

ROLE OF GATEKEEPERS IN SOMALIA

The IDP Business Model

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WHO ARE GATEKEEPERS?

Anyone manipulating aid and preventing it from reaching its intended recipients. Gatekeepers also encourage IDPs and others to manipulate data & information but are not engaged by humanitarian actors in a meaningful way.



THE IDP BUSINESS MODEL

Up-front investments by 'camp owners' expecting a return, especially in areas like Mogadishu & Baidoa with large aid influxes & a shortage/privatization of land. The camp owner:



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GUIDANCE

Improve accountability



Strengthen governance

- ASK QUESTIONS:** Who are the gatekeepers? How much do they take? How can you engage?
- REVIEW YOUR INFORMATION SYSTEMS** to ensure they capture the reality of life and arrangements in IDP camps.
- DISCUSS** the problem and context in your organization. Who understands the camps and can engage with stakeholders?
- LAND IS KEY!** Consult experts on urban land access and tenure.
- WORK WITH OTHER STAKEHOLDERS** to improve accountability and humanitarian governance.