The series of earthquakes that struck Syria and Turkey on February 6 and 7 caused widespread damage of buildings and associated displacement. For detailed information: please visit Here.

EQ Needs
- **Damage Assessment Framework**: At the onset of the emergency, and based on secondary data, such as EQ intensity across affected areas, shelter type (from 2023 MSNA), and perceived reaction to seismic activity, the shelter sector estimated approximately 425K people to be in need of emergency shelter assistance.
- **Rapid Structural Assessment**: The shelter sector heavily supported authorities and the Syndicate of Engineers in the development and roll out of a rapid structural assessment to determine building level damage categorization.
- **SYNAT**: The Syria Need Assessment Tool was developed and rolled out by inter-sector coordination group to (primarily) determine the needs of those displaced to hosting arrangements.
- **Flash Appeal**: The FA was launched at WoS level, with SNFI sector estimated emergency needs of USD 65million.

EQ Response
- **EQ SNFI Strategy**: Within the first week of the event, a dedicated earthquake specific SNFI strategy was developed through a consultative process and shared with partners and MoLAE. New response activities were introduced and categorized under three objectives of emergency, protection, and long-term emerged needs. Cash modalities for repair and rent and for mid-term shelter were included in the strategy.
- **Technical Guidelines**: Dedicated TWiGs were formed to develop standards for the new activities and to revise and update the existing technical guidelines to fit the EQ response.
- **Resource Mobilization**: 4 funding resources were mobilized directly after the EQ, and they are: top-up previous SHF, new SHF reserve allocation (entirely dedicated to shelter assessment and response), and two CERF allocations.
- **HRP revision**: ISC group led by OCHA is discussing the best way to reflect the EQ emergency in the 2023 HRP.

Regular RESPONSE
- **NES – Alternatives to Tents**: A multi-functional Team conducted a field visit to NES camps and further explored the feasibility of proposed alternative options to tents. Further meetings and discussions to be held at HCT area level, NES forum, and with GSC.

GAPS / CHALLENGES
- Limited access to the EQ damage assessment carried out by GoS affects the shelter response planning.
Syria HCT Response Area - Shelter Sector

Quarter 1 2023

55,861
Individuals reached

13
Implementing Partner

Indicators

- Individuals reached
- HRP Individuals targeted

Project implementation status

- 1. Planned
- 2. Tendering
- 3. Ongoing
- 4. Completed

Sector Objective per individuals reached

Sector Objective: Reinforce an enabling protection environment and community cohesion by improving housing and related community/public infrastructure

Individuals reached per Activity

- Rehabilitation of community infrastructure: 34,300
- Installation of new/replacement of existing tents: 20,455
- Rehabilitation of damaged or unfinished housing: 1,005
- Capacity building of partner staff to undertake shelter activities in accordance with sector strategies: 21

Individuals reached per Organization

- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR): 54,776
- ONG Rescate (RESCATE): 875
- Danish Refugee Council (DRC): 210