

2019 ACHIEVEMENTS



A DOCTOR EXAMINES A SICK CHILD IN HIS MOTHER'S LAP AT AN IOM CLINIC IN SANA'A WHERE THE CHILD WILL ALSO RECEIVE MEDICINE FROM A PHARMACY FOLLOWING HIS DIAGNOSIS ©IOM 2019

SITUATION OVERVIEW

Yemen continues to struggle through the largest humanitarian crisis in the world. Over 410,000 people were displaced during 2019, primarily, by conflict and, to a lesser extent, natural hazards. Despite global attention on the crisis and political talks, immense suffering persists across the country.

The armed conflict has taken an unthinkable toll on the civilian population. By the end of 2019, more than 100,000 Yemenis had lost their lives over the course of nearly five years of conflict, as a result of fighting and its deadly consequences like severe food insecurity. In the first six months of 2019, Yemen had seen more suspected cholera cases than in all of 2018. The impacts of the conflict and health crises were compounded in areas where heavy rains and floods were experienced periodically throughout the year, with displaced people living in makeshift accommodation bearing the brunt of the extreme weather.

Yemen's economy, already undeveloped prior to the conflict, has been severely impacted by the crisis. Families throughout the country no longer have a steady income. The dire effects go beyond the individual level, with public institutions crumbling. Just over 50 per cent of health facilities are operating and are doing so with far less than the required staff and supplies. Similar examples can be given in all areas of public services, including education and water and sanitation. Many of the development gains achieved by Yemen prior to 2015 are now more or less reversed.

Despite the conflict, migrants continued to make the journey from the Horn of Africa to and through Yemen, with nearly 140,000 migrants arriving in 2019. With the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia being the intended destination for 88 per cent of those arriving in Yemen, many migrants fall victim to abuse and exploitation by criminal networks, smugglers and traffickers.

With offices in Sana'a, Aden, Al Hudaydah, Marib, Ibb and Hadramaut,

and satellite presences in all 22 governorates, IOM supports the most vulnerable throughout Yemen, including displaced people, conflict-affected communities and migrants. IOM's sub-office in Marib – where the Organization is also setting up a humanitarian hub – and field office in Hadramaut were newly established in 2019. IOM takes in a holistic approach to humanitarian response, incorporating health, water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH), shelter, non-food item (NFI) and cash-based assistance, camp coordination and camp management (CCCM), protection and displacement tracking (DTM). One of IOM's core focuses in 2019, which will continue in 2020, was operational expansion to underserved districts.

KEY EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACHIEVEMENTS

TOTAL PEOPLE REACHED	5,368,761*
PEOPLE REACHED	
WASH	1,320,038*
S/NFI/CCCM	457,598
DTM (DISPLACEMENTS & MIGRANT MOVEMENTS)	601,480
TRANSITION & RECOVERY	1,044,036*
HEALTH	2,159,265
PROTECTION	332,677

*Includes indirect beneficiaries

WASH

- Nearly 550,000 vulnerable persons reached through the rehabilitation and reconstruction of key water and sanitation systems across 14 governorates and over 600,000 benefited from solid waste management support in five governorates.
- Approximately 500,000 people reached through hygiene awareness campaigns in Aden, Abyan, Lahj, Shabwah, Al Dhale'e and Ibb governorates and nearly 100,000 benefited from the distribution of just under 14,000 hygiene kits.

FOOD SECURITY

- More than 25,000 individuals reached through the distribution of food baskets.

SHELTER/NFI/CCCM

- The S-NFI and CCCM teams were strengthened and separated into two units.
- 142 displacement sites supported in Ibb, Taizz, Al Hudaydah and Marib, reaching nearly 110,000 people
- Approximately 230,000 people reached through the distribution of over 41,000 S-NFI kits and multipurpose cash transfers to households comprising of over 13,000 people.
- 15 warehouses managed across Yemen with a total storage capacity of 15,000 sqm and over 11,000 S-NFI kits pre-positioned.
- Over 50,000 people reached through the distribution of Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) kits in Al Hudaydah and Marib.

TRANSITION & RECOVERY

- 64 community assets rehabilitated and reconstructed in five governorates, including 20 schools and technical institutes, nine health facilities, 31 irrigation channels and four local markets, reaching an indirect total of nearly 320,000 people.
- Nearly 14,000 students, teachers, school administration and family members reached through school rehabilitations and workshops to improve educational capacity.
- Nearly 800,000 people indirectly benefited from cleaning campaigns, and just over 2,300 families were supported through employment in IOM transition and recovery projects.
- Seven contested irrigation channels were rehabilitated in parallel to the establishment of community conflict resolution committees.

HEALTH

- 86 health facilities, including 10 mobile teams in 17 governorates, supported with staff, resources, medicines and medical equipment.
- More than 1.3 million medical consultations conducted, including 1.28 million consultations for displaced and conflict-affected Yemenis and nearly 70,000 consultations for migrants, and over 20,000 people supported with minor and major surgeries.
- Over 820,000 people took part in health awareness sessions.
- Nearly 2,000 health workers trained across Yemen.

DTM

- 413,202 displaced people tracked in 2019 across 22 governorates, 276 districts and 4,182 locations.
- Over 97,000 displaced persons' return to their area of origin in 13 governorates, 56 districts and 386 locations recorded.
- 138,213 migrant arrivals from the Horn of Africa recorded.
- 50,065 Yemeni migrant returnees tracked.

PROTECTION

- Nearly 250,000 conflict-affected children and family members reached through IOM's child friendly spaces and approximately 25,000 people received services at IOM's community response points (CRP). The CRP provides services such as protection case management, counselling and
- Approximately 54,000 migrants reached with humanitarian assistance and an additional 3,785 stranded migrants and 1,681 refugees were supported with voluntary return assistance to their countries of origin, primarily Ethiopia and Somalia.



IOM'S PROTECTION TEAM HELP A SOMALI REFUGEE BOARD A BOAT TO START HER JOURNEY HOME FROM ADEN © IOM 2019

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