

# The Jubaland and South West State quagmire: The Next Crisis and the Way Forward

**R**egional leaders and states that are members of the Federal government have been at odds for a long time, and one of the factors that contributes to this conflict is elections held at the regional level; historically, this has ignited a tremendous crisis and led to the spilling of blood. There will be a lot of elections in the years or months to come, notably in Puntland and Jubaland, which are known for having elections that are notoriously complex and convoluted.

Abdiaziz Hassan Mohamed, a close associate of the President, is a leader who is subject to a great deal of criticism and against whom many people are working to remove him from office; his appointment as the immediate President was initially surrounded by a great deal of dispute. For South west, Abdiaziz Hassan Mohamed is a leader who faces a great deal of criticism and against whom many are working to remove him from office.

Now the situation is precarious, and there is yet another controversy surrounding when his term will expire. Politicians and elite from the region are advocating that it will expire in December, while his administration is claiming an additional year because the constitution was amended, and his term is five years long.

Mogadishu has lately seen the establishment of a new political alliance that goes by the name South West Rescue Council. It is made up of previous heads of state, former parliamentarians, current politicians, and younger politicians. This council has a deep antipathy for South West Administration President Abdasis Lafta Gareen, the legitimacy of whose current tenure in office is in question. This situation has the potential to



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escalate, and the only way to settle it is via communication; during the elections held in the state of South West in the past, violence claimed the lives of many people, and it is imperative that this situation not be allowed to grow.

It has been claimed that a number of people have been slain in southern Somalia as a result of the violence that broke out after the arrest of a former al-Shabab leader who was planning to run for regional elections. According to information cited by the BBC, at least eleven persons, including both military personnel and civilians, were killed in

fighting involving supporters of Mukhtar Robow in Baidoa. According to Baidoa elder Saleh Isak, who spoke to the Reuters news agency, one of those slain in the demonstrations was a member of the provincial parliament.

It is important to consider inclusion by involving negotiations with all of the people. The federal government, rather than rejecting the elections, should set a discussion table for Jubaland leaders. Another impending crisis is the elections in Jubaland. The Jubaland dynamic is needs to be taken care of one issue that caused civil war in Somalia. The Jubaland dynamic is needs to be taken care of one issue that caused civil war in Somalia. Few Somalis have ever taken part in a direct election during their lives, despite the fact that the Federal Government of Somalia (FGS) is making concerted efforts to build political institutions and mechanisms that are more welcoming to all Somalis.

In the most recent elections, for example, the FGS proclaimed that Ahmed Madobe has self-appointed said he is ready for a negotiation and to fix all the concerns. Other self-declared presidents are also open for resolutions. However, the dialogue offer may not be open constantly, and it may soon be conflicts, which is the last thing that Somalia needs.

It should be noted that this is individuals interests at play, and therefore turning the various Somali clans living in Jubaland or in south west will have a drastic effect on the peace-loving people of Somalia. One of the issues that the Somalis should be worried about is the addition of foreign entities into the affairs of Somalia. There was talk that regional proxies had different preferred candidates. This factor should also never be turned into clan and section dominance against the other.