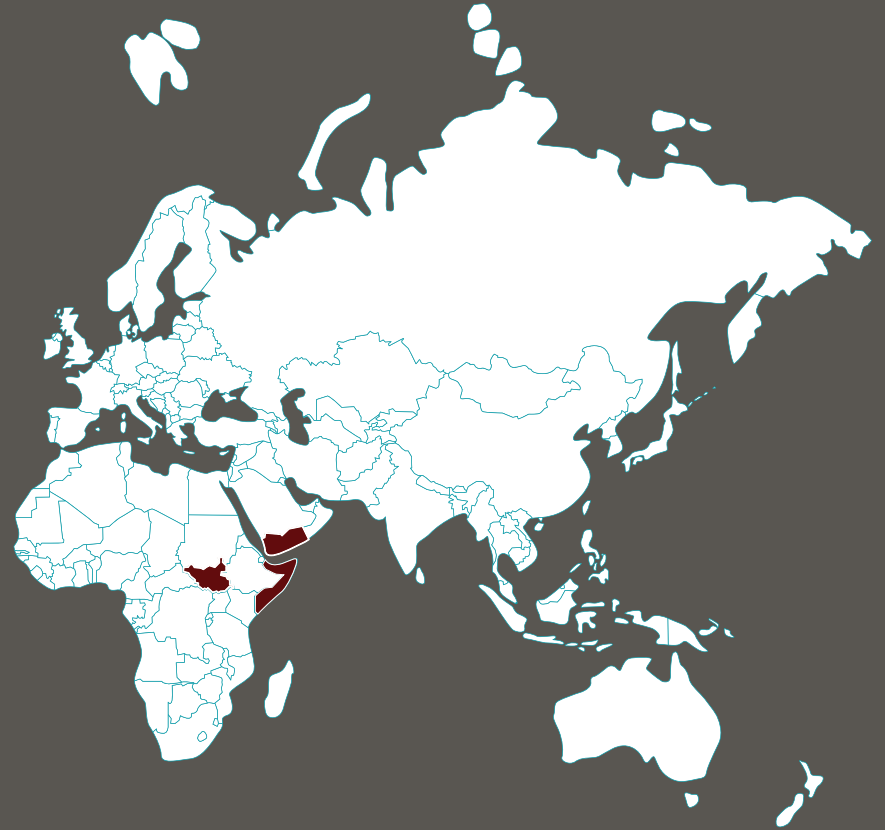
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Famine: Definition and Measurement

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IPC defines famine as an extreme deprivation of food. Starvation, death, destitution, extremely critical levels of acute malnutrition and mortality are or will likely be evident.



Food Consumption & Livelihood Change

At least 20% of the population has highly inadequate food consumption or near exhaustion of livelihoods



Acute Malnutrition

At least 30% of the children are acutely malnourished



Mortality

There are at least two deaths per 10,000 people per day attributed to starvation or the interaction of food deficits and disease

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Severity and magnitude are the same, confidence in findings differ



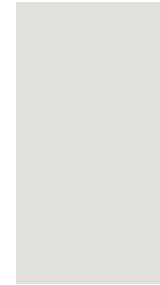
Famine

Adequate evidence on three outcomes



Famine Likely

Limited evidence



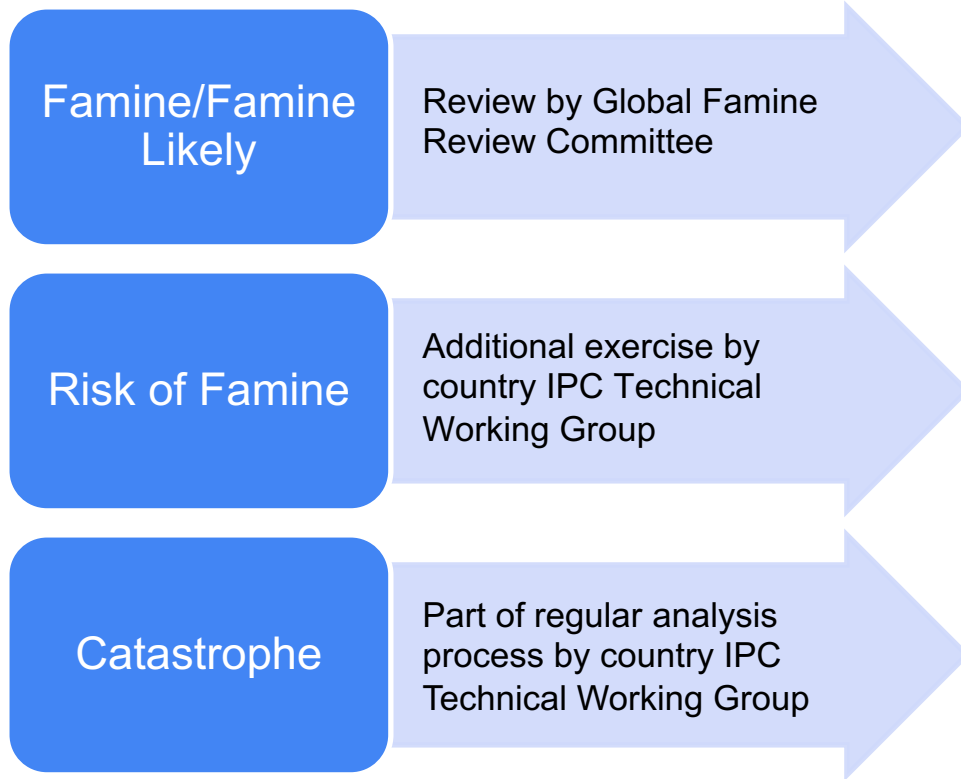
Risk of Famine

Statement on reasonable probability, not necessarily most likely scenario

Catastrophe

- ❑ Reference to the number of people facing starvation and destitution (IPC food security Phase 5)
 - ❑ Not an Area Classification → The area may or may not be in Famine
 - ❑ To be classified in Famine → Requires >20% of the population in IPC Phase 5
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Famine Classification: The Process



ACT NOW !

Famine

- Urgent large scale humanitarian assistance to avert and prevent further starvation, deaths and malnutrition

Famine Likely

- Urgent large scale humanitarian assistance to avert and prevent further starvation, deaths and malnutrition
- Urgent collection of data to confirm severity and magnitude

Risk of Famine

- Urgent scale up of anticipatory action and preparedness
- Urgent humanitarian assistance to alleviate severity
- Continuous monitoring

Catastrophe

- Urgent targeted humanitarian assistance to avert and prevent further starvation, deaths and malnutrition
- Urgent scale up of anticipatory action and preparedness



Anticipatory Action
should actually take
place before !

Communicating Famine

The FSC plays a key role in supporting strategic dissemination of IPC/CH findings for response analysis, advocacy and decision making



From the onset of a food crisis to prevent deterioration



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GUIDELINES FOR COMMUNICATING THE IPC'S ACUTE FOOD INSECURITY SCALE AND FAMINE

What is the IPC and IPC Acute Food Insecurity?
The IPC is a set of tools and procedures to classify the severity and characteristics of acute food and nutrition crises as well as chronic food insecurity based on international standards. The IPC consists of four mutually reinforcing functions, each with a set of specific protocols (tools and procedures).
The core IPC parameters include consensus building, convergence of evidence, accountability, transparency and comparability. The IPC analysis aims at informing emergency response as well as medium and long-term food security policy and programming.
For the IPC, Acute Food Insecurity is defined as any manifestation of food insecurity found in a specified area at a specific point in time of a severity that threatens lives or livelihoods, or both, regardless of the causes, context or duration. It is highly susceptible to change and can occur and manifest in a population within a short amount of time, as a result of sudden changes or shocks that negatively impact on the determinants of food insecurity.

About these Guidelines
These guidelines, developed by the IPC Communication team within the Global Support Unit, are intended for all stakeholders who use the Acute Food Insecurity (AFI) information products. It is essential that everyone who speaks or writes about AFI outcomes uses consistent language suitable to correctly describe the situation in any of the IPC AFI phases and what response actions to recommend.
The guidelines place emphasis on Famine, a loaded term often over-used in humanitarian communication. In a bid to galvanise global attention and trigger responses, the purpose of this section is to clarify how the IPC classifies and communicates Famine, recommends actions, illustrating key concepts, including Catastrophe (IPC Phase 5) and Famine and Famine Likely and Risk of Famine.

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