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A multitude of factors have combined to create very complex hunger equations:

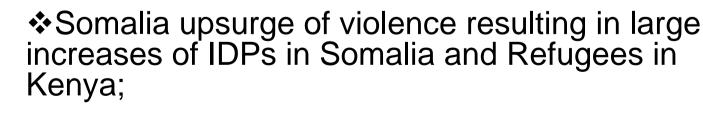
- ❖Conflict;
- ❖HIV/AIDS;
- Climate change;
- High food, fuel and input prices;
- ❖Global financial crisis.





It is a major challenge to continue meeting the urgent relief needs of increasing numbers of hungry and food insecure people:

- ❖Horn of Africa :
 - ❖ 18 million need relief assistance in 2009,
 - 2 million more than in February;







- In Eastern DRC 142,000 displaced people require food assistance;
- Southern Africa Floods: over one million people affected in Angola, Namibia and Zambia;



Global Financial crisis severely affecting people that depend on mining, tourism, exports such as coffee and remittances from migrant workers;



Recession in African countries is expected to have an adverse impact on food security especially for people receiving HIV/AIDS support;



US\$648 million needed to cover immediate 2009 requirements.



Meeting the Challenges

We must be more creative, cost effective and form strong partnerships that complement our work as we look at new ways to reduce long term hunger.





Meeting the Challenges

We will apply where appropriate and to the best advantage a wide array of tools that WFP's strategic plan places at our disposal:

- Advance Purchasing and Prepositioning of stocks;
- ❖ Assessments for a more effective emergency response and better intelligence of the new face of hunger;



Maximizing opportunities for local and regional procurement of food;



Meeting the Challenges

- Strengthening capacities of countries to reduce hunger and building strategic partnerships;
- Purchase for Progress programmes;
- Cash and Voucher schemes to facilitate access to food and support the reemergence of markets;



❖ Developing hand-over strategies to enhance nationally owned hunger solutions.



Thank You

for your

confidence in WFP's ability

to meet the challenges

