

# Protection Cluster Quarterly Bulletin

## KP/FATA

### July – September 2015



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## Overview of IDPs in KP/FATA

As of 30 of September 2015<sup>1</sup>, the number of IDPs families registered in KP/FATA was **203,181** with 200,734 families (99%) staying in host communities and 2,447 families (1%) living in IDP camps.

### Currently Registered IDP Families by Location (Camp and Off-Camp)

Present Location		Area of Origin						Total Families	% of Total
		NWA	FR Tank	Khyber	Kurram	Orakzai	SWA		
D I Khan	Off Camp	4,759	321				34,116	39,196	19%
Hangu	Camp				7	1,078		1,085	1%
	Off Camp	299		42	2,266	3,950		6,557	3%
	Sub-Total	299		42	2,273	5,028	0	7,642	4%
Khyber Agency	Off Camp	12		1,273				1,285	1%
Kohat	Off Camp	983		266	2,422	16,193	108	19,972	10%
Kurram	Camp			3	769			772	0%
	Off Camp	10		622	7,740			8,372	4%
	Sub-Total	10		625	8,509			9,144	5%
Nowshera	Camp			587		3		590	0%
	Off Camp	140		2,647	322	90	13	3,212	2%
	Sub-Total	140		3,234	322	93	13	3,802	2%
Peshawar	Off Camp	5,125		17,262	8,948	1,893	438	33,666	17%
Tank	Off Camp	46					21,853	21,899	11%
Bannu	Off Camp	66,297					278	66,575	33%
Grand Total		77,671	321	22,702	22,474	23,207	56,806	203,181	100%

During the reporting period, the cluster continued to provide support to the affected population through counselling, legal assistance and civil documentation assistance during all phases of the displacement cycle. Protection monitoring activities were carried out both in-camp and off-camp while grievance desks facilitated the self-reporting of grievances, particularly related to access to registration and assistance.

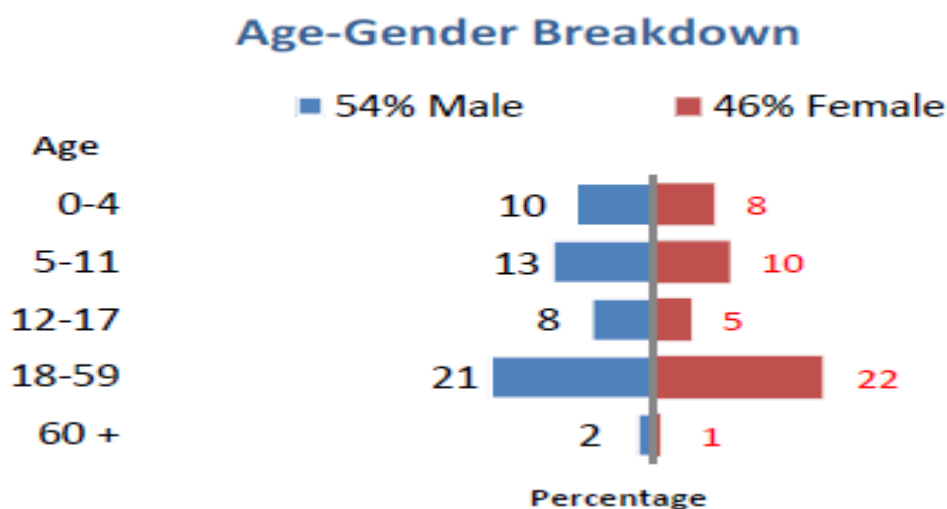
The Child Protection sub cluster reached over 1 million children and women through protective spaces and identified and linked vulnerable children and women with different services through referrals.

GBV Steering Committee members established community based protection committees, engaging the community and leaders as part of the prevention and response mechanisms. Protective spaces at the community level were established and outreach mobile service activities were conducted to reach women, girls and boys.

The Ageing and Disability Task Force made all technical humanitarian tools that are used by the Protection cluster inclusive of aging and disability factors.

<sup>1</sup> UNHCR, IDP fact sheet, as of 30 September 2015.

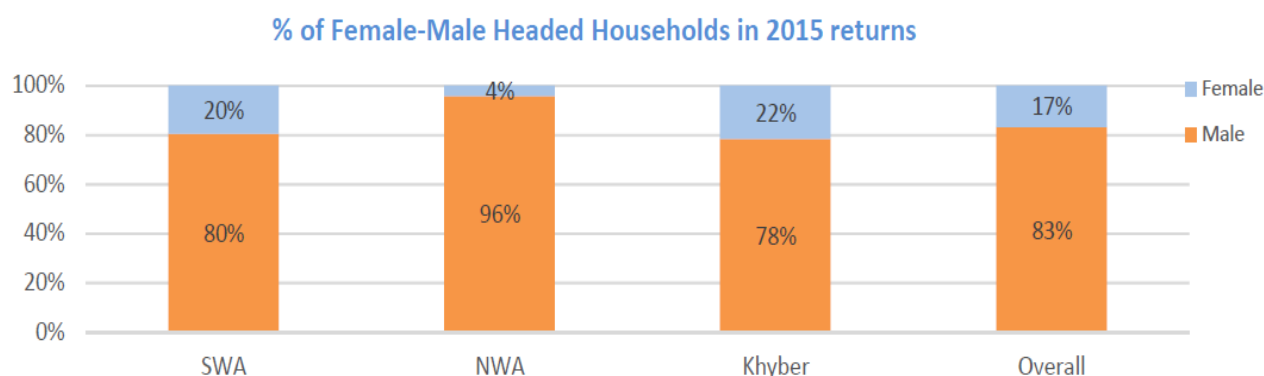
When disaggregating the data of the displaced population into age and gender, it is noted that 54% of them are male and 46% are female. The elderly comprise 3% of the total while 54 % of the displaced are children under 18 years of age. Please see the below for the breakdown:



### Return Updates

As of 30 September 2015<sup>2</sup>, **99,438** families have returned to Khyber, South Waziristan Agency (SWA), and North Waziristan Agency (NWA). This figure does not reflect unregistered returnees facilitated by the Government of Pakistan (GoP). However, it does include 20,658 families of 5 de-notified Tehsils from NWA who were de-registered following verification by the GoP.

Out of the 99,438 families who returned, 17% were female-headed households (FHH) and 83% of the families were headed by a male:




The cluster participated in the Return Task Force meeting that was held on 2 September 2015. The subject of the meeting was to plan the return of an estimated 700 families of Orakzai Agency living inside Togh Sarai Camp and the return of Sectarian IDPs of Kurram Agency (4500 – 6000 families). The tentative date of these two returns was 29 September.

<sup>2</sup> UNHCR, IDP Returns Fact sheet, as of 30 September 2015

The cluster, through the establishment of grievance desks, facilitated the return of the Qamar Khel tribe of Bara, Khyber Agency. The return started on 10 September and by the end of September, 411 in- camp families and 6143 off- camp families of the Qamar Khel tribe were issued a VRF.

As part of the Return Matrix, the cluster conducted the Return Intention Surveys (RIS) for Kurram and Orakzai IDPs. The two surveys can be found at OCHA's website:

<https://www.humanitarianresponse.info/en/operations/pakistan/protection/documents>.

IDP Returns Fact Sheet						 <b>UNHCR</b> The UN Refugee Agency	
Updated: As of 30 September 2015							
	Returns in 2015 (families)						Total
	Orakzai	Kurram	SWA	NWA	Khyber	FR Tank	
January							0
February							0
March			3,238	44	8,546		11,828
April				178	9,795		9,973
May				917	4,430		5,347
June				570	10,144		10,714
July				2,440	8,319		10,759
August			248	22,182	15,722		38,152
September			5,158	0	7,507		12,665
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,644</b>	<b>26,331</b>	<b>64,463</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>99,438</b>

The cluster also participated in inter-cluster missions to SWA, Kurram and Orakzai. The reports of these missions can also be found on the OCHA website:

<https://www.humanitarianresponse.info/en/operations/pakistan/protection/documents>.

## Overview of trainings/workshops

As reported in the last quarterly bulletin, April – June 2015, the cluster organised an advocacy workshop in June 2015 with the key objective to establish a strong foundation for developing a SMART Advocacy Strategy for the cluster. The follow-up workshop took place on 30 July 2015 and cluster members developed an advocacy framework with key actions. The workshop report and action point matrix has been shared with cluster members.

Enumerators from different NGOs participated in refresher trainings on interview techniques and the use of the intention questionnaire for Togh Sarai and Kurram returns.

## Protection Working Group - Bannu

The protection working group was established in June 2015 after reports of dire living conditions and protection issues in spontaneous settlements in Bannu. Cluster member CERD volunteered to take on the coordination of the working group and monthly meeting are being held. Issues that are frequently being raised at the meeting include the lack of water, health and education services in the settlements. Partly, this is due to lack of funding. In addition, there are around 16,000 grievances that are pending due to



FDMA's and NADRA's refusal to deal with them. The cluster has repeatedly raised the matter with relevant authorities but no solution has been found yet.

CERD and SRSP have established women friendly spaces including vocational training opportunities for the women of NWA. Moreover, the two NGOs are also facilitating female-headed households (FHH) to obtain CNIC's.



Meeting of protection working group in Bannu

### **GBV sub-cluster**

PHPF/GBV: Three local NGO's, members of the GBV sub cluster, have received funds from Pakistan Humanitarian Pooled Fund (PHPF). The projects will facilitate access to multi-sectorial prevention and response services to address GBV in Bara. The project activities are conducted in close coordination with FDMA and relevant government authorities.

UNFPA/SRSP: Since the start of the humanitarian displacement from North Waziristan Agency, UNFPA, through its partner SRSP, was engaged in the provision of GBV Prevention and Response services. This project has to date benefited 15,343 women with access basic services through 4 women friendly spaces, support provided through protection desks and assistance with GBV referrals. The interventions have also included awareness raising efforts at community level, psycho social support and counselling, as well as access to livelihood opportunities. The project has been extended until December 2015.

### **Child Protection sub-cluster**

- The CP sub-Cluster partners (CERD, PVDP, HF and PADO) have provided child protection services to 47,805 children (21,723) and 15,201 women through Protection Learning and Community

`Emergency Services (PLaCES), Child Friendly Spaces/Centers and outreach services in IDP camps and hosting communities including areas of return in KP and FATA.

- Keeping in view the funding constraints and decreasing number of families in IDP camps, Child Protection services are discontinued in camps and parts of hosting communities in KP and FATA.
- The CERF secretariat has recently allocated funds for Child Protection sector for providing child protection and life-saving services to affected children and women in areas of return in Kurram Agency and South Waziristan Agency.
- In response to recent Kurram Agency IDPs return, NGO partner PVDP facilitated children and women through a Child Protection and Information desk at embarkation point in New Durrani, Kurram Agency.
- The Child Protection sub-cluster partners (PADO and Hayat Foundation) are implementing CPiE projects (funded by ERF) for providing child protection services to children and their caregivers in areas of return in Bara, Khyber Agency.

### Few Challenges

- The Child Protection sub-Cluster is constraint with funds.
- At times, insecurity in some areas, particularly in FATA made access for CP sub-Cluster members difficult.



### **ADTF Taskforce**

With the aim of including persons with disabilities in the disaster risk reduction interventions of DRR and humanitarian actors, ADTF organized two training workshops in Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on disability inclusive disaster risk reduction. The three day each trainings was organized by ADTF to build the capacity of the DRR and humanitarian actors on disability inclusion in DRR so that there program interventions can ensure and contribute in building resilience and equipping capacities of persons with disabilities and entire communities to cope with disaster



situations . A total of 46 participants from 26 organizations were trained on the subject. The participants included humanitarian and DRR actors from protection and community restoration clusters, NHN, PHF and national DRR forum KP chapter. The ADTF master trainers pool included colleagues from Community Research and Development Organization (CRDO), National forum for women with disabilities (NFWWD) and State Development Organization (SDO) facilitated the training sessions. The training was possible with the moral and financial support of CBM International.

### **MHPSS Taskforce**

Mental Health and Psycho-Social Support Task Force is voluntarily led by Youth Resource Centre – YRC; a humanitarian organization with sufficient experience in MHPSS. Overall Coordination of Task force is managed by the Protection Cluster. In August 2015, during a Steering Committee Meeting, it was discussed and agreed that MHPSS task force will have slots in different clusters and sub clusters (especially GBV & CP Cluster and Education Cluster) for the purpose of mainstreaming MHPSS.

Since it was formed to strengthen and guide MHPSS programming in KP/FATA; a mapping exercise has been carried out and organizations who shared information requested for capacity building of their staff. Moreover, it was a step towards standardization of tools for providing psychosocial support.

### **Story from the field: Are They Children of a Lesser God?**

Mehrunisa 70 is a widow belongs to North Waziristan Agency (NWA), tehsil and village Mir Ali. She had two sons both married living in separate homes, but she was settled with the elder one who was a poor farmer. In order to support his family of seven including his mother, wife, three sons and two daughters he used to work hard in the fields and also bought a taxi car in order to earn more and enough to make ends meet but life still used to be tough and hard to survive.

Some four years ago he decided to go abroad to earn money. He sold his car and land property to get visa and other expenses. His preparations led his distant cousins to know that he has got some cash with him in his home at that point of time. In order to rob him for his money they storm his home during the night, finding resistance they shot him and his wife dead leaving his children orphan and at the mercy of his elderly mother.



**Mehrunisa residing with a host family in Bannu with her grandchildren**

Mehrunisa's younger son was ready to allow her mother to live with him but not the orphan children of his elder brother. She refused to live without her grandchildren. Amid the conflict in North Waziristan Agency, she and her grandchildren were displaced and moved to live in district Bannu with a host family at Union Council, Mamash Khel.



Mehrunisa with her three grandsons

Mehrunisa's miserable state of life along with her grandchildren was apparent when protection monitoring team of CERD visited her area some days ago.

Besides finding it hard to cope with everyday life with tender age grandchildren it was also found out that she had not registered by the authorities, had no CNIC card and therefore remains deprived from aid and assistance including food/ration packages and other support from authorities including both the government and humanitarian sector. Her orphan grandchildren are vulnerable to all sorts of protection issues including abuse, discrimination and health etc.

CERD team in the first place enlisted her for the formation of CNIC and started work on development of legal documents, the case of her grandchildren was discussed with Child Protection Unit but it came to our knowledge that due to budget constraints they can't provide any assistance. The case was also discussed with SABAWON for provision of water tank but it is still pending. Her miseries may never have an end but if any philanthropist and or organization come forward to take them out from this vicious circle and help alleviate her grievances.

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UN-Women (gender expertise)  
Pakistan Humanitarian Forum (PHF)  
National Humanitarian Network (NHN)