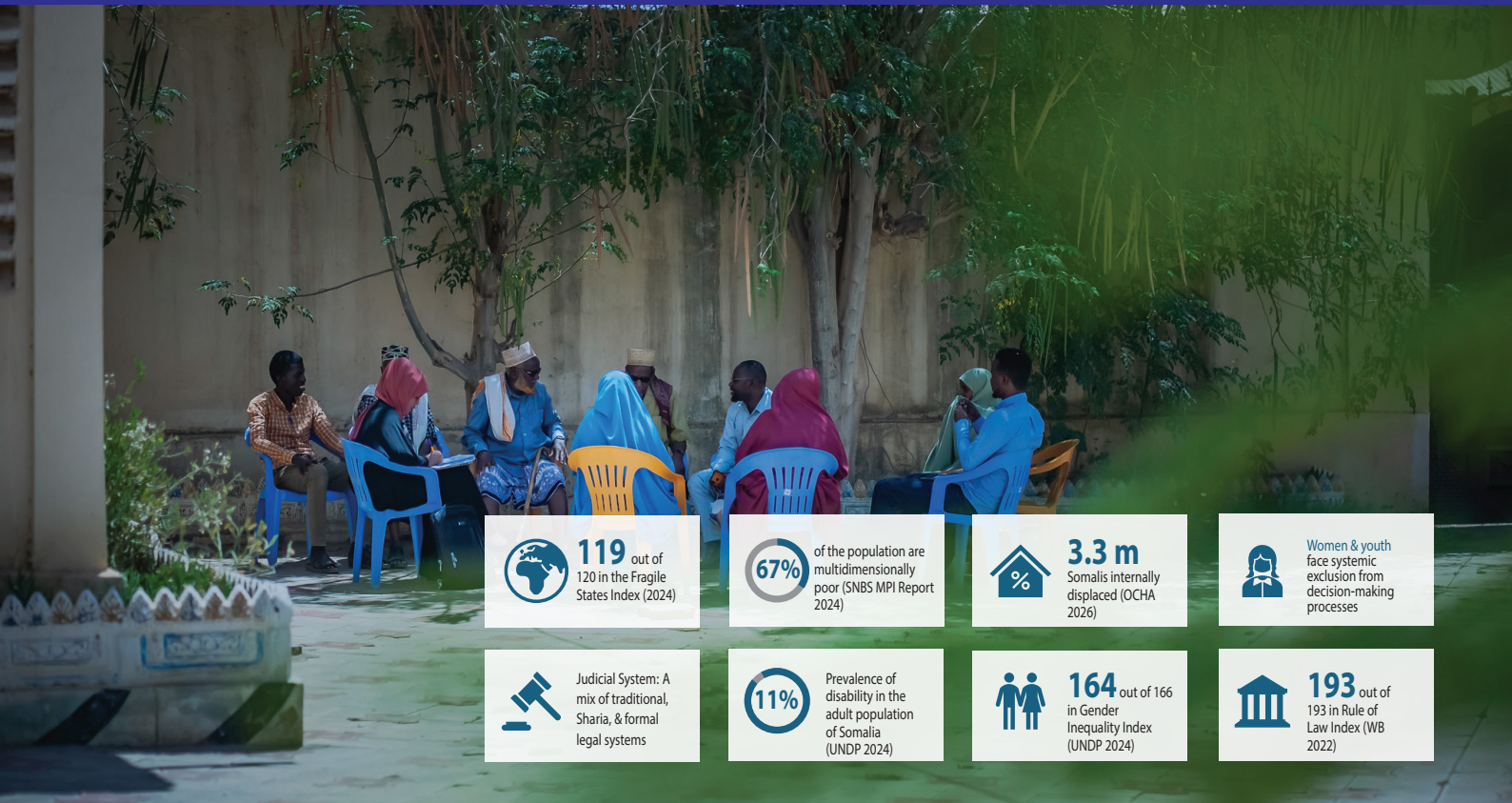




Joint Justice and Correction Program (JJCP)



A sustainable and legitimate justice and corrections system, based on people-centered and community-led approaches, can deliver improved justice solutions; and justice solutions are designed using participatory processes and implemented at local and FMS levels.



BACKGROUND

Somalia's justice and corrections systems are fragmented and under-resourced, shaped by decades of conflict, weak governance, and climate crises. Trust in formal institutions remains low, with most Somalis relying on informal and customary mechanisms, which often exclude or harm women and marginalized groups. Moreover, these systems are further daunted by fragile justice mechanisms, compounded by entrenched clan power dynamics and systemic gender inequalities. Over 70% of the population lives below the poverty line, with limited access to justice services. This calls for a people-centered justice and corrections model that integrates formal and informal systems, strengthening institutions, and empowering communities to rebuild trust, legitimacy, and equitable access to justice across Somalia.



QUICK FACTS

Project Duration: Jun 2023 - May 2027

Total Budget: \$16 million

Focus Area: Security, rule of law, access to justice, people centered justice reform

Implementing Partners: The line ministries and justice sector institutions at the federal and state level

Contributing Partners: European Union and the Netherlands through Somali Joint Fund (SJF)

Partner Agencies: United Nations Transitional Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNTMIS) and United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC)



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KEY ACHIEVEMENTS so far...

- Somalia's First National Justice Sector Strategy (2025–2029) developed through an inclusive, systems-thinking approach engaging over 1,000 stakeholders.
- A people-centered justice and corrections model was developed and integrated into the constitutional review process.
- Generative dialogue sessions engaged 987 participants to identify justice challenges and co-create community solutions.
- 5,300+ cases resolved through Alternative Dispute Resolution in 2025, a more than 200% increase compared to 2024 made possible through targeted investment in capacities of ADR mediators.
- Trained 2,000+ elders, youth, women, and religious leaders as mediators working in ADR centres since 2023.
- 1,143 prisoners participated in rehabilitation programmes, including education and vocational training.
- 972 prisoners supported through reintegration and psychosocial support programmes.
- 304 corrections officers trained in rehabilitation, reintegration, and dynamic security.
- Prison oversight and infrastructure improvements strengthened through inspection visits and renovations at Mogadishu Central Prison and Court Complex.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- 1 Increased trust in the justice institutions
- 2 Increased the capacity of the formal and informal justice sector on integrative justice solutions
- 3 Local Integrative justice solutions adopted and implemented
- 4 Justice policies adopted that reflect the community needs
- 5 Justice sector strategy adopted and implemented
- 6 Operationalized a federated Justice and correction Model (JCM)
- 7 Operational Community-Based Corrections Systems for Reintegration
- 8 Functional ADR mechanisms established in key locations
- 9 Adoption and Implementation of a Reformed Prison Law
- 10 Improved Prison Conditions and Rehabilitation Services



GENDER INCLUSION

- Inclusion of women in community justice and ADR processes
- 40% female participation in training programs.
- Considered women legal professionals for internship programme

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