KEY MESSAGES

- A total of 7 entries compared to 3 exits were recorded in Dolow IDP camps during the reporting period. There have been below-average numbers of movements in and out of Dolow IDP sites ever since the Gu raining season started four weeks ago.

- All of the new arrivals came from refugee camps across the border in Ethiopia. Most cited lack of food as their reason for displacement (67%), and the remaining were rejoining families (33%).

- All of the new arrivals last week went to Qansaxley site. Kabasa has been officially closed to new arrivals since October 2017.

- The one family who exited from Kabasa cited managing their farm as their reason for exit. They were heading to Baidoa District in Bay Region.
METHODOLOGY

Movement Trend Tracking (MTT) is a movement monitoring exercise that tracks people who are moving in or out of sites on a semi-permanent or permanent basis. MTT aims to gauge the pulse of movements in and out of sites in Dolow.

MTT figures should not be considered official updates to the population figures of the sites. Rather, the data represents the intentions of IDPs and points towards general trends in their movements.

In Dolow, IOM enumerators are positioned at the 2 main IDP sites, Kabasa and Qansaxlay, 7 days a week from sunrise to sunset. The teams identify people who are moving in or out of the sites with luggage. Interviews are done with the individual or the head of household.

MTT aims to complement existing information management products on displacements and movements in Dolow, by providing site level specific data on population movements on a regular basis, to assist agencies operating in sites and settlements with key information on: demographics of movement, area of origin, area of return/onward movement, reasons for movement and movement trends over time.