

AFGHANISTAN

Weekly Humanitarian Update

(18 - 24 October 2021)

KEY FIGURES

IDPs IN 2021 (AS OF 25 OCTOBER)



677,832

People displaced by conflict (verified)



350,367

Received assistance

NATURAL DISASTERS IN 2021 (AS OF 25 OCTOBER)



28,014

Number of people affected by natural disasters

RETURNEES IN 2021 (AS OF 13 OCTOBER)



947,235

Returnees from Iran



13,326

Returnees from Pakistan



57

Returnees from other countries

HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE PLAN (HRP) REQUIREMENTS & FUNDING



868.7M

Requirements (US\$) – HRP 2021



542.3M

63% funded (US\$) in 2021

FLASH APPEAL 2021



606.3M

Requirements (US\$)



273.8M

45% funded (US\$) in 2021

AFGHANISTAN HUMANITARIAN FUND (AHF) 2021



93.79M

Contributions (US\$)



94.74M

Pledges (US\$)



60.61M

Expenditure (US\$)



45.84M

Available for allocation, including carry-over (US\$)



South: Ongoing preparation for winterization support

During the reporting period, 23 civilians including women and children were injured by abandoned Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) and Unexploded Ordnance (UXOs) in rural areas in Kandahar Province.

120 Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) who were previously displaced in Hilmand Province received household items, water, sanitation and hygiene supplies.

The winterization program started in all provinces in the south. Some 6,000 vulnerable families (approximately 42,000 people) will be reached, including returnees and undocumented returnees and people displaced by natural disasters. In Hilmand Province, additional needs assessments will target 2,000 vulnerable families (approximately 14,000 people) in Musa Qala, Sangin, Washir, Nawzad, Kajaki and Nahr-e-Saraj Districts; identified families will be included in the winterisation assistance programme.

North-east: Over 47,000 people receive food aid

In Badakhshan Province, 12 assessments teams are working to identify vulnerable people in Faizabad City to receive food assistance. Also, preparations are ongoing for winter support to people in need across the northeast.

A total of 903 returnees received household items in Takhar Province. An additional 9,681 people received household items and cash assistance in Badakhshan, Kunduz and Takhar Provinces. A total of 47,745 vulnerable people received food assistance under WFP's seasonal assistance programme in Baghlan, Kunduz, and Takhar provinces.

North: 1,904 people identified to receive humanitarian assistance

During the reporting period, 1,904 people displaced by conflict in August and returnees were identified by assessment teams to be in need of humanitarian assistance in Balkh, Faryab, Jawzjan, and Sar-e-Pul provinces. A total of 28,280 vulnerable people received food for one month under WFP's seasonal livelihoods support programme in Jawzjan and Sar-e-Pul provinces. A total of 10,787 people including displaced people and returnees received humanitarian assistance in Shiberghan City in Jawzjan Province and in Maymana City in Faryab Province.

East: Civilians injured by Improvised Explosive Devices

On 18 October, two civilians were reportedly injured by a roadside IED detonation in Jalalabad City in Nangarhar Province. In another incident also on 18 October, two civilians were reportedly injured when a UXO detonated in the Karapai area, Alishing District, Laghman Province.

A total of 8,350 families (approximately 58,450 people) will be reached with winter support in Nangarhar, Laghman, Kunar and Nuristan provinces. Needs assessments to identify people in need of winter support continue across the East. In addition, 8,000 families (approximately 56,000 people) are expected to receive cash assistance to help them cope with the winter in Nuristan Province.

A total of 10,262 vulnerable people among host communities were identified to receive food assistance as part of WFP's seasonal support programme in Nuristan, Nangarhar, Laghman, and Kunar provinces. A total of 82,516 people received food, water sanitation and hygiene supplies, including 1,155 IDPs, 301 people affected by natural disasters, 399 returnees at the Torkham Transit Centre, and 80,661 vulnerable people in Nangarhar, Laghman, Nuristan and Kunar provinces. A total of 12,246 returnees and IDPs received emergency outpatient health services and 924 children were vaccinated against polio and measles in the east.

West: 717 people identified to receive humanitarian assistance

In Farah Province, joint needs assessment teams identified 717 vulnerable people to receive food, household items and hygiene kits in the coming days.

Centre: Snowfall and road conditions expected to challenge aid delivery

During the reporting period, the Salang Pass which connects Kabul to the northern part of the country was closed for several hours due to snowfall. Also, snow is expected in the next month in Daykundi and Bamyan provinces particularly at high altitude which will impede road access on highways from Kabul to Nili Centre and to other districts.

A total of 3,493 people including vulnerable and internally displaced people received household items and cash assistance in Kabul, Daykundi and Bamyan provinces. In Kabul province, 122 families (approximately 854 people) who were displaced from Panjsher Province in September will receive food, household items, water, sanitation and hygiene supplies in the coming days. Needs assessments are ongoing for internally displaced people in Kapisa Province.

More than half the population will face acute food insecurity in 2021

The Food Security and Agriculture Cluster has warned that almost 23 million people in Afghanistan will face acute food insecurity starting as of November. 3.2 million children under the age of five are expected to suffer from acute malnutrition in remainder of 2021 and more than one in two Afghans will be facing crisis (IPC Phase 3) or emergency (IPC Phase 4) levels of acute food insecurity through the November 2021 to March 2022 lean season according to the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) report.

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