



Yemen

Humanitarian Situation Report

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HIGHLIGHTS

- The humanitarian situation in Yemen continues to worsen, particularly in the most conflict affected governorates. The health system has further deteriorated nation-wide, with an estimated 15.2 million people in need of basic health care due to the ongoing conflict and lack of fuel.
- Since April, an outbreak of dengue fever is feared to have affected over 4,000 people, while measles outbreaks are being investigated.
- Lack of clean water and the breakdown of sanitation systems has become a public health threat in affected communities. Some 20.4 million people require access to safe drinking water and sanitation.
- During the reporting period, UNICEF supported the provision of fuel to pump water to the city of Sana'a reaching over 1 million people, as well as to the cities of Hodiedah, Dhamar, Amran and Taiz, reaching an additional 1.1 million.
- In the last week, UNICEF distributed and installed 17 refrigerators in 17 health facilities to support the vaccine cold chain in Hodeidah Governorate to benefit over 52,000 children, 55,500 women of reproductive age and 16,432 pregnant women.
- On 15 June, a UNICEF-supported immunization campaign was launched in Mahweet Governorate targeting over 21,500 children and 90,000 women.
- During the reporting period, over 6,100 children under the age of 5 were screened for severe acute malnutrition (SAM) and over 2,200 SAM children were identified and admitted to outpatient therapeutic programmes.
- UNICEF Provided the Hodeidah Cleaning and Improvement Fund with over 200,000 litres of fuel, to run garbage collection trucks in the city of Hodeidah for the entire month of June.

Situation Overview & Humanitarian Needs

The humanitarian situation in Yemen continues to worsen, particularly in the most conflict affected governorates, including Aden, Sa'ada, Taiz and Al Jawf. Nationwide, casualties are increasing rapidly, with an estimated 2,584 confirmed deaths (including 279 children killed), and 11,065 injuries (including 402 children injured). Twenty-one million people are

SITUATION IN NUMBERS

21 million people in need of humanitarian assistance, including **9.9 million** children

1 million IDPs

2,584 people killed, including **279** children

11,065 people injured, including **402** children

1.83 million children lost over two months of school

20.4 million people require access to safe drinking water and sanitation (HNO)

15.2 million people require access to basic healthcare (HNO)

160 health facilities providing nutrition services closed, putting **450,000 children** under 5 at risk of becoming severely malnourished

UNICEF 2015 Requirements:

US \$88.1 million

Funds received:

US \$17.9 million (80% gap in funding)

in need of some form of humanitarian assistance, and over one million are internally displaced and seeking shelter in schools and with host families.

The health system has further deteriorated nation-wide, with an estimated 15.2 million people now in need of basic health care due to the ongoing conflict and lack of fuel. Since April, an outbreak of dengue fever is feared to have affected at least 4,000 people in several parts of the country, while measles outbreaks are being investigated in Sa'ada and Al Jawf. Lack of clean water and the breakdown of sanitation systems has become a public health threat in the affected communities. A total of 20.4 million people require access to safe drinking water and sanitation.

Humanitarian Leadership and Coordination

UNICEF is working in coordination with the Yemen Humanitarian Country Team (HCT), which has resumed its operation in Sana'a following the return of a small number of international staff on 12 May. The Regional Humanitarian Coordinator (RHC) has visited Yemen and expressed his wishes to scale up the presence of international staff in-country in order to scale-up the humanitarian response. Discussions are ongoing with regards to increasing the UN footprint in Yemen. The Humanitarian Country Team (HTC) continues under the leadership of the Humanitarian Coordinator who liaises closely with the Regional Humanitarian Coordinator. UNICEF is leading the WASH, Child Protection, Education and Nutrition Clusters.

Humanitarian Framework

The Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) was launched on 12 June 2015 and estimates that 21 million people inside Yemen (80% of the total population) require humanitarian protection or assistance. The humanitarian needs of children across all sectors have increased significantly over the past two months. The Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) for Yemen is currently being revised by humanitarian actors and will be launched on 19 June 2015. UNICEF's revised humanitarian appeal is expected to be more than double the original appeal.

Summary Analysis of Programme Response per Section

Health & Nutrition

On 15 June, UNICEF supported the launch of an immunization campaign in Mahweet Governorate targeting over 21,500 children under 1 with Vitamin A supplementation and vaccination against all 10 childhood diseases, including measles and polio. In addition 90,000 women were given the tetanus vaccine. This outreach immunization campaign is expected to continue for the next five days and will provide immunization services in hard to reach communities by setting up immunization sites in mosques and schools. An estimated 29,150 IDPs have moved to Mahweet since the onset of the conflict and will also be covered by the campaign.

According to the Governorate Health Office of Aden, since April, an outbreak of a reported 4,080 cases of clinically diagnosed dengue fever (which has led to 113 deaths) is being investigated in the affected areas. Cases of both malaria and dengue fever are also being reported from neighbouring governorates including in Lahj. Lack of clean water, a collapsing sanitation system, displaced populations, and limited access to healthcare are all likely contributors to these new outbreaks. UNICEF is supporting WHO and other partners with the provision of essential health drugs, funding and mobile health clinics for communication and detection of dengue cases.

Access to healthcare remains particularly challenging in the most affected areas of Sa'ada, Taiz and Aden Governorates. During the last week, UNICEF distributed and installed 17 refrigerators in 17 health facilities for cold chain maintenance in Hodeidah Governorate (Bajil, Munirah, Ziadiah, Meena, Alhali, Alhawak and Aldahi), that will benefit 43,600 children under 5 years of age, 9,000 children under 1 year, 55,500 women of reproductive age and 16,432 pregnant women.

Over the past week, UNICEF supported the training of 55 community health volunteers (7 men and 48 women) on key messages including on exclusive breastfeeding, promoting infant and child feeding practices, vaccination, hygiene and prevention of disease outbreaks of malaria, dengue fever and diarrhea in Rayma and Hajjah Governorates.

During the reporting period, a total of 2,251 severely malnourished children (SAM) were admitted to outpatient therapeutic programmes (OTPs) and 6,190 children under the age of 5 were screened for SAM in various affected governorates. Out of the children screened, 370 severely malnourished children were admitted to fixed and mobile OTPs in the governorates of Al-Jouf, Sa'ada, Amran, Hodeidah, Hajjah, Al Bayda, Ibb, Taiz, Al Jwf, Shabwa and Aden. A total of

810 children under the age of 5 received Vitamin A supplementation and 138 received deworming tablets in the governorates of Shabwa, Sa'ada, Hajjah, Amran, Hodeidah, Rayma and Mahweet.

Water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH)

The ongoing conflict, fuel supply shortages and stalled sanitation systems continue to affect the most vulnerable people of Yemen. In the most affected areas of the country, UNICEF continues to provide fuel to ensure that water systems and garbage collection trucks continue to operate. In addition, UNICEF continues to provide WASH supplies, including hygiene kits, among many other interventions, to the most affected areas of the country. UNICEF, together with partners, ensured the provision of fuel to pump water in the city of Sana'a reaching over 1 million people, as well as in the cities of Hodiedah, Dhamar, Amran and Taiz reaching an additional 1.1 million. During the reporting period, UNICEF also provided the Hodeidah Cleaning and Improvement Fund with over 200,000 litres of fuel to ensure the continued collection and disposal of garbage city-wide for the entire month of June. A similar agreement is being discussed with the city of Sana'a (Amanat Al-Asama).

Internally displaced families who have taken refuge in schools continue to be supported with the provision of clean drinking water. Through the installation of water tanks and water trucking, clean water was delivered to 3,558 people in Amanat Al-Asama Governorate, Amran City, Taiz city and in the districts of Abs and Hayran in Hajjah Governorate. UNICEF distributed hygiene kits to 650 families, in Shehrah district and Khamer town in Amran Governorate, and provided 450 families in Shehrah district with ceramic water filters. In total, over the past month, over 27,000 people have benefited from UNICEF's distribution of WASH supplies in Amran and Sa'ada Governorates. Over 25,000 internally displaced people in the Abs and Hayran districts in Hajjah Governorate have been reached with hygiene awareness education activities that focused on personal hygiene, hand washing and safe water storage. During the past week, UNICEF distributed 200,000 water purification tablets to 2,300 internally displaced families in the districts of Harad, Hayran, Abs, and Bani Qais in Hajjah Governorate. Additionally, in Amran City, 20,000 chlorine tablets were distributed to 645 internally displaced families (20,615 people) during the reporting period.

Education

With all schools officially closed for the summer, UNICEF continues to support the Ministry of Education (MoE) in identifying schools affected by the conflict, including those that have been completely or partially damaged, and those occupied by internally displaced persons (IDPs), or armed groups. Since March, some 3,584 schools have closed down as a result of the conflict. Out of these, 67 were closed due to armed group's occupation, 237 are used by IDP's and 154 are damaged. This data is still being verified.

During the past week, UNICEF supported the MoE to establish a central-level task force to ensure that school buildings and assets are protected during the ongoing conflict. UNICEF also advocated for the task force to engage school principals and Father and Mother Councils (FMC) in affected schools to take measures to protect schools, such as locking student desks and other furniture in schools occupied by IDPs. As a result, the MoE's Education in Emergency (EiE) Committee circulated memos to education authorities in affected areas to begin taking these measures during the third week of June.

Child Protection

An increasing number of young boys are being observed manning checkpoints. Trained Monitoring and Reporting Mechanism (MRM) monitors observed 23 boys manning checkpoints in several locations throughout the Taiz Governorate since the beginning of June. The Task Force on Monitoring and Reporting of Grave Child Rights Violations (CTF MR) verified that a total of 279 children have been killed and 402 injured since the start of the conflict in March.

Communication for Development (C4D)

Since the escalation of conflict on 26 March, C4D interventions have reached a total of 152,451 IDPs and community members with an integrated package of life saving, care and child protection messages through interpersonal engagement. The messages specifically focus on disease prevention and management, essential nutrition, promotion of routine immunisation, hygiene promotion, avoiding child separation and prevention of injuries from unexploded ordnance (UXOs). In total, 154,000 people have been reached with these life-saving messages in Al-Jawf and Saada (27,122), Ibb and Taiz (40,640), Raymah and Hodeidah (40,100), Dhale, Abyan, Shabwa and Lahj (23,384), and Sana'a, Dhamar, Marab, Amran and Al-Bayda (23,420).

In total, 1,097 community volunteers and 129 religious leaders and community leaders, working through eight civil society organization partners have been oriented on key messages and appropriate C4D approaches since mid-March. These people are actively involved in promoting positive practices, including prevention and management of disease outbreaks, promotion of routine immunization services, awareness and uptake of mobile services, promotion of infant and young child feeding, hygiene promotion, household water safety and use, use and promotion of chlorination of water, as well as avoiding separation and avoiding injury and death due to UXOs. In addition, these volunteers and leaders are working to link communities to available services such as mobile health clinics. Over 35,000 copies of IEC materials covering 14 key behaviours have been distributed to partners including MoH for dissemination and use with affected populations. Soft copy versions have been shared with the Djibouti Country Office to facilitate C4D interventions with over 5,000 Yemeni refugees in the country. Six radio stations continue to broadcast health and hygiene promotion messages in Hodeidah, Aden, Lahj (1 in each) and in Sana'a (3) reaching an estimated, conservative total of 2.8 million listeners.

Funding

On 17 April, the UN launched a Flash Appeal for Yemen, totaling nearly \$274 million for three months, out of which UNICEF is appealing for US \$28 million. This brings UNICEF's total revised humanitarian appeal for 2015 to US\$88.1 million. As of 16 June, UNICEF received US\$17.9 million, leaving a funding gap of 80 per cent. A revised inter-agency Humanitarian Response Plan will be launched on June 19 and appeal figures are expected to increase to respond to the increased needs.

Sector	Original HAC Requirements (Jan – Dec 2015)	UNICEF Flash Appeal (1 Apr – 30 Jun 2015)	Revised 2015 HAC Requirements	Funds Received	Funding Gap	Per cent of funding gap
Nutrition	20,000,000	5,420,000	25,420,000	5,537,316	19,882,684	78%
Water, sanitation and hygiene	7,000,000	10,300,000	17,300,000	4,084,917	13,215,083	76%
Health	10,000,000	10,453,241	20,453,241	3,329,415	17,123,826	84%
Child Protection	12,600,000	1,810,000	14,410,000	4,132,821	10,277,179	71%
Education	10,500,000	--	10,500,000	919,993	9,580,007	91%
Unallocated				99,547		
Total (US\$)	60,100,000	27,983,241	88,083,241	17,904,914	70,078,779	80%

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SUMMARY OF PROGRAMME RESULTS

YEMEN	Cluster Target*	Cluster Results [^]	UNICEF Target*	UNICEF Results [^]
WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE - 2015 Need*: 13.4 million people (YHRP 2015)				
# of affected population provided with access to water as per agreed standards	3,103,852 ^{^^} (flash appeal target)	2,208,254	2,953,852 (flash appeal target)	1,214,270
# of displaced families with access to hygiene kit	250,000 (flash appeal target)	22,324	55,000 (flash appeal target)	18,353
HEALTH - 2015 Need*: 8.4 million people (YHRP 2015)				
# of children under-5 vaccinated for measles and Polio (OPV ₃ /MCV ₁)			2,400,000	208,698
# of pregnant women provided antenatal, delivery and postnatal care			384,000 (flash appeal target)	8,874
NUTRITION - 2015 Need*: 1.6 million people (YHRP 2015)				
# of children under-5 with Severe Acute Malnutrition admitted to therapeutic care (OTP/TFC/Mobile)	131,503 ^{**}	31,401	128,503 ^{**}	31,401
# of children under-5 given micronutrient interventions	1,198,059	204,934	1,198,059	204,934
CHILD PROTECTION - 2015 Need*: 2.6 million people (YHRP 2015)				
# of children living in areas where grave child rights violations are being monitored and reported (MRM)	1,200,000 (flash appeal target)	1,195,547	1,200,000 (flash appeal target)	1,195,547
# of affected children benefitting from psychosocial support	400,000	121,936	320,000	121,936
# people (child & adult) reached with information on protecting themselves from physical injury/death due to mine/UXO/ERW and appropriate referrals to child-friendly Victims Assistance programme	500,000	275,619	400,000	275,619
EDUCATION - 2015 Need*: 1.1 million people (YHRP 2015); 1.84 million children out of school since escalation of conflict in March				
# of children reached by schools supported by UNICEF/cluster (including in schools in affected areas still functioning, re-opened schools and/or temporary facilities established)	77,050	20,644	66,465	13,631
C4D				
Estimated # of affected population reached through C4D efforts			834,000 (flash appeal target)	152,451

***Note on needs and targets:** Unless otherwise noted, the stated needs and targets are from the 12-month 2015 inter-agency Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan (YHRP). Following the escalation in conflict in late March, a 90-day interagency Flash Appeal was published outlining additional life-saving priorities. These flash appeal targets are noted when used. The 2015 YHRP is currently being reviewed and will be revised following the acute phase of the current context to take into account the new humanitarian needs for the second half of 2015.

[^]Note of results: Results reported against YHRP targets cover the period beginning January 1, 2015. Result reported against flash appeal targets cover the period beginning April 1, 2015.

^{^^}2,953,852 via support to public water supply, 150,000 IDPs via water trucking

^{**}Including 40,000 as a part of the flash appeal