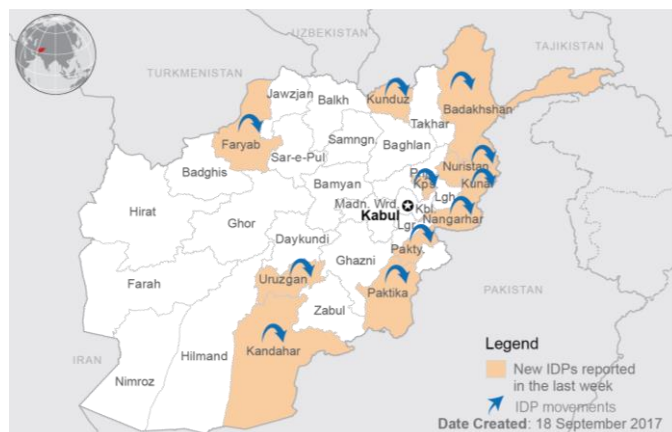


Week of 11 – 17 September 2017



Countrywide Conflict Displacement

From 1 January to 16 September 2017, 250,985 people have fled their homes due to conflict in Afghanistan. This is more than 21,000 people more than reported in the previous week, notably due to verification of earlier reports and assessments of displaced families.

The provinces sheltering the highest number of displaced people are Kunduz with 29,178 IDPs, Nangarhar with 27,959 IDPs and Badghis with 22,008 IDPs followed by Uruzgan with 17,062 IDPs.

Central: Conflict has reportedly displaced more than 1,400 people from several villages within Tagab district, Kapisa. The security situation in Janikhel district, Paktya, remains volatile and more than 2,600 displaced people have arrived in Gardez centre, Paktya, according to authorities. Fighting in Gomal district, Paktya, reportedly displaced some 350 people to neighbouring Sarobi and Urgan districts in the same province. In 2017, a total of 13,129 people have been verified as displaced in the Central Region, just over 5 per cent of the total displacement.

Northern/North Eastern: More than 2,100 people have been displaced by conflict from Sojani village in Chardarah district, Kunduz, to Kunduz City, according to authorities. Assessments in Ghormach, Faryab, verified the number of nearly 3,900 IDPs, the assessments continue. Since January, 97,060 people have been verified as displaced in the Northern and Northeastern regions, 39 per cent of this year's total.

Eastern: Nearly 3,000 people have been displaced from more than a dozen districts in Kunar, Nangarhar and Nuristan provinces according to authorities, due to intimidation by NSAGs and insecurity. The displaced families sheltered both in easily accessible and hard to access areas. Since January, 38,285 displaced people have been assessed in the Eastern Region, 15 per cent of the countrywide displacement in 2017.

Southern/South Eastern: Nearly 13,000 displaced people recently arrived in Tirinkot, Uruzgan, from several districts and some 7,700 people reportedly were displaced to Kandahar City from Shahwalikot and Nesh districts, Kandahar. These reports have not yet been verified. Some 54,707 people are currently displaced in the Southern and Southeastern regions, 22 per cent of the total displacements this year.

Western: No significant new displacements have been reported during the last week in Badghis, Ghor, Hirat and Farah provinces. In total, 40,804 people are currently displaced in the Western Region. They account for 19 per cent of the total displaced people across the country.

Returnees and Refugees

A total of 1,269 spontaneous returnees and 67 deportees arrived in Afghanistan from Pakistan, from 10 to 16 September, according to IOM. From Iran, 2,877 people returned spontaneously, and 15,354 were deported. This is a significant increase of returns of more than three times from Pakistan and more than double from Iran, compared to the previous week.

In the same period, 1,037 registered refugees returned to Afghanistan from Pakistan and 20 from Iran. Since January, UNHCR has assisted the return of 49,134 Afghan refugees to their home-country, more than 48,000

Ongoing Response Activities *(please also see page 2)*

During the past week, more than 26,000 displaced people, undocumented returnees and refugees received some form of humanitarian assistance across the country.

CR: In Pul-e-Alam, Logar, IRC and WFP supported 784 IDPs with cash for NFIs and food. In Khost Centre, Khost, 777 displaced people received food rations for two months from WFP and cash assistance from IRC for NFIs. In Ghazni Centre, Ghazni, DRC provided cash assistance to 588 displaced people. In Barmal district of Paktya, WFP distributed food to more than 9,400 refugees from Pakistan.

NR: On 14 September in Shiberghan city, Jawzjan, PIN, SCI, UNHCR and WFP distributed food for two months, hygiene kits, NFIs and cash assistance to more than 700 recently displaced people from Faryab and Jawzjan province.

ER: PU-AMI distributed cash assistance of AFN30,000 per family to 161 displaced people in Khaskunar, Nurgal and Sarkani, Kunar. In Nangarhar Province, WFP distributed cash for food to 3,948 people in Jalalabad City and in Surkhrod, Kama and Rodat districts, DRA and SCI distributed AFN6,000 for food to 224 undocumented returnees and WFP distributed food to 609 people from 87 families displaced to Jalalabad by flash floods. Health Cluster partners provided medical consultations to nearly 6,400 returnees or IDPs and vaccinated 1,300 children. The number of consultations has nearly tripled, in line with the peak of returnees from Pakistan.

SR: UNICEF, UNHCR and WFP distributed food rations, NFI kits and WASH items to 511 displaced people in Tirinkot City, Uruzgan, the first of more than 3,600 IDPs who will receive assistance in this distribution. In Kandahar, 250 IDPs received food, hygiene kits, WASH items, and cash from WFP, UNICEF and NRC.

WR: In Hirat City, Hirat, UNHCR distributed NFIs and hygiene kits to 623 people displaced in July and August and DRC-DDG will cover their food needs in the coming days. In Qala-e-Naw, Badghis, NRC provided AFN14,000 cash assistance to each 42 displaced people of 8 families, UNICEF added NFIs and hygiene kits and IRC provided them with WASH services and tents. The families had been displaced within Badghis in September.

Security Incidents and Access Constraints

NR: A physiotherapist of the ICRC was fatally shot by a patient at the organization's orthopedic rehabilitation centre in Mazar-e-Sharif on 11 September. This year, a total of 15 aid workers have been killed in Afghanistan.

WR: NRC has managed to negotiate access with the NSAG in control of the area to conduct assessments of displaced families in Balamurghab district, Badghis, where 14,000 people have reportedly been displaced mid-August.

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Humanitarian Response for Internally Displaced People (IDPs) in August and September 2017

Region	Cluster	Response Type	People assisted in Aug and Sep 2017	Partners	Newly Identified IDPs (People in need)	
					Aug - Sep 2017	2017
Capital	ESNFI	Cash	1,672	DRC, CARE, IRC	1,423	12,941
		Family kits	231	DRC		
	FSAC	Cash for food	906	DRC		
		Food Package	784	WFP		
	WASH	Hygiene kits	322	DACAAR		
Central Highland					160	188
Eastern	ESNFI	Cash	3,414	NRC, SCI, DRC, PU-AMI, OHW	1,944	38,285
		NFI Kits (Complete)	440	SHPOUL		
	FSAC	Cash for food	3,414	NRC, SCI, DRC, PU-AMI, OHW		
		Food Package	440	SHPOUL, WFP		
North Eastern	ESNFI	Cash	8,582	NRC, ACTED	3,691	65,491
		NFI Kits (Complete)	5,215	SCI, UNHCR		
	FSAC	Food Package	11,830	ANDMA, WFP		
		Hygiene kits	5,943	DACAAR		
Northern	ESNFI	NFI Kits (Complete)	924	UNHCR	9,177	35,286
		Cash	2,373	UNHCR		
	FSAC	Food Package	924	WFP		
		Unconditional cash	3,906	ACTED, UNHCR, WFP		
Souther Eastern	ESNFI	NFI Kits (Complete)	329	ANDMA	4,116	11,102
	FSAC	Food Package	1,050	ANDMA, OHD		
	Other	Unconditional cash	3,010	DRC, IRC, PIN, SI		
Southern	ESNFI	Cash	4,148	NRC, ACF, IRC	687	43,605
		NFI Kits (Complete)	4,292	UNHCR		
	FSAC	Food Package	8,440	WFP		
		Unconditional cash	1,718	ACF		
	WASH	Hygiene kits	4,835	DOPH, IRC, UNICEF		
		Other	4,583	UNICEF		
		Water containers	1,718	UNICEF		
Western	ESNFI	Blankets	232	UNHCR	11,895	40,897
		Cash	5,132	NRC, ACF, DRC, UNHCR		
		NFI Kits (Complete)	4,173	UNHCR, IRC, UNICEF		
		Tents	462	UNHCR, IRC		
	FSAC	Cash for food	3,908	NRC, ACF, DRC, WFP		
		Food Package	2,580	WFP		
	Health	Other	533	NRC		
	Other	Unconditional cash	14,589	NRC, ACF, DRC, ANDMA, IRC		
		Chlorine	1,289	IRC		
		Emergency latrines	703	IRC		
		Female hygiene kits	293	UNHCR		
		Hygiene education	2,152	ACF, UNHCR, IRC		
		Hygiene kits	4,424	ACF, UNHCR, IRC, UNICEF		
		Water treatment tablet	792	IRC		

Acronyms: ACF, Action Against Hunger | AA, Afghan Aid | AFN, Afghan afghani; 1,000 AFN ~ US\$14.60 | ANDMA, Afghanistan National Disaster Management Authority | ANSF, Afghan National Security Forces | ARCS, Afghan Red Crescent Society | CWSA, Community World Service Asia | DAC, District Administrative Centre | BPHS, Basic Package of Health Services | DACAAR, Danish Committee for Aid to Afghan Refugees | DoRR, Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation | DRA, Dutch Relief Alliance | DRC-DDG, Danish Refugee Council - Danish Demining Group | ICRC, International Committee of the Red Cross | IDP, Internally Displaced Person | IMC, International Medical Corps | IOM, International Organization for Migration | IRC, International Rescue Committee | NFI, Non-food item | NRC, Norwegian Refugee Council | NSAG, Non-State Armed Group | OCT, Operational Coordination Team | OHC, Organization for Humanitarian and Development | PIN, People In Need | PU-AMI, Première Urgence - Aide Médicale Internationale | SCI, Save the Children International | SHPOUL, Sound Humanitarian, Participatory & Organizational Uplift | SI, Solidarités International | SVA, Shanti Volunteer Association | UNHCR, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees | UNICEF, United Nations Children's Fund | WASH, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene | WFP, World Food Programme |

Data source: OCHA Displacement Tracking System (Please note: data available as of 16 September 2017, numbers are expected to change as more information becomes available). To calculate the number of people per family, the national average of seven family members is used.

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