



# Somalia

## Summary of country engagement at SWA

Somalia became an SWA partner in 2019. The government is represented by the Ministry of Health in the partnership. The country has developed a national WASH Policy and a Strategy Plan to be open defecation free by 2030. Both the policy and plan have been translated into local languages for adoption at the local level.

#### **Commitments by the government**

Commitment	Body / Organizations	Target Year	Progress Description	Constituency	Progress
Develop the Somali WASH National Policy	Ministry of Health	2019		Government	100%
Develop the Somali WASH sector strategy	Ministry of Health	2019		Government	100%
Translate the Community- Led Total Sanitation Protocol into local language and adopt it across the country by 2019.	Ministry of Health	2019		Government	100%

## **Commitments by partners**

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UNICEF will support Ministry of Health in developing new Community- Led Total Sanitation (CLTS) guidelines, protocols, training materials and a cadre of master trainers to scale up CLTS across the country.	UNICEF	2020		External Support Agencies	100%
UNICEF will support finalization of National WASH Sector Strategic Plan and M&E Framework.	UNICEF	2020		External Support Agencies	Reviewing prog
UNICEF will support finalization of National WASH Policy for approval by the Federal Cabinet.	UNICEF	2020		External Support Agencies	Reviewing prog

# **Focal Points**

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