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## **WFP News Video:**

### **El Nino Doubling Hunger Rates in southern Madagascar**

**Location: southern Madagascar**

**Shot: 1-5 Sep 2016**

**Language: English, Malagasy**

**TRT 3:01**

#### **Shotlist:**

**00:00-00:05**

**Beloha area**

**Aerial dry river,**

**Normally this river would have water at this time of year.**

**Shot: 1, Sep 2016**

**:05-:24**

**Beloha**

**Dry river**

**People digging in dry riverbed for water to drink, irrigate, wash and livestock. Ordinarily this river would have water in it at this time of year but El Nino has caused it to be dry.**

**Shot: 3, Sep 2016**

**:24-:42**

**Beloha**

**Dry agricultural field. Fiamina, 60 yrs old farmer, clears cactus from her field where ordinarily she would have some sorghum and corn. Her husband is too old to work. She says 3 of her 10 children died from hunger.**

**Shot: 3 Sep 2016**

**:42-1:13**

**Beloha**

**SOT Fiamina, farmer(Malagasy)**

**“We gather red cactus fruits and remove their spines but this causes diarrhea. All of our neighbors are also suffering like us. Usually we grow maize, pulses and cassava. If only it was raining, we would be happy.”**

**Shot: 3 Sep 2016**

**1:13-1:29**

**Ambovombe**

**Mari Angeline, 44 yr old farmer, picks and cleans cactus fruits, a survival food that many in southern Madagascar are eating to keep hunger at bay.**

**Shot: 2, Sep 2016**

**1:29-1:44**

**Ambovombe Market**

**Vendors and consumers told us that prices for staples like cassava and maize have almost doubled since this time last year.**

**Shot: 3, Sep 2016**

**1:44-1:50**

**Ambovombe**

**Market**

**Visibly malnourished child**

**Shot: 3, Sep 2016**

**1:50-2:10**

**Beloha**

**Nutrition testing**

**Malnutrition is rising particularly in southern Madagascar. In seven districts in the south, 574,000 people are in severe food insecurity- almost double from last year at the same time. Moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) levels have reached 14 percent in the most affected districts. WFP is providing supplementary feeding assistance to 70,000 children under five in order to prevent and treat moderate acute malnutrition.**

**Shot: 2, Sep 2016**

**2:10-2:19**

**Beloha**

**WFP Food distribution**

**WFP plans to assist 300,000 vulnerable people through food distributions plus 80,000 people using cash between September and December 2016. Due to insufficient funding, WFP will be unable to assist some 340,000 food insecure people.**

**Shot: 2, Sep, 2016**

**2:19-2:39**

**Antananarivo**

**SOT Fatimata Sow-Sidibe, WFP Dep. Country Director Madagascar (English)**

**“Even if we have contributions now, to bring foods to Madagascar due to the vessels which are not available, so it will take 5-6 months. Even if we will buy locally it will take 2-3 months. So, the challenge is now, how will we get food to the population?”**

**Shot: 5 Sep 2016**

**2:39-3:01**

**Beloha**

**Ranosesee says she is 56 yrs old. She prepares corn porridge provided by WFP for her and her 2 grandchildren. Her daughter is our collecting cactus fruits.**

**Shot: 2,Sep, 2016**

**ENDS**

**Madagascar is struggling with its third consecutive year of drought. This year the cause is also due to El Niño. WFP is concerned about the effects of a possible La Nina later this year which could cause flooding at the crucial planting time.**

**Seven districts in southern Madagascar are facing recurrent drought aggravated by the impact of El Niño. A September report by the Crop and Food Security Assessment Mission (CFSAM) indicates that 1.2 million people in the south are food insecure. The overall number of severely food insecure people in the seven most affected districts has increased by 67% percent since July 2015 from 391,000 to 603,000 people. 59% of the population of the 4 communes are severely food insecure.**

**In parts of southern Madagascar the June harvest was down 60-80% from June 2015.**

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**WFP provides daily hot meals for 250,000 primary school students in 11 priority districts in the south. Some US\$ 7.5 million in contributions are urgently required to guarantee meals for these children for the 2016/2017 school year.**

**As from September, WFP is providing supplementary feeding assistance to 70,000 children under five in order to prevent and treat moderate acute malnutrition. Some 20,000 households will receive protection rations in order to prevent the children's nutritional ration being shared among other family members.**

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