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| ***SITUATION (max. 1/4 of a page long)*** |
| Click here to enter text. Example sentences:Related to drought* XXXX country/region is experiencing the most severe drought in xxx years
* XXXX country/region is in a state of emergency as the drought is threatening agricultural production, etc.
* Many communities are experiencing the effects of the drought… farmers losing crops and water supplies drying out…

Related to rain / water supply* pushing back the start of the rainy season
* drought has driven water levels to historic lows
* is predicted to decrease rains by more than XX% during the rainy season
* drought has driven water levels to historic lows
* communities depend on local reservoirs and aquifers which are not being replenished due to the drought

Related to food security* XXXX country/region is facing unprecedented levels of food insecurity
* The rising costs of goods is exacerbating food insecurity
* contributing to a crop deficit
* marked by alarming levels of hunger
* the rate of severe food insecurity has now reached XX percent
* Child malnutrition is a key concern

*Delete the above example sentences prior to sending Alert.*Relevant glossary terms: climate, climate change, water shortage, desertification, precipitation, reservoir, basin, run-off, watershed, early warning system, hydrological cycle, dry spell, warm spell, erosion, irrigation, scarcity, lack of. *Delete the above words prior to sending Alert.* |
| ***NEEDS (max. 1/4 of a page long)*** |
| Click here to enter text.Example sentences:* the agricultural sector has been impacted by drought
* food security concerns remain after repeated interruptions to crop cultivation
* communities remain in urgent need of food assistance
* affected persons will continue to face difficulty in meeting daily food needs
* Opening centres for the treatment of severe acute malnutrition (SAM)

Sectors* Food security
* Water, sanitation and hygiene
* Nutrition
* Livelihoods (agriculture)

The dire situation is further compounded for the drought affected people with vulnerabilities.; (optional) more specifically for Choose an item.Click here to enter text.. There is a pressing necessity to provide immediate assistance to minimize loss of life and to ensure that the needs of the most vulnerable are covered first.  |
| ***STAKEHOLDERS (max. 1/4 of a page long)*** |
| The following national and international entities are present and doing their best to respond to the crisis:

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|[ ]  National government | Click here to enter text. |
|[ ]  UN Agencies | Click here to enter text. |
|[ ]  INGOs | Click here to enter text. |
|[ ]  Red Cross Red Crescent Movement | Click here to enter text. |
|[ ]  Military presence | Click here to enter text. |
|[ ]  National NGOs | Click here to enter text. |
|[ ]  Civil society groups | Click here to enter text. |
|[ ]  Faith based groups | Click here to enter text. |
|[ ]  Philanthropy groups | Click here to enter text. |
|[ ]  Host communities | Click here to enter text. |
|[ ]  Affected communities | Click here to enter text. |

The emergency response is currently being coordinated by Click here to enter text.. To ensure that the humanitarian response is well coordinated and complementary, the ACT forum will take part in meetings with all relevant sector stakeholders (Click here to enter text.) and establish an open line of communication with crisis affected persons and communities to ensure a humanitarian response based on participation and feedback. |
| ***ACT Alliance (max. 1/4 of a page long)*** |
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|[ ]  ACT Alliance has been working in Click here to enter text. since Click here to enter text., now helping/planning to help people affected by the drought |
|[ ]  ACT Alliance works in areas affected by the drought, and is assessing the impact of the disaster to better understand the needs and vulnerabilities |
|[ ]  ACT Alliance is currently monitoring the situation and is preparing a rapid needs assessment to have an in-depth context analysis and better understanding of existing vulnerabilities. |
|[ ]  ACT Alliance is monitoring the situation and emergency teams are ready/preparing to respond according to the results of a contextual analysis and rapid needs assessment.  |
|[ ]  In collaboration with relevant stakeholders, the ACT forum has identified a gap in Click here to enter text. and has resolved that if funded, it will have the capacity to properly bridge the identified gap.  |
|[ ]  The ACT forum is planning on submitting a funding proposal to provide Click here to enter text. to ensure that the drought affected persons’ basic needs are met with regards to Click here to enter text..  |
|[ ]  ACT Alliance is ready to respond, providing Click here to enter text. to Click here to enter text. Choose an item. in the coming Choose an item.. |
|[ ]  Furthermore, ACT Alliance will engage in advocacy on the national and international level to ensure that the voices of those affected by the drought are amplified.  |

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**Any funding indication or pledge should be communicated to the Head of Finance and Administration,**

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