Food Assistance Needs in 2017 are Unprecedented

*Based on IPC-compatible phase classifications of Phase 3 or higher. More info at www.fews.net/IPC

Across 45 countries, some 70 million people will require emergency food assistance, 40% more than in 2015.

Famine threatens 4 countries

- **NIGERIA**: Famine may have occurred in 2016 in Borno State; could be ongoing in areas inaccessible to aid workers.
- **YEMEN**: 7 to 10 million people urgently need food assistance; famine possible in worst-case scenario amidst heavy conflict and deteriorating macroeconomic situation.
- **SOUTH SUDAN**: Conflict, restricted access, and extremely high food prices contribute to famine risk in 2017.
- **SOMALIA**: Failure of the Deyr rains and poor spring forecast threaten a repeat of 2011, when famine led to 260,000 deaths.

To save lives, governments and the international community must ramp up efforts to resolve conflict, ensure humanitarian access and make more resources available for emergency response.

Estimates are for Fiscal Year 2017 (October-September). Detailed reports at: www.fews.net