

Pictured is 77-year-old Bihi from Somaliland.

FROM THE FIELD Bihi from Somaliland

We first met Bhi in Balilmatan—an area south of Somaliland's capital city, Hargeisa, where more than 1,000 internally displaced people are currently living, after severe droughts across the country.

Bihi used to be a nomad, moving from place to place with his herd. That is, until his cattle died from lack of water, leaving Bihi no choice but to move to Balilmatan. "When they all died, I came here," he said. Bihi continued, "We came here because we were hungry and we didn't have any food. Since I lost my livestock, the biggest struggle is food for my family."

We provided Bihi and his family with tarpaulins to help shelter them from the severe weather, and

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other essential items including water carriers and filters, mosquito nets, solar lights, and a kitchen set, enabling them to start rebuilding their lives.

When asked about the aid, he said, "There are different needs. One of them is shelter. See, the place we are living, we do not have a proper shelter. So this is very useful and it suits us."

In thanking ShelterBox, Bihi said, "We are very grateful for what we have received. Thank you for this."

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