

Punt. Sustainable Agrilivestock Network

Annual Impact Report

2025

Leading a national youth climate process across Somalia

Garowe & Mogadishu, Somalia

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This report covers PUSAN's work from January to December 2025. Figures come from PUSAN and LCOY Somalia event reports, attendance records and published outputs.

Message from the Executive Director

In 2025, PUSAN took on its biggest responsibility yet. I served as the national Contact Point for the Local Conference of Youth (LCOY) Somalia, coordinating six youth-led organisations and working with government, UN agencies and partners from February to November.

We wanted this LCOY to reach young people far beyond Mogadishu. Over 1,200 young people joined our national webinars. More than 400 took part in person in Baidoa, Jowhar, Garowe and Mogadishu. Half of our organisers and participants were women, and members of the Deaf community showcased sign language at the national conference.

With the support of UNICEF Somalia, FAO Somalia, the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change and the Ministry of Youth and Sports, young people turned their ideas into the 2025 National Youth Statement on Climate Change, a youth policy paper on agrifood systems and a Puntland Youth Climate Statement. The National Youth Statement was validated on 4 November and became Somalia's youth contribution to COY20 and COP30.

We also carried Somali voices to the UN Ocean Conference, FfD4, the YEFFA Forum in Kigali and the Africa Climate Summit, and began a disaster risk assessment with communities in Jariiban.

I thank every volunteer, partner and young person who made 2025 possible. Our promise stays the same: local solutions for a climate-resilient Somalia.

> "When young people are given the opportunity and support, they contribute meaningfully to national and global climate discussions."
>
> LCOY Somalia 2025



National Youth Statement validation workshop, Mogadishu, 4 November 2025

Abdirabi Mohamed
Executive Director, PUSAN

Executive Summary

In 2025, Punt. Sustainable Agrilivestock Network (PUSAN) moved from co-host to national lead of Somalia's youth climate process, while growing its community and global work.

Youth climate leadership. As national Contact Point, PUSAN coordinated LCOY Somalia 2025 with five other youth-led organisations. The process included two national webinars that reached over 1,200 young people, pre-LCOYs in Baidoa and Jowhar on 1 October, a Sub-National LCOY in Garowe on 6 October, and the National LCOY in Mogadishu on 22–23 October with more than 200 delegates.

Partnerships. UNICEF Somalia was the principal donor and FAO Somalia provided financial and technical support. The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, the Ministry of Youth and Sports and more than 25 partner institutions took part.

Policy influence. Young people produced three policy documents: the Somali National Youth Statement on Climate Change 2025, validated on 4 November and submitted to COY20 and COP30; a youth policy paper on agrifood systems and climate resilience; and a Puntland Youth Climate Statement.

Global engagement. PUSAN took part in the UN Ocean Conference in Nice, was UN-accredited to FfD4 in Sevilla, represented Somali civil society at the YEFFA Forum in Kigali, and spoke at the Africa Climate Summit in Addis Ababa.

Community resilience. In September 2025, PUSAN began a community-based disaster risk assessment in Jariiban District with KAALO Aid & Development and local organisations.

Looking ahead. In 2026, PUSAN will deliver LCOY Somalia 2026, launch the Somali Youth Water Ambassadors programme and strengthen its governance and multi-year funding.



Delegates at the National LCOY Somalia 2025, Mogadishu

Who We Are

Punt. Sustainable Agrilivestock Network (PUSAN) is a youth-led, non-profit organisation founded in 2023 in Garowe, Puntland. We work with pastoral and agro-pastoral communities to restore land, adapt to climate change and build livelihoods that last, and we make sure young Somalis are heard where climate decisions are made.

Our head office is on Bulsho Road in Garowe, with a second office in Mogadishu. PUSAN is registered with the Ministry of Interior of the Federal Government of Somalia and with the Puntland Ministry of Planning (MoPEDIC), and is a member of the PELUM Association.



LCOY Somalia organisers at the Sub-National LCOY, Garowe, 2025

Our Mission

To empower pastoral and agro-pastoral communities in Somalia through ecosystem restoration, climate-smart agriculture and sustainable livelihood development, building long-term resilience against climate shocks and environmental degradation.

Our Vision

A resilient, food-secure Somalia where communities thrive in harmony with their natural environment, and where youth-led innovation drives sustainable agriculture, healthy ecosystems and climate-adaptive livelihoods.

Our focus areas

Land & rangeland restoration
FMNR, ecological rehabilitation and rangeland governance

Climate-smart agriculture & livestock
Fodder, dairy value chains and agroecology

Early warning & disaster risk
Community risk assessments and early action

Youth climate leadership
LCOY Somalia and national youth statements

2025 at a Glance

1,200+
Young people reached through two national webinars

420+
Youth in in-person consultations and conferences

4
Cities: Baidoa, Jowhar, Garowe and Mogadishu

50%
Of organisers and participants were women

50+
Volunteers supported the LCOY process

3
Youth climate policy documents produced

4
Global and regional forums attended

25+
Partner institutions engaged

The year in brief

Feb 2025	LCOY Somalia 2025 planning begins
Apr–May 2025	Engagement with federal ministries, UN agencies and partners
Jun 2025	"Road to LCOY Somalia 2025" webinar (19 June); UN Ocean Conference, Nice
Jul 2025	LCOY information webinar; FfD4, Sevilla; YEFFA Forum, Kigali
Sep 2025	Africa Climate Summit, Addis Ababa; Jariiban risk assessment begins
1 Oct 2025	Pre-LCOYs in Baidoa and Jowhar
6 Oct 2025	Sub-National LCOY Puntland, Garowe
22–23 Oct 2025	National LCOY Somalia, Mogadishu
4 Nov 2025	National Youth Statement 2025 validated

Flagship: LCOY Somalia 2025



February – November 2025 · Baidoa, Jowhar, Garowe, Mogadishu

A national youth process, led by PUSAN as Contact Point

In 2025, PUSAN's Executive Director served as the national Contact Point for LCOY Somalia, coordinating six youth-led organisations: Alliance for Climate and Peace, CRAN, EcoClimate Vision Somalia, Horn Climate Resilience, PUSAN and the Somali Girls Hope Association. Three were male-led and three female-led.

Planning began in February 2025 with consultations with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation and the Ministry of Youth and Sports. UNICEF Somalia became the principal donor, FAO Somalia provided financial and technical support, and GREDO supported youth mobilisation in South West State.

The process was built in stages, so that youth from every region could shape the result: national webinars, regional pre-LCOYs, a sub-national LCOY in Puntland, the national conference in Mogadishu, and a final validation of the National Youth Statement.

Eight themes guided the discussions: youth in climate policy (NDC 3.0, NAP), rural livelihoods, climate justice and peacebuilding, climate finance and green innovation, displacement and loss and damage, biodiversity, water security, and climate and health.



National LCOY Somalia 2025



Young women delegates, LCOY Somalia 2025



Panel discussion, Mogadishu

Reaching youth in every region

1,200+
youth in two national webinars

100
youth at pre-LCOYs (50% women)

120
youth at Sub-National LCOY Garowe

200+
delegates in Mogadishu

50+
volunteers

National webinars, June and July 2025

"Road to LCOY Somalia 2025" on 19 June drew more than 500 participants, and an information session in July drew over 700. Young people learned about the LCOY process, the conference themes and how to apply as delegates.

Pre-LCOYs in Baidoa and Jowhar, 1 October 2025

One-day consultations in South West State and Hirshabelle State each brought together 50 young people, 25 women and 25 men. They were opened by the Directors General of the state ministries of environment and climate change. For many in Baidoa, it was the first LCOY event ever held in their city.



Pre-LCOY, Baidoa, South West State



Pre-LCOY, Jowhar, Hirshabelle State

Inclusion by design

- Equal numbers of young women and men at the regional consultations
- Youth from rural, pastoral and displaced communities, students and young professionals
- Applications reviewed by a committee and approved with UNICEF Somalia for fairness and transparency

Sub-National LCOY Puntland · Garowe, 6 October 2025

120	70 / 50	4	7	1
young people	men / women	Puntland ministries	thematic youth groups	Puntland Youth Climate Statement

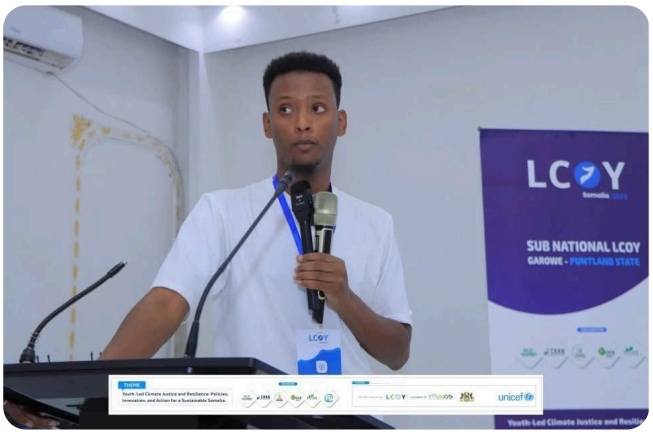
PUSAN hosted the Sub-National LCOY in Garowe, bringing together 120 young people with four Puntland ministries, UN agencies, international partners and local NGOs. The Puntland Minister of Environment and Climate Change, Mohamed Abdirahman Faroole, opened the conference.

Mohamed Isse, Director of Climate Change at the Puntland ministry, presented the region's growing risks, from droughts and floods to cyclones and land degradation, and the ministry's work on the State Adaptation Plan and Drought Management Strategy.

In a storytelling session, Biikoon Environment and Climate, Puntland Disability Network, UNICEF Youth Climate Change Champions and Green Hope shared their work, including plastic recycling and disability inclusion. Youth discussions in seven thematic groups produced a **Puntland Youth Climate Statement**.



Panel on youth-led green innovation for rural livelihoods



Youth storytelling session, Garowe



Participants of the Sub-National LCOY Puntland, Garowe

National LCOY Somalia · Mogadishu, 22–23 October 2025







More than 200 youth delegates met in Mogadishu for two days. PUSAN's Executive Director opened the conference as Contact Point. Speakers included Hawa Sabrie, Education Specialist at UNICEF Somalia; Aweys Ahmed Sardheye, Senior Youth Development Advisor at the Office of the Prime Minister, who challenged youth to plant at least 1,000 trees before LCOY 2026; and Ahmed Farole, Head of Youth, Children and Gender Affairs at the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change.

Panels covered youth-led green innovation for rural livelihoods; climate justice, peace and security amid displacement, with GREDO, IOM Somalia and the Somali National Youth Council; and youth voices from the field. The Somalia Women in Agriculture Association led a showcase on women and youth in agrifood systems. On day two, delegates drafted the National Youth Statement in thematic groups.

On 4 November 2025, at a validation workshop at Peace Hotel in Mogadishu, youth leaders, government, UN agencies and partners reviewed and endorsed the **Somali National Youth Statement on Climate Change 2025**, the official youth contribution to COY20 and COP30.

The organising team invested around 1,700 hours from February to November 2025. Members of the Deaf community took part and showcased sign language, and 50% of organisers and participants were women.



Panel discussion, National LCOY Somalia 2025



Women and youth agrifood showcase

Youth Policy and Knowledge Products

A central aim of our work is to turn youth voices into documents that decision makers can use. In 2025, PUSAN co-produced the following:

2025 — **Somali National Youth Statement on Climate Change**
Validated on 4 November 2025 with youth from all Federal Member States; submitted to COY20 and COP30.

2025 — **Somali Youth on Agri-Food Systems and Climate Resilience**
A youth policy paper on climate-smart agriculture, water management and food security.

2025 — **Puntland Youth Climate Statement**
Priorities of 120 young people from the Sub-National LCOY in Garowe.

2025 — **LCOY Somalia 2025 Report**
A full account of the 2025 process, results and lessons for future LCOYs.



National Youth Statement validation workshop, Mogadishu, 4 November 2025

Why it matters

- The statements give the Federal Government and Federal Member States a clear list of youth priorities for NDC 3.0, the National Adaptation Plan and climate finance.
- Through YOUNGO, Somali priorities feed into the Global Youth Statement at each COP.
- All public documents are available at punsan.org/publications.

PUSAN on the Global Stage

Global platforms matter for Somalia because decisions on climate finance, land, food and water are made there. In 2025, PUSAN carried the experience of Somali communities and youth to the following forums:

UN Ocean Conference

Nice, France · June 2025

PUSAN took part in the third UN Ocean Conference, bringing the perspective of Somalia's coastal communities.

FfD4

Sevilla, Spain · 2025

PUSAN was UN-accredited to the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development.

YEFFA Forum

Kigali, Rwanda · 17–18 July 2025

PUSAN represented Somali civil society among 45 East African youth changemakers and helped shape the East African Youth Statement on Sustainable Food. Organised by AGRA and the Mastercard Foundation.

Africa Climate Summit

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia · September 2025

PUSAN's Executive Director spoke at the second Africa Climate Summit.



Speaking at the Africa Climate Summit 2025, Addis Ababa



YEFFA Forum, Kigali, July 2025



With fellow innovators at the Africa Climate Summit 2025

From global to local

- We bring back what we learn: from YEFFA to our agrifood work, and from FfD4 to our fundraising strategy.
- We make sure that what Somali youth say at home is heard abroad, through YOUNGO, YALI and regional youth networks.

"Young people are not only participants but leaders in climate action."

LCOY Somalia 2025

Partnerships and Networks

Everything in this report was achieved together. We thank the government institutions, UN agencies, donors and fellow youth organisations who worked with us in 2025.

UNICEF Somalia · FAO Somalia · YOUNGO · Ministry of Environment and Climate Change · Ministry of Youth and Sports · Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation · Puntland Ministry of Environment and Climate Change · GREDO · Alliance for Climate and Peace · CRAN · EcoClimate Vision Somalia · Horn Climate Resilience · Somali Girls Hope Association · KAALO Aid & Development · Candid Foundation · AGRA · Mastercard Foundation · PELUM Association

Community resilience: Jariiban District

In September 2025, PUSAN began a community-based disaster risk assessment in Jariiban District, Mudug Region, with KAALO Aid & Development and other local organisations. Using the ARCD toolkit and participatory resource mapping, the work focuses on how sand dune expansion and soil erosion are burying homes, wells and roads in Garacad, Kulub and Dinowdo. The findings, published in 2026, give communities and partners evidence to plan dune stabilisation, water and livelihood support.

BeeRISE, our beekeeping and ecosystem conservation project with the Candid Foundation, continued through 2025.



Youth panel, LCOY Somalia 2025

Lessons Learned and Looking Ahead

What worked

- A coalition of six youth organisations, gender-balanced in leadership, with signed agreements
- Early engagement with federal and state ministries, which built trust and ownership
- Regional consultations that brought in youth from outside Mogadishu
- Strong partnership with UNICEF Somalia and FAO Somalia

What we will improve

- A year-round funding strategy, so we can plan beyond single events
- Stronger governance and finance systems that meet donor standards
- Follow-up after each conference, so youth demands become projects
- Better tracking of results across years

Our priorities for 2026

Deliver LCOY Somalia 2026
A third national conference and youth statement for COP31

Youth Water Ambassadors
Preparing young Somalis for the 2026 UN Water Conference

Stronger institution
Board-approved policies, audits and multi-year partnerships

From statements to action
Community projects on water, agrifood and land restoration



Youth discussion, LCOY Somalia 2025

Photo Gallery



























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