

**Table 1: IPC Reference Table**

Phase Classification		Key Reference Outcomes <i>Current or imminent outcomes on lives and livelihoods. Based on convergence of direct and indirect evidence rather than absolute thresholds. Not all indicators must be present for classification.</i>	Strategic Response Framework <i>Objectives:</i> <i>(1) mitigate immediate outcomes, (2) support livelihoods, and (3) address underlying causes</i>
1A	Generally Food Secure	<p><i>Crude Mortality Rate</i> &lt; 0.5 / 10,000 / day</p> <p><i>Acute Malnutrition</i> &lt;3 % (w/h &lt;-2 z-scores)</p> <p><i>Stunting</i> &lt;20% (h/age &lt;-2 z-scores)</p> <p><i>Food Access / Availability</i> usually adequate (&gt; 2,100 kcal ppp day), stable</p> <p><i>Dietary Diversity</i> consistent quality and quantity of diversity</p> <p><i>Water Access / Avail.</i> usually adequate (&gt; 15 litres ppp day), stable</p> <p><i>Hazards</i> moderate to low probability and vulnerability</p> <p><i>Civil Security</i> prevailing and structural peace</p> <p><i>Livelihood Assets</i> generally sustainable utilization (of 6 capitals)</p>	<p>Strategic assistance to pockets of food insecure groups</p> <p>Investment in food and economic production systems</p> <p>Enable development of livelihood systems based on principles of sustainability, justice, and equity</p> <p>Prevent emergence of structural hindrances to food security</p> <p>Advocacy</p>
1B	Generally Food Secure	<p><i>Crude Mortality Rate</i> &lt;0.5 / 10,000 / day; U5MR&lt;1 / 10,000 / day</p> <p><i>Acute Malnutrition</i> &gt;3% but &lt;10 % (w/h &lt;-2 z-score), usual range, stable</p> <p><i>Stunting</i> &gt;20% (h/age &lt;-2 z-scores)</p> <p><i>Food Access / Availability</i> borderline adequate (2,100 kcal ppp day); unstable</p> <p><i>Dietary Diversity</i> chronic dietary diversity deficit</p> <p><i>Water Access / Avail.</i> borderline adequate (15 litres ppp day); unstable</p> <p><i>Hazards</i> recurrent, with high livelihood vulnerability</p> <p><i>Civil Security</i> Unstable; disruptive tension</p> <p><i>Coping</i> "insurance strategies"</p> <p><i>Livelihood Assets</i> stressed and unsustainable utilization (of 6 capitals)</p> <p><i>Structural</i> Pronounced underlying hindrances to food security</p>	<p>Design &amp; implement strategies to increase stability, resistance and resilience of livelihood systems, thus reducing risk</p> <p>Provision of "safety nets" to high risk groups</p> <p>Interventions for optimal and sustainable use of livelihood assets</p> <p>Create contingency plan</p> <p>Redress structural hindrances to food security</p> <p>Close monitoring of relevant outcome and process indicators</p> <p>Advocacy</p>
2	Moderately / Borderline Food Insecure	<p><i>Crude Mortality Rate</i> 0.5-1 / 10,000 / day, U5MR 1-2 / 10,000 / dy</p> <p><i>Acute Malnutrition</i> 10-15 % (w/h &lt;-2 z-score), &gt; than usual, increasing</p> <p><i>Disease</i> epidemic; increasing</p> <p><i>Food Access / Availability</i> lack of entitlement; 2,100 kcal ppp day via asset stripping</p> <p><i>Dietary Diversity</i> acute dietary diversity deficit</p> <p><i>Water Access / Avail.</i> 7.5-15 litres ppp day, accessed via asset stripping</p> <p><i>Destitution / Displacement</i> emerging; diffuse</p> <p><i>Civil Security</i> limited spread, low intensity conflict</p> <p><i>Coping</i> "crisis strategies"; CSI &gt; than reference; increasing</p> <p><i>Livelihood Assets</i> accelerated and critical depletion or loss of access</p>	<p>Support livelihoods and protect vulnerable groups</p> <p>Strategic and complimentary interventions to immediately food access / availability AND support livelihoods</p> <p>Selected provision of complimentary sectoral support (e.g., water, shelter, sanitation, health, etc.)</p> <p>Strategic interventions at community to national levels to create, stabilize, rehabilitate, or protect priority livelihood assets</p> <p>Create or implement contingency plan</p> <p>Close monitoring of relevant outcome and process indicators</p> <p>Use "crisis as opportunity" to redress underlying structural causes</p> <p>Advocacy</p>
3	Acute Food and Livelihood Crisis	<p><i>Crude Mortality Rate</i> 1-2 / 10,000 / day, &gt;2x reference rate, increasing; U5MR &gt; 2 / 10,000 / day</p> <p><i>Acute Malnutrition</i> &gt;15 % (w/h &lt;-2 z-score), &gt; than usual, increasing</p> <p><i>Disease</i> Pandemic</p> <p><i>Food Access / Availability</i> severe entitlement gap; unable to meet 2,100 kcal ppp day</p> <p><i>Dietary Diversity</i> Regularly 3 or fewer main food groups consumed</p> <p><i>Water Access / Avail.</i> &lt; 7.5 litres ppp day (human usage only)</p> <p><i>Destitution / Displacement</i> concentrated; increasing</p> <p><i>Civil Security</i> widespread, high intensity conflict</p> <p><i>Coping</i> "distress strategies"; CSI significantly &gt; than reference</p> <p><i>Livelihood Assets</i> near complete &amp; irreversible depletion or loss of access</p>	<p>Urgent protection of vulnerable groups</p> <p>Urgently food access through complimentary interventions</p> <p>Selected provision of complimentary sectoral support (e.g., water, shelter, sanitation, health, etc.)</p> <p>Protection against complete livelihood asset loss and / or advocacy for access</p> <p>Close monitoring of relevant outcome and process indicators</p> <p>Use "crisis as opportunity" to redress underlying structural causes</p> <p>Advocacy</p>
4	Humanitarian Emergency	<p><i>Crude Mortality Rate</i> &gt; 2 / 10,000 / day (example: 6,000 / 1,000,000 / 30 days)</p> <p><i>Acute Malnutrition</i> &gt; 30 % (w/h &lt;-2 z-score)</p> <p><i>Disease</i> Pandemic</p> <p><i>Food Access / Availability</i> extreme entitlement gap; much below 2,100 kcal ppp day</p> <p><i>Water Access / Avail.</i> &lt; 4 litres ppp day (human usage only)</p> <p><i>Destitution / Displacement</i> large scale, concentrated</p> <p><i>Civil Security</i> widespread, high intensity conflict</p> <p><i>Livelihood Assets</i> effectively complete loss; collapse</p>	<p>Critically urgent protection of human lives and vulnerable groups</p> <p>Comprehensive assistance with basic needs (e.g. food, water, shelter, sanitation, health, etc.)</p> <p>Immediate policy / legal revisions where necessary</p> <p>Negotiations with varied political-economic interests</p> <p>Use "crisis as opportunity" to redress underlying structural causes</p> <p>Advocacy</p>
5	Famine / Humanitarian Catastrophe	<p><i>Crude Mortality Rate</i> &gt; 2 / 10,000 / day (example: 6,000 / 1,000,000 / 30 days)</p> <p><i>Acute Malnutrition</i> &gt; 30 % (w/h &lt;-2 z-score)</p> <p><i>Disease</i> Pandemic</p> <p><i>Food Access / Availability</i> extreme entitlement gap; much below 2,100 kcal ppp day</p> <p><i>Water Access / Avail.</i> &lt; 4 litres ppp day (human usage only)</p> <p><i>Destitution / Displacement</i> large scale, concentrated</p> <p><i>Civil Security</i> widespread, high intensity conflict</p> <p><i>Livelihood Assets</i> effectively complete loss; collapse</p>	<p>Critically urgent protection of human lives and vulnerable groups</p> <p>Comprehensive assistance with basic needs (e.g. food, water, shelter, sanitation, health, etc.)</p> <p>Immediate policy / legal revisions where necessary</p> <p>Negotiations with varied political-economic interests</p> <p>Use "crisis as opportunity" to redress underlying structural causes</p> <p>Advocacy</p>

Risk of Worsening Phase	Probability / Likelihood	Severity	Reference Process Indicators	Implications for Action
Watch	As yet unclear	Not applicable	Occurrence of, or predicted <i>Hazard</i> event stressing livelihoods; with low or uncertain <i>Vulnerability</i> <b>Process Indicators:</b> small negative changes	Close monitoring and analysis Review current Phase interventions
Moderate Risk	Elevated probability / likelihood	Specified by predicted Phase, and indicated by color of diagonal lines on map.	Occurrence of, or predicted <i>Hazard</i> event stressing livelihoods; with moderate <i>Vulnerability</i> <b>Process Indicators:</b> large negative changes	Close monitoring and analysis Contingency planning Step-up current Phase interventions
High Risk	High probability; "more likely than not"		Occurrence of, or strongly predicted major <i>Hazard</i> event stressing livelihoods; with high <i>Vulnerability</i> and low <i>Capacity</i> <b>Process Indicators:</b> large and compounding negative changes	Preventative interventions with increased urgency for High Risk populations Advocacy