



Suspicion of irregularities in relation to CARE Denmark's local partner in Syria

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Reference is made to the previous report dated 27 October 2025 regarding suspicions of irregularities on a grant to CARE Syria. CARE Denmark supports a project in Syria through their local partner, CARE Syria, and the total support to the project by CARE Denmark is DKK 5 million, of which DKK 4,459,156 has been disbursed to CARE Syria.

CARE Syria launched an internal investigation audit into the matter, which was conducted remotely by CARE's Audit and Compliance Unit. The investigation included collecting comprehensive details on the reported incidents, conducting several interviews with relevant staffs and cross-reference the lists submitted to verify the rationale behind the removal of previously validated beneficiaries, and assessing the eligibility of those newly added. Moreover, an independent review of the beneficiary registration, verification, and selection procedures in the concerned location was performed.

Based on the investigation, the conclusion was that all the allegations were not substantiated, and the case has been closed. However, a recommendation was sent to CARE Programme Unit to strengthen documentation and oversight by formalizing agreements and develop standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), ensure transparent mobilization and community selection processes aligned with best practices. This recommendation has been implemented.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs thus regards the case as closed without loss of Danish funds.