MIGRATION RESPONSE CENTRE – BOSSASO

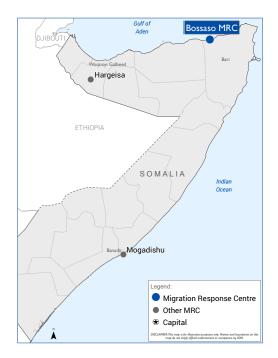


PROFILE

Year of establishment: 2009 | **Management:** Managed by the Governor of the Bari region (Ministry of Interior) **Target groups:** Stranded migrants, particularly migrants en route to the Arab Peninsula

Migration Response Centres (MRCs) are situated along key migration routes, where they fill critical gaps by facilitating the identification of migrants in vulnerable situations and ensuring that they receive appropriate and immediate support. Migrants are assisted with shelter, food, non-food items, health and psychosocial assistance, among other types of assistance. Migrants wishing to return to their places of origin are supported with assisted voluntary return and reintegration. The assistance is provided either directly at the MRCs, via mobile outreach, or via referral to partners.

In East and the Horn of Africa and Yemen, MRCs are currently operational in Hargeisa in Somaliland, Bossaso in Puntland, and Mogadishu in Benadir Regional Administration; Obock in Djibouti; Semera, Metema, Dire Dawa, Togochale, and Moyale in Ethiopia; and Khartoum, Gedaref, and Kassala in Sudan; and Aden and Marib in Yemen. The services provided by each MRC vary based on location and needs.



^{1.} Voluntary humanitarian return for the context in Yemen.



Migrant during a medical examination at the MRC clinic in Bossaso. © IOM / Muse Mohammed

Services delivered by the MRC and its mobile response team



Registration and protection assessment



Counselling and psychosocial support



Provision of non-food items



Medical assistance



Information sharing and awareness raising



Information hotline



Mobile patrols and mobile health clinics



Advocacy and protection for detained migrants

Services delivered to MRC beneficiaries in collaboration with partners



Assisted voluntary return, including pre-return assistance and coordination with embassies of migrants' countries of origin (IOM)



Consular assistance (embassies of migrants' countries of origin)



Medical support via referral for secondary health care (Bossaso Hospital)



Shelter for unaccompanied migrant children (TASS)



Shelter and direct assistance (Ethiopian Community Committee)



Shelter for unaccompanied migrant children and migrants with protection concerns awaiting assisted voluntary return and reintegration (TASS and safe house operated by Puntland Ministry of Women Development and Family Affairs and Shilcon Safe House)



Assistance for persons of concern to UNHCR

Other partners

UNICEF in support of timely and quality assistance of child protection services

More details on the profiles of migrants registered at MRCs, assistance provided, migration routes and further information can be found in an interactive data dashboard <u>under this link</u> (accessible upon request).

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