



## Brief Summary

This week (17-29 October 2025), callers to Radio Ergo’s audience feedback platform announcing rainfall and improving conditions in their areas outnumbered the calls about drought. Nevertheless, there were still a substantial number of calls from northern, central and some southern areas - notably Gedo region - complaining about the drought crisis and its ongoing toll on people, livestock, and farms. Additionally, a few callers reported river floods along the Shabelle and Dawa rivers. Callers celebrating rainfall and the revival of farms and grazing came mostly from central regions, with some from northern areas, as well as Hirshabelle, Bay region, and parts of Jubbaland. More than half the total number of callers were from women this week, who spoke largely on themes of the positive or detrimental weather conditions affecting their communities, as well as on IDP issues, and jobs.

**Note:** Radio Ergo’s long established call-in platform is free to call from anywhere in the country, and captures voice messages from listeners wanting to share with wider audiences about their living conditions, as well as those responding to thematic programmes they engage with on Radio Ergo's daily broadcasts. ‘Ergo’ in Somali means ‘envoys’ - and callers anticipate that their voices will be shared with a wider audience, including those responsible, or able, to respond to their needs and to act on the issues raised. Many also call to connect with experts participating in Radio Ergo’s livestock, farming, and other thematic interactive programmes.

The following summarises the calls to the platform this week by theme.

**Floods** – a female caller in Beletweyne, Hiran, said their house had collapsed due to river Shabelle flooding and they were appealing for help. A caller in Beledhawo, Gedo, said the river [Dawa] had flooded its banks and affected people’s farms and houses. He also called for assistance.

**IDPs** – a female caller in Adado identifying as among IDPs living in an IDP camp on the west side of the town, said the camp residents were facing water and food shortages and needed help. A caller in Warsheikh said he was among drought-hit and impoverished IDP families living there who needed help from aid organisations.

**Health** – a caller in Faka-jeh [probably in Galmudug?] stated that there was an outbreak of flu affecting people widely in the area. He wanted to know how they could deal with it. The rain had also begun there.

**Jobs** – unemployment is a common theme raised on this platform, as well as in Radio Ergo’s journalistic reports. A caller in Abudwak, Galgadud, said unemployment there was rampant. A female caller said she was educated, but hadn’t been able to get a job and needed help.

**Livestock** – a caller in Jariban, Mudug, said the deyr rainfall had started there so many pastoralists had migrated to the area. Sick livestock were freely mixing with other herds causing the spread of livestock diseases. He himself had migrated from Godobjiran and his livestock had fallen sick with disease. He added that people now gathered in Jariban were unable to return home with their livestock due to the drought back in their villages.

**Agriculture** – many callers contacted Radio Ego’s weekly farming programme sharing their problems with experts who give advice on the show. For example, a female caller in Middle Shabelle said she and other farmers were watering their crops, but they were still not growing well. She said they wanted some advice on what they could do to improve the situation.

**Rainfall** – rain arriving in parts of the country was the most popular theme among callers to Radio Ergo’s platform this week. In the north, a female caller in Biyo-Gadud, Sanag region, said the rain meant their farms were doing well and their livestock were also reproducing. The majority of rainfall callers came from parts of Galgadud region, including Abudwak, Adado, Guriel, Gelinsor, Dusamareb, Guriel, and Balanbale. A female caller in Abudwak said the vegetation for livestock fodder was starting to grow. Other female callers in Adado said the rainfall was heavy, and their farms and livestock were recovering. Some said they hoped the rainfall would continue and that those in areas still in drought would also get rain. Several callers in Hiran, including Beletweyne, Dagalo, and Ali-warabe, said the rainfall was improving conditions. Several callers in parts of Hirshabelle and Bay region noted beneficial rainfall. A caller in Baidoa said they had now planted, and another in Burhakaba said their sorghum crops were growing well.

**Drought** – in Somaliland, a caller in Lughaya, Awdal region, said they were facing severe drought, and water and animal fodder were scarce. He added that they had had little rainfall, and because of persistent drought they needed aid. A female caller in Hingalol, Sanag region, said they needed cash aid to cope with the impact of the severe drought. A caller in Lasanod, Sool, said they were facing severe drought and most people had migrated in search of water. Those left behind needed help from aid organisations. In Puntland, a caller said they had been displaced from Garowe, where he owned 120 goats that were affected badly by the drought. He didn’t say where he was displaced to, but said they were still facing water shortage. In Galgadud, two callers in Guriel said their livestock lacked water and fodder and they needed aid, indicating that rainfall was uneven across this region. Several callers in parts of Hirshabelle said they hadn’t yet had any rain and also wanted to get the weather forecasts. [Note that Radio Ergo broadcasts weather forecasts received from FAO-SWALIM, but listeners always ask for more frequent and more detailed information and analysis from experts]. A large number of callers in Bardera, Gedo region, and one in Beledhawo, stated that they were suffering from ongoing drought and water shortages and were praying for rain. One caller said their livestock were dying. Another mentioned the long-standing issue of the broken river bridge in Bardera that is still in need of repair.

Date	Location	Gender	Theme	Remarks
22/10/2025	Beledweyne Hiran	female	Floods	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is F.M.A in Beledweyne. Our house has collapsed due to floods, we need help. Thank you.
27/10/2025	Beledhawo Gedo	male	Floods	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is I. in Beledhawo. The river has flooded and has affected our farms and houses. We need help. Thank you.
17/10/2025	South Central	male	Floods	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is O.O. There are river floods in this area [location not specified], we would like to know how we can overcome this. Thank you.
24/10/2025	Dayah [?]	female	Health	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is S.A in Dayah neighborhood [location not specified]. There is an influx of mosquitoes and we would like to know how we can deal with them. Thank you.
24/10/2025	Faka-jeh (Galmudug?)	male	Health	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is D.M.A in Faka-jeh. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. There has been a flu outbreak in the area and I would like to know what we can do about it. Thank you.
24/10/2025	Adado Galgadud	female	IDPs	Hello Radio Ergo, I am calling from Adado. We are IDPs living in IDP camps on the west side of the town. We are facing water and food shortages here and we need help. Thank you.
23/10/2025	Warsheikh M.Shabelle	male	IDPs	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A. in Warsheikh. We are drought hit and impoverished IDP families. We need the aid organizations to help us. Thank you

19/10/2025	Abudwak Galgadud	male	Jobs	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A. in Abudwak. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. However, there is rampant unemployment in this area.
18/10/2025	South Central	female	Jobs	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is N.A.H. I am an educated women but I have not been able to get a job. I need help. Thank you.
18/10/2025	Qardo Bari	female	Livestock	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is M.F.H in Qardo. Our goats are sick, they have got sores on their bodies and they are coughing a lot. Thank you.
26/10/2025	Puntland	male	Livestock/ WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name M.M.A. I was displaced from Garowe where my livestock were facing drought. We are now concerned about parasites attacking our livestock.
17/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	male	Livestock	Hello Radio Ergo, I am calling from Bardera. We are doing well. Our camels have got running noses, I would like to know how we can treat them and which disease they have. Thank you.
29/10/2025	Jariban Mudug	male	Livestock	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A.A in Jariban, Mudug. We have got the Deyr rainfall, many pastoralists have migrated to this area. The sick livestock are freely mixing with the healthy ones making it easy for disease to spread. People cannot go back with their livestock due to the drought in their villages. I migrated from Godobjiran and my livestock are now sick.
21/10/2025	Dhusamareb Galgadud	male	Agriculture	Hello Radio Ergo, I am calling from Dhusamareb. I am a farmer growing cantaloupes, however they have been attacked by pests. We would like to know what we can do. Thank you.
21/10/2025	Guriel Galgadud	male	Agriculture	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is I. in Guriel. There are squirrels digging out our crops and destroying them. We would like to know how we can stop them. Thank you.
27/10/2025	Guriel Galgadud	male	Agriculture	Hello my name is M.L.A. in Guriel. I am a farmer growing tomatoes, however there are white substances on the tomatoes. We would like the expert to advise us. Thank you.
24/10/2025	Middle Shabelle	male	Agriculture	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is M.A.N in Middle Shabelle. I am farmer growing sesame and beans, there have been pests that keep attacking our produce. We would like to know how we can get rid of these pests. Thank you.
24/10/2025	Middle Shabelle	female	Agriculture	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is S.A in Middle Shabelle. We are farmers and although we are watering our crops they are not growing well. We would like to know what we can do. Thank you.
21/10/2025	Middle Shabelle	male	Agriculture	Hello Radio Ergo, I am calling from Middle Shabelle. We are farmers and our crops have been attacked by pests. We would like to know what we can do.
21/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	male	Agriculture	Hello Radio Ergo, I am calling from Bardera. My tomatoes are sick and they are not growing well. I would like to know the pesticides and practices we need so that we can improve our produce.

21/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	male	Agriculture	Hello Radio Ergo, I am a farmer in Bardera. Our crops are failing and we would like to know what we can use to spray them and what we can do.
23/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	male	Agriculture	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A.A in Bardera, Gedo. I am growing bananas but they are not growing well. I would like to know what I can do. Thank you.
24/10/2025	Gedo	male	Agriculture	Hello my name is A.A in Gedo. I am a farmer growing tomatoes, I have noticed white things on the crops and we would like to know what we can do.
23/10/2025	South Central	male	Agriculture	Hello my name is M. in San-qaloc. There are caterpillars eating our crops, they are now leaving any tree. Thank you.
23/10/2025	South Central	female	Agriculture	Hello Radio Ergo, F.A I am a farmer and whenever we plant our crops dry up and wither away. I would like to know what causes this.
24/10/2025	South Central	male	Agriculture	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A. We have got the rainfall, however there have been captepillars attacking our crops. We would like to know how we can stop them. Thank you.
21/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	male	Climate	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is M.J.A.S in Kismayo. There are strong winds blowing, but apart from that we are doing well. Thank you.
27/10/2025	Baligubadle Marodi-jeh	male	Rain	Hello my name is H. in Bali-gubadle. We have got heavy rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
19/10/2025	Biyo-Gadud Sanag	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is F.I.Y.H I am calling from Biyo-Gadud, Sanag. We have got the rainfall, our farms are doing well and our livestock have given birth. We thank God.
18/10/2025	Sanag	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, I am calling from Sanag region. I would like to inform you that we have got the rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
20/10/2025	Kalabeyr Sool	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is D. in Kalabeyr. We have got the rainfall and we are in bliss. Thank you.
28/10/2025	Karkar Bari	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A. in Karkar. We have got the rainfall and we are doing very well. We thank God.
27/10/2025	Rako-Raho Bari	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A. in Rako-Raho. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well, there is just a bit of cold but we are doing well. Thank you
17/10/2025	Abudwak Galgadud	female	Rain	Hello my name is R.A in Abudwak. We have got the rainfall in this area and we are doing well. Thank you.
20/10/2025	Abudwak Galgadud	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is S. in Abudwak. We have got rainfall and we are now starting to get vegetation. Thank you.

22/10/2025	Abudwak Galgadud	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is H.B in Abudwak. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. We thank God.
21/10/2025	Adado Galgadud	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is D. in Adado. We have got heavy rainfall today and we are doing well. Thank you.
22/10/2025	Adado Galgadud	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is N. in Adado, Galgadud. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. Our livestock and farms have recovered from the drought.
24/10/2025	Balanbale Galgadud	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is F. in Balanbale. We have got the Deyr rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
23/10/2025	Dusamareb Galgadud	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is F. in Dhusamareb. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
23/10/2025	Dusamareb Galgadud	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is H.A in Dhusamareb. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. We hope that other regions also get sufficient rain.
27/10/2025	Galgadud	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is F. in Galgadud. We have got the Deyr rain and we are doing well. Thank you.
17/10/2025	Gelinsor Galgadud	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is N. in Gelinsor. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. We thank God.
23/10/2025	Guriel Galgadud	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is M. in Guriel. We are doing well and we have got the rainfall. We thank God.
24/10/2025	Guriel Galgadud	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is S.O.H in Guriel. We have got rainfall and we are in bliss. We hope that we get more. Thank you.
18/10/2025	Dayano Galmudug	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A. in Dayano. We have got some rainfall today and we are doing well. Thank you.
18/10/2025	Ali-warabe Hiran	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, I am calling from Ali-Warabey. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
26/10/2025	Beledweyne Hiran	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is M. in Beledweyne. We have got the rainfall and we are in good health. Thank you for your services.
24/10/2025	Dagalo Hiran	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A. Dagalo, Hiran. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
22/10/2025	Hiran	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is O.A.D in Hiran region. We have been blessed with rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
16/10/2025	Mogadishu Banadir	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is I. in Mogadishu. We have got the rainfall and we are in bliss. We thank God.

17/10/2025	Mogadishu Banadir	female	Rain	Hello my name is I. in Mogadishu. We got the rainfall last night and we are doing well. We hope other regions also get the rain. Thank you.
21/10/2025	Mogadishu Banadir	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A.A.H in Mogadishu. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
24/10/2025	Jowhar M.Shabelle	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is H.A.S in Jowhar. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. We hope that other regions also get the rainfall. Thank you
17/10/2025	Raga-elle M.Shabelle	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is M. in Raga-elle, Middle Shabelle. We have got the rainfall and we hope other regions also get the rain.
17/10/2025	Wanlaweyn L.Shabelle	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A. in Wanlaweyn. We have got the rainfall and thank God.
23/10/2025	Lower Shabelle	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A.A in Lower Shabelle. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
18/10/2025	Baidoa Bay	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is M.Y.H in Baidoa. We have got rainfall and we have already planted our crops. Thank you.
23/10/2025	Burhakaba Bay	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A.I in Buurhabaka, Bay. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well, our sorghum plantations are growing well. We hope that we get more rain.
20/10/2025	Kismayo L.Juba	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is I.A in Kismayo. We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
20/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, I am calling from Bardera. We have got some good rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
26/10/2025	Luq Gedo	female	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, I am calling from Luuq. We have got rainfall and we are doing well. We thank God and we hope that we get more rain.
23/10/2025	South Central	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, we have got the rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you.
25/10/2025	South Central	male	Rain	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A. I would like to inform you that we have got rainfall. Our livestock have got water and water pans have been refilled. We thank God.
23/10/2025	South Central	male	Rain	Hello my name is M. in Qabadame [Ethiopia?] We have got the rainfall and we are doing well. Thank you
27/10/2025	Lughaya Awdal	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is M.A.H in Lughaya. We are facing severe drought, water and fodder remain scarce. The rainfall has been little and we are appealing for help. Thank you
28/10/2025	Hingalol Sanag	female	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is I. in Hingalol. We are facing severe drought in this area, we need cash aid. Thank you.

29/10/2025	Lasanod Sool	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo M.M in Lasanod, Sool. We are facing severe drought, the people have migrated in search of water. We need the aid organizations to help us. Thank you.
19/10/2025	Qardo Bari	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, I am a farmer in Qardo. We have been hit by drought and water shortages affecting our produce. Thank you.
26/10/2025	Puntland	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, we have been displaced from Garowe, I owned 120 goats but they have been hit by drought. We were displaced and we are still facing water shortage.
16/10/2025	Guriel Galgadud	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, I am calling from Guriel. We have not got the rainfall and we are facing drought. Our livestock don't have fodder or water. Thank you.
23/10/2025	Guriel Galgadud	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is F.A.M in Guriel. We are facing drought conditions and we have not seen aid organizations. Please share our message. Thank you.
21/10/2025	Balad M.Shabelle	female	WASH/ Weather	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is M. in Bal'ad. We have not got the rainfall yet, we would like to get the weather forecast. Thank you.
23/10/2025	Balad M.Shabelle	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is S.A in Bal'ad. We have not got the rainfall yet, there is drought in this area. Thank you.
23/10/2025	Wanlaweyn L.Shabelle	male	WASH/ Weather forecasts	Hello Radio Ergo, I am calling from Wanlaweyn. I would like to get the weather forecast updates. There are some areas that have got rainfall although we have not got it ourselves.
21/10/2025	Beledweyne Hiran	female	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A.A in Beledweyne. We are facing water shortage in this area. Thank you.
23/10/2025	Beledweyne Hiran	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is M.A in Beledweyne. We have not got the rainfall and the drought has been prolonged. We pray that we get rain.
22/10/2025	Burhakaba Bay	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A.O.M in Buurhabaka. We are facing severe drought and we pray that we get rainfall. Thank you.
23/10/2025	Baidoa Bay	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is M.H.A in Baidoa. We have not got the rainfall although there are signs of rain. We pray that we get good rainfall. thank you.
27/10/2025	Bay	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is H.A in Bay region. We have not got the rainfall, there is heat, drought and water shortages. Please share our message with the aid organizations. Thank you.
21/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	female	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is K.Y.I in Bardera. We pray that we get rainfall. Thank you.
22/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	female	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is F.M.A. in Bardera. We are facing drought in this area and we pray that we get rainfall soon. Thank you.

24/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	female	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is B. in Bardera. We have not got the rainfall, we pray that we get it soon. Also, we have lost the bridge and we want it to be reconstructed. Thank you
25/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is I. I am calling from Bardera, Gedo. We have not got rainfall and we are facing water shortage. We pray that we get rainfall soon. Thank you.
28/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A.B.M.A in Bardera. We have not got the rainfall and our livestock are dying. We pray that we get rainfall. Thank you.
23/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, My name is M.A, I am calling from Bardera. We pray that we get rainfall soon. Thank you.
28/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	female	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is N.D.B in Bardera. Thank you for your services, we have not got the rainfall and we pray that we get rainfall. There is water shortage in this area.
28/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	female	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is N.D.B in Bardera. We are facing drought conditions and we pray that we get the rainfall. Thank you.
24/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	female	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is N.A.A. in Bardera. We are facing drought and we pray that we get rainfall. Thank you.
21/10/2025	Bardera Gedo	female	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is F.A in Bardera. We are doing well here, we are expecting the rainfall. We pray that we get good rain. Thank you.
21/10/2025	Beledhawo Gedo	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is N.M.A in Beledhawo. We are doing well although there is drought and heat. We pray that we get rainfall. Thank you.
24/10/2025	South Central	male	WASH	Hello Radio Ergo, my name is A.M.A. We are facing water shortage and our goats are dying. We are appealing for help. Thank you.
25/10/2025	South Central	male	WASH/ Agriculture	Hello Radio Ergo, we have not got rainfall although we planted our crops a months and half ago. We are also concerned about aphids that are a menace to our produce.
23/10/2025	South Central	female	WASH	Hello my name is N.A. Our goats and livestock are dying of drought. We need humanitarian intervention. Thank you.