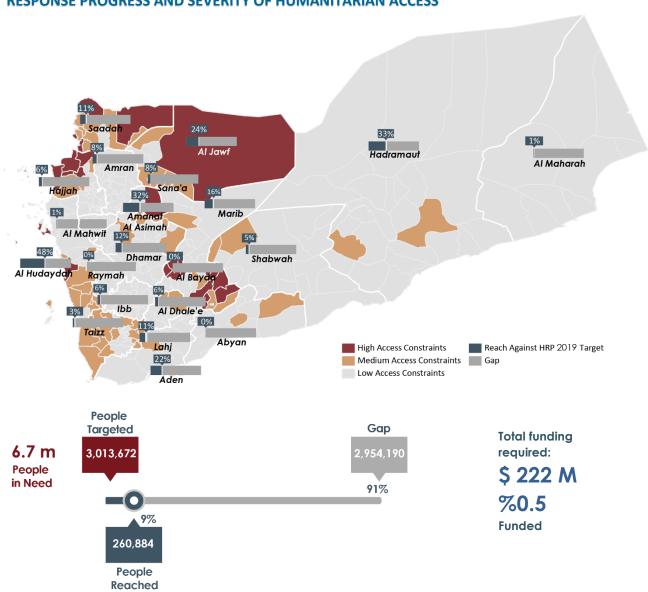


MONTHLY SITUATION REPORT

FEBRUARY 2019

RESPONSE PROGRESS AND SEVERITY OF HUMANITARIAN ACCESS



HIGHLIGHTS

- More than 5,000 families have fled the fighting in Kushar district of Hajjah governorate.
- 176 families escaped the fighting in Al Dhale'e, Al Hudaydah and Taizz governorates to south Taizz, Aden and Lahj governorates.
- Fighting resumed for hours in Ash Shamayatayn district between armed groups.
- The Government of Yemen backed by the SLC (Saudi Led coalition) launched an attached against AQAP in Mudiyah district.
- Movement of humanitarian supplies between Aden and Taizz were limited due to the closure of the main road for maintenance.
- Over 220 displaced families had to flee the fighting in Kushar district to Al Qaflah district of Amran governorate.
- The Shelter/NFI/CCCM Cluster reached 160,200 people in need through 25 active partners.

SITUATIONAL UPDATES AND DEVELOPMENTS



A displaced child carries household items provided by UNHCR in Al Humaydat district of Al Jawf governorate, QUNHCR/YARD

AL HUDAYDAH HUB

The situation in Kushar district escalated with intensive airstrikes, artillery exchange and shelling. More than 5,000 families (or 35,000 people) fled the fighting to seek refuge in other villages in Kushar district while others settled in Abs, Aflah Ash Sham, Khayran Al Muharrag and other nearby districts.

Operational challenges reported are related to the access constraints especially in the conflict areas, difficulty of obtaining the necessary permits to implement Partners programs, limited NFIs and Shelter resources in the governorate to cover the huge gaps, impediments hindering transportation of humanitarian supplies from Sana'a to Hajjah,

limited warehousing capacity in the governorate and lack of regular exchange of information about the needs of affected population and the situation in the IDP hosting sites.



A displaced child living in very dire conditions in Hawrah Stadium located in Hajjah governorate. @UNHCR/JAADH

ADEN HUB

Amid ongoing fighting in Al Dhale'e, Al Hudaydah and Taizz governorates, the deteriorated security situation forced over 176 families to flee the fighting and reside in relatively safe locations in south Taizz, Aden and Lahj governorates.

Fighting resumed for hours in Ash Shamayatayn district between armed groups. This incident impacted on all movements within and to the district.

The Government of Yemen backed by the SLC (Saudi Led coalition) launched an attached against AQAP in Mudiyah district of Taizz governorate while heavy deployment of military and police forces reported in Abyan, Aden and Lahj governorates.

Reports indicate spread of incitement messages motivating people against the presence of INGOs in Al Turbah City of Ash Shamayatayn district.

Movement of humanitarian supplies between Aden and Taizz were limited due to the closure of the main road for maintenance.

Joint field mission organized by both Aden and Taizz SNCCs (Sub-National Cluster Coordinators) to Al Mukha district to visit the locations where GWQ (Generation Without Gat) are constructing new transitional shelters. It was observed that there is a critical need to consider supporting different shelter solutions that are identified by the beneficiaries themselves since some families have expressed their intentions to return to their place of origin and others require rental support.

IBB HUB

Latest reports indicated some clashes in Al Husha district of Al Dhale'e governorate and some families left the conflict areas to other safe locations.

Partners reported interruption and in some cases suspension of their programs by local authorities in the hub despite that permits were already obtained.



An IDP hosting site in Yarim district of Ibb governorate where IDPs are living in difficult situation. @UNHCR/YWU

SNCCs went on field missions to As Saddah and Yarim districts to identify locations and beneficiaries to be provided with RHUs (Refugee Housing Units). The situation of IDP families found in Yahasb playground and soug Amad sites were very dire since about 18 families are living in the open or unfinished buildings. Families lack access to essential household item, appropriate shelter support and WASH including hygiene items. Landlord of unfinished building threatened the families to evict them. Over 30 child are not enrolled in the school since they cannot afford to pay the tuitions fees. The sites do not self-governing structure. Two cases were found requiring medical attention.

SANA'A HUB



Four-year-old Remas and her neighbor fetch water at Kharif hosting site in Amran, north-west Yemen, where UNHCR and other humanitarian agencies provide emergency shelters, food, latrines and water tanks for displaced families from Sa'adah and Al Hudaydah governorates. ©UNHCR/Shadi Abusneida

According to Partners, over 220 displaced families (or over 1,540 people) had to flee the fighting in Kushar district of Hajjah governorate, northern-west Yemen to Al Qaflah district of Amran governorate.

SA'ADAH HUB

A continuing influx of newly displaced, mainly women and children, have sought refuge in safer locations with Sa'adah and Al Jawf governorates.

In high density areas of displaced people, massive numbers of IDPs have discernably had an immense impact on hosting communities as increasing strains on public services and infrastructure compound existing structural problems in service delivery and increase pressure on limited resources.

RESPONSE DELIVERED



A displaced child carries household items provided by UNHCR in Al Humaydat district of Al Jawf governorate. @UNHCR/YARD

- NFIs distribution completed for 80,931 people mainly in Dhamar and Al Hudaydah governorates.
- EESKs distribution completed for 5,287 people mainly in Sa'adah governorate.
- Transfer of cash for rental subsidies completed for 8,382 people mainly in Aden and Taizz governorates.
- Construction of Transitional Shelter benefited 3,636 people in Hajjah and Ibb governorate.
- Transfer of winterization cash grants completed for 61,961 people mainly in Amanat Al Asimah, Sa'adah and Sana'a governorates.
- SMC (Site Management and Coordination) Mobile/Static teams were established in 4 IDP hosting sites in At Taizyah district of Taizz governorate.
- Four training programs conducted: Two facilitated by the SNCCs in Aden and south Taizz on the distribution guideline including AAP (Accountability toward Affected Population) and protection mainstreaming; Third training conducted in lbb which focused on the best practices for needs assessments and distributions; and fourth training targeted 8 IDP committee members of 4 IDP hosting sites in At Taizyah district of Taizz governorate to capacitate them on the SMC.