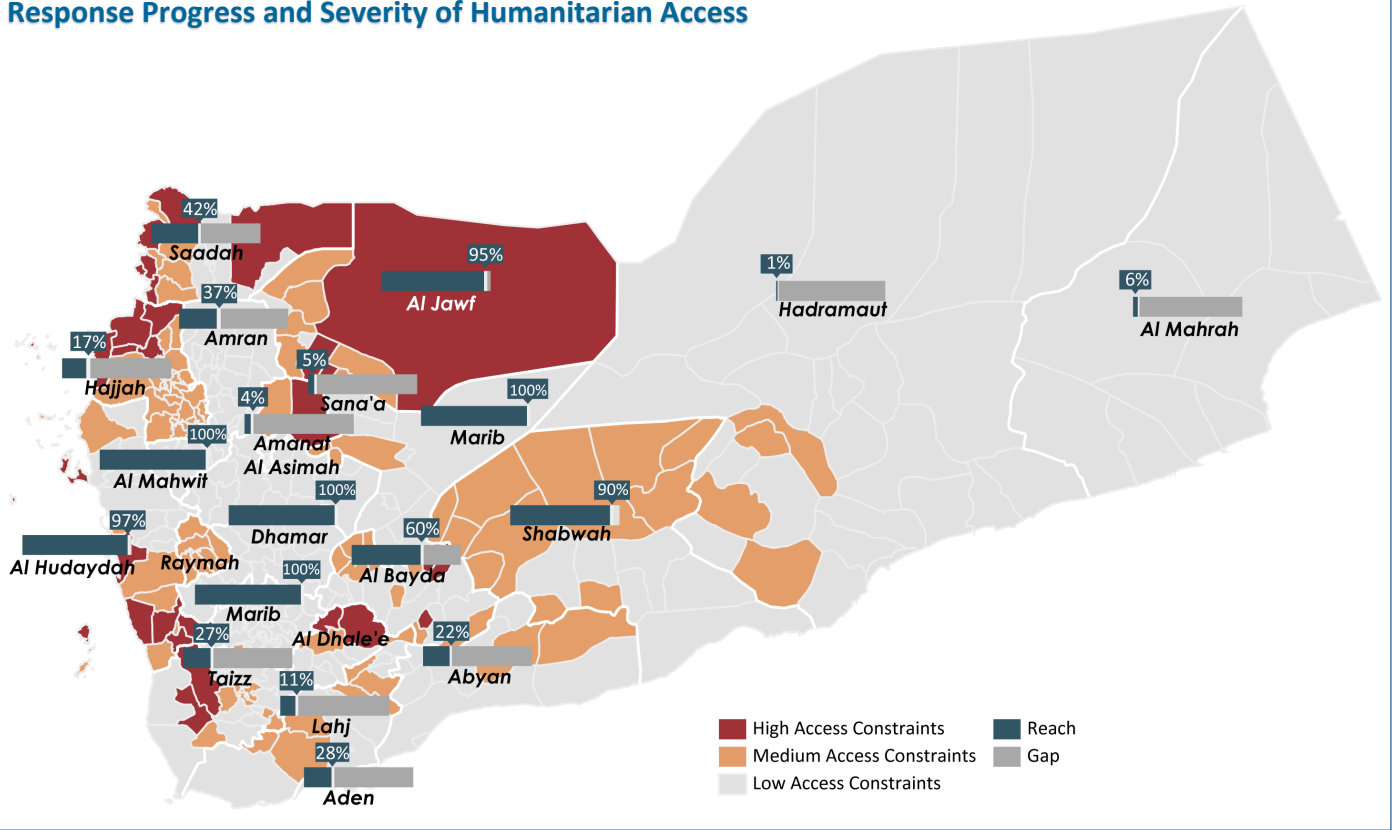
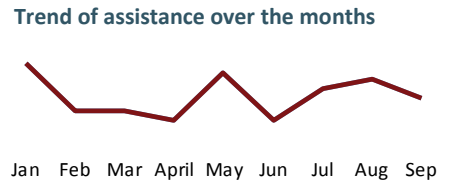


Response Progress and Severity of Humanitarian Access



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Recent Situational Developments

The humanitarian situation in Yemen continues to deteriorate with three-quarters of the population requiring some form of basic assistance to survive. This month, over 19 Cluster Partners were working around the clock to provide Shelter, NFIs (Non-Food Items) and Site Management and Coordination Support to 75,825 of Yemenis whose lives have been uprooted by the conflict. Overall challenges reported were mainly regarding the strict import limitations on raw materials for mattresses (a crucial part of the NFI kit), the overwhelming numbers of newly displaced families, delays in sharing beneficiaries lists by local authorities, access to some IDP hosting sites and the alarming deterioration of the Yemeni economy including depreciation of the country local currency, unprecedented increases in the price of fuel and high inflation rate which put those vulnerable at a heightened risk. The humanitarian community called for immediate measures to stabilize the economy, support the exchange rate and facilitation of humanitarian actions in the country. NCCT (National Cluster Coordination Team) were on missions to Aden, Hajjah and Ibb governorates to support and empower Sub-National Cluster Coordination and Cluster Partners,

assess current projects in the hubs and needs by carrying out meetings with authorities and Partners as well as conducting visits to IDP Hosting sites, providing technical support, capacity building to Cluster Partners on SMC (Site Management and Coordination) and participate in the Sub-National Clusters meetings. The SMC trainings were delivered in the three hubs to enhance the participants' understanding of SMC and contribute to the development of Yemen IDP SMC Strategy also build on participants' knowledge and understanding on their roles and responsibilities while providing services within the IDP Hosting Sites. Another IM training was delivered via video-conferencing on the 23rd of September for SNC (Sub-National Cluster) Partners in Aden Hub to boost their understanding on how to report their activities in the Cluster database through ActivityInfo. The CCPM (Cluster Coordination Performance Monitoring) online survey was launched on 5th of September and closed on 27th September. The process was supported by the GSC (Global Shelter Cluster). The survey participated by 58% of the Cluster membership and results will be discussed during the Cluster strategic direction workshop from 12th to 13th of November 2018.

Humanitarian Hubs

Aden

Security situation in the hub worsened further this month with two explosions in Caltex roundabout, Al Mansura district. This security instability badly affected the response to affected population and hindered the implementation of some humanitarian activities and restricted Partners movements including for missions. Tension among Aden population was observed due to the continuation of deterioration of local currency and incredible hikes price. The head of CSSW (The Charitable Society for Social Welfare) office in Aden was reported to be assassinated. The Shelter/NFI/CCCM Cluster condemned such acts and called for the protection of humanitarian relief personnel. Number of IDPs accommodated in the south governorates reached over 5,512 families including over 2,000 families displaced from Al Hudaydah during the last 4 weeks according to latest figures of DTM (Displacement Tracking Matrix).

Al Hudaydah

Intensification of fighting in Al Hudaydah eastern and southern areas resulted in dozens of civilians casualties, serious damages to infrastructure, closure of the main road to Sana'a in kilo 16 choking the lifeline, which the aid operation and the commercial markets rely on. Other routes are heavily damaged and increase transport times and therefore it driven up transportation costs for humanitarian organizations and private companies. Further conflict frontlines in Midi and Hayran districts resulted in the displacement of 4,000 families into Abs district. UNHCR through JAADH (Jeel Albena Association for Humanitarian Development) completed needs assessment in Mustaba district and found 1,186 families in need for shelter assistance and another assessment completed in As Sukhna district revealed that 2,973 families are in need for NFIs and 1,853 families in need for EESKs (Enhanced Emergency Shelter Kits).

Ibb

Humanitarian actors continue to face access issues in Hayfan district due to the ongoing conflict in the district. Multi-sectorial needs assessment was completed by DEEM organization in 5 IDP hosting sites accommodating 269 families in At Ta'iziyah and Dimnat Khadir districts. The assessment highlighted the urgent needs of the site residents for essential NFIs and ACTED confirmed their readiness to provide the response. CSSW (Charitable Society for Social Welfare) reported the situation of 52 IDP families who were forced to leave their homes in Al Kadamah village to Hemier area in Maqbanah district due to the ongoing fighting in the district. The families are found to be in need for shelter and food assistance. Those IDPs did not receive any kind of assistance due to access issues to their location. IYCY (International Youth Council – Yemen) completed needs assessment in Al Mudhaffar, Al Ma'afer, Al Mawasit, Maqbanah, Mawza and Jabal Habashy districts covering 1,460 families/ 10,220 individuals displaced from Al Hudaydah. The finding revealed that 30% of the families are living in EESKs, some are living with their relatives and others are living in rental houses. Families living in EESKs expressed that they are feeling hot inside their shelter and suffers from overcrowding since one EESK is accommodating three families while all men are sleeping outside in the open. In terms of NFI, about 80% of IDPs living in EESKs does not have access to the essential NFIs such as kitchen sets, clothes and blankets.



A child sitting in the open with his family belongings, Maqbanah district. Photo: CSSW.

Sana'a

Forcible eviction was reported by NAMCHA (National Authority for the Management and Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Recovery) in Amran governorate committed by the landlords of Saif IDP hosting site, Raydah district which is accommodating around 120 IDP families (from the marginalized group). It is the land they had been squatting on for the past 3 years. Some IDPs were physically assaulted or arrested and their emergency shelters damaged. The SNCC and the DRC, the organization responsible for Site Management and Coordination at the site, in collaboration with NAMCHA managed to secure another site to which the affected IDPs will be moved. Coordination with Partners working in the area resulted in several Partners agreeing to provide some basic services in the new site, and remaining service gaps are being addressed.



DRC conducting FGD in Saif IDP hosting site, Amran governorate. Photo: DRC.

To allow schools hosting IDPs to resume education, UNHCR in coordination with authorities have completed the provision of the cash for rental subsidies to 377 families displaced from Al Hudaydah in Amanat Al Asimah and Dhamar governorates. It was observed that deterioration of the Yemeni Riyal have derived the increase of the rental costs. As winter season is approaching, reports indicate that the unbearable weather temperature in Dhamar and Amran governorates may trigger further displacement of the IDP families from Al Hudaydah since they were used to hot weather in their areas of origin.

Assistance delivered and impact

Aden

Transfer of cash assistance in lieu for NFIs completed by UNHCR through Al Amal Bank for 1,009 families / 6,039 individuals in all districts of Aden governorate and Tuban district in Lahj governorate. The needs assessment was undertaken by NMO (Nahdah Makers Organization). Cash assistance for rental subsidies provided by SHS (Society for Humanitarian Solidarity) for 154 IDP families/ 1,014 individuals and 47 HC (Host Community) families/ 341 individuals in Ataq district (Shabwah) and UNHCR through YWU (Yemen Women Union) assisted two families in Al Qabbaytah district (Lahj). The different cash grants programs allowed the beneficiaries to purchase their critical household items and secure their rental accommodation for a period of time. In-kind NFIs distribution completed by UNHCR through SHS for 46 IDP families/ 325 individuals in Al Mukalla, Sayun and Tarim districts (Hadramaut). The kits provided contributed in reducing family's psychological stress that was generated from the displacement by ensuring their access to the essential NFIs which are necessary for the daily use in their shelter.

Al Hudaydah

NFIs distribution completed by UNHCR through JAAHD for 659 families and EESKs for 288 families in Ad Dahi district. The IDP children accompanied their parents to the distribution sites and they looked very happy when their parents received the assistance. It was observed that JAAHD had well-organized the distribution sites and prioritized vulnerable persons (i.e. elderly, women, boys and girls).



An IDP child smiling and feeling happy with the NFIs provided to his family, Al Hudaydah governorate. Photo: JAADH.

QRCS (Qatar Red Crescent Society) completed the transfer of cash grants for rehabilitation/reconstruction of damaged/destroyed houses for 206 families in Alluheyah and Az Zuhrah districts. The houses were damaged by flooding and these grants allowed the families to return to their houses. NRC completed the distribution of EESKs to 227 families and NFIs to 297 families in Hajjah governorate. The distributions targeted families who have displaced for less than a month. BCHR (Benevolence Coalition For Humanitarian Relief) distributed NFIs to 70 IDP families in Al Khawkhah district. The families have been forced to flee their homes due to the conflict leaving their belongings behind seeking for safety. Currently, their lives have seen some improvement as the kits enabled them to live with some dignity.

Ibb

NFIs and EESKs distributions completed by UNHCR through YWU for 204 families affected by flooding in As Saddah district. NFIs distribution also completed by UNHCR through YWU for an additional 1,161 families in Ibb and Taizz governorates, IOM assisted 30 families living in the IDP hosting sites of Dhi As Sufal district and Wama Organization jointly with ACTED assisted 1,215 IDP and HC families in Jiblah district. Resaly Foundation provided EESKs to 21 families in At Ta'iziyah district. IYCY completed the distribution of NFIs to 360 families / 2,045 individuals in Al Ma'afer district with stocks donated by DFID. The different kits distributed provided the families with the immediate life-saving support to allow them to temporarily stabilize their lives until more durable solutions are found. Transfer of cash assistance for rental subsidies were completed by UNHCR for 1,552 IDP and HC families in Ibb and Taizz governorates. DEEM organization started the SMC activities in AlErtika'a IDPs site in Dimnat Khadir district to coordinate and address service provision in a site hosting 121 families.

Sa'adah



IDP and HC women participating in QIP Project, Sa'adah Governorate. Photo: UNHCR.

Transfer of cash for rental subsidies completed by UNHCR to 104 families in Sa'adah City and 2,721 families in Bart Al Anan, Kharab Al Marashi, Rajuzah, Al Matammah, and Az Zahir districts of Al Jawf governorate. NFIs distribution completed by ACTED for 1,004 IDP families in Monabbih district (Sa'adah) and 233 IDP families in Al Maslub district of Al Jawf Governorate and UNHCR through YDF (Yemen Development Foundation) assisted 61 displaced families with NFIs and 33 families with EESKs in Sa'adah City. To ensure the sustainability of assistance provided, UNHCR implemented two QIPs (Quick Impact Projects) targeting 40 women from the IDPs and HC in Sa'adah and Al Jawf governorates. The women were provided with trainings and sewing machines to enable them to generate income for their families.

Sana'a

NFI distribution completed by ADRA for 720 families in Dhamar governorate with stocks donated by DFID. It provided the first emergency response to these families who have recently displaced from Al Hudaydah through the provision of emergency NFIs. NRC assisted 400 families in Suwayr district with NFIs while YRCS (Yemen Red Crescent Society) assisted 73 families in other six districts in Amran governorate. EESKs distribution completed by UNHCR through ADRA and YRCS for 3 families in Amran and Dhamar governorates. Transfer of cash for rental subsidies completed by NRC and UNHCR through YRCS and ADRA to 1,625 families in Amran and Dhamar governorates. The cash grants targeted IDP and HC families to reinforced their coping strategies.