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DENMARK IN SOMALIA

Overview of Denmark's Strategic Framework for Somalia and
Denmark's Bilateral Development Programme for Somalia 2024-2028



The Somalia Strategic Framework 2024-2028

The Denmark-Somalia Bilateral Development Programme 2024-28 forms part of the wider Danish engagement presented in the Danish Somalia Country Strategic Framework (CSF) 2024-2028. The CSF aims to foster a stable, inclusive, prosperous, and democratic Somalia by addressing root causes of instability, poverty, and inequality. This framework aligns with Somalia’s National Development Plans and encompasses the following strategic objectives:

<p>Strategic objective 1: Ensure adaptation to climate change through equitable access to resources and enabling inclusive and green growth.</p>	<p>Strategic objective 2: Promote stability and security, inclusive state building and protection of human rights.</p>	<p>Strategic objective 3: Strengthen resilience and addressing displacement and migration.</p>
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Denmark’s partnership with Somalia includes development, peace and stabilization efforts, humanitarian activities, diplomacy, and political dialogue. The collaboration involves, but are not limited to, Somali and Danish government authorities, Danish and Somali civil society, private-sector entities, international organizations, and financial institutions such as the World Bank, Investment Fund for Developing Countries (IFU) and the European Union.

Principles for Denmark’s engagement in Somalia

- 1 Somalia’s Green Transition & Growth:** As a global pioneer in carbon reduction and climate change adaptation, Denmark will leverage its decades’ long experience to help Somalia fast track its green transition and green growth, and apply its expertise in climate adaptation, mitigation, and natural resource management to help foster a socially and economically fair green transition in Somalia. The programmes also work to strengthen Somali capacity and ability to access green finance.
- 2 Stabilization, security & Peacebuilding:** Denmark has been a steadfast partner in both combating piracy and terrorism in Somalia for decades. Denmark will build on this experience to support, strengthen, and further Somali-led stabilization efforts and promote early recovery in newly liberated areas. It will also work to address larger, more long-standing drivers of inequity and conflict.
- 3 State and Institution building & Reconciliation:** Denmark will promote inclusive, accountable, and participatory governance in its partnership with Somalia. Denmark will focus on building the capacity and advocacy of civil society and media partners but will also work on supply-side governance by strengthening economic institutions, including through the post-HIPC process.
- 4 Gender Equality and Human Rights:** Denmark will continue to prioritize gender equality, the rights of women and girls, freedom of media and inclusion of youth voices, aligning with its overarching commitment to human rights. Empowering women and girls and supporting their participation in governance, the private sector, and decision-making processes are central to Denmark's efforts in this area.
- 5 Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus:** Denmark's engagement across humanitarian, development, and peacebuilding domains offers an opportunity for strategic cohesion and complementarity. Efforts will focus on developing effective nexus models, including areas such as community resilience towards climate and conflict shocks, durable solutions, and preventing internal displacement.

BILATERAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME FOR SOMALIA

2024-2028

To deliver on the three overarching strategic priorities, Denmark will engage in 8 selected development projects, fully aligned with the priorities set out in Somalia’s National Development Plans. DKK 1,1 Billion will be allocated to leading implementing partners with strong capacities on Danish priorities.

Projects include;

- 1.1** Climate change Adaptation and Nature-based solutions through the **World Bank**
- 1.2** Support to **Somaliland Development Fund**
- 1.3** Green growth, business enabling environment & Jobs with **IFU**
- 2.1** Core state-building through the **World Bank’s Multi-Partner Fund**
- 2.2** Strengthening voice and accountability through a **CSO Facility**
- 2.3** Social Protection and Human Rights with **UNICEF**
- 3.1** Rural resilience via NGOs
- 3.2** Urban resilience via NGOs

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