FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND PROJECT PERFORMANCE
IN SELECTED HUMANITARIAN AGENCIES IN BOSASO
DISTRICT PUNTLAND SOMALIA.

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ABSTRACT

This study was undertaken to carry out an investigation on financial accountability and project performance of humanitarian agencies of Bosaso, Puntland, Somalia. The objectives of the study were 1) to assess the financial accountability of the agencies in Bosaso, Puntland, Somalia, 2) to examine the performance of the projects of humanitarian organizations in Bosaso, Puntland, Somalia and 3) to establish the relationship between financial accountability and project performance of humanitarian organizations in Bosaso, Puntland, Somalia. The study employed descriptive correlation study design. From the target population of 149, a sample size of 109 was selected by using Slovene's formula. The researcher used structured questionnaires which were based on simple and understandable questions. The data analysis in this study was done with the help of Statistical Package for Social Sciences software package version 16. This package helped in the establishment of the findings through frequencies and percentages, means, ranks, interpretation of means, correlations and regression.

According to the first objective which was to assess financial accountability, it was found to be at high levels. These levels were however observed not to be high enough. The second objective was to examine project performance of the humanitarian aid in Bosaso district puntland Somalia and it was found to be at high levels but just like the other construct variables it showed some room for improvement. The third objective was to establish a relationship between financial accountability and project performance and it was found out that there is a significant positive relationship between financial accountability and project performance. On the Pearson correlation scale this relationship measured at 0.674 which is interpreted as a fairly strong and positive relationship.

The study highlighted the role played by financial accountability in promoting the project performance of the humanitarian organizations in Bosaso, Puntland, Somalia, was found that it needs an immediate address in order to ensure a better accountability and performance from the projects. It is recommended by the study that there be proper bookkeeping, comprehensive internal audit, regular external audit and adherence to internal accounting sunders.