**SITUATION OVERVIEW**

Major humanitarian challenges persist. Violence committed by non-state armed groups, including those formed after the paramilitaries’ demobilization, continues to cause significant humanitarian and protection needs. Civilians in urban and rural areas alike continue to suffer the plight of forced displacement, restricted movement, limited access to basic goods and services, social and territorial control, gender-based violence, forced recruitment and use of children and adolescents, death threats, selective homicides and human rights violations.

**KEY FIGURES**

**People in need**

5.8 million

2013 - 2015

(total population: 48 M)

**Internally Displaced People**

More than 7.0 m.

1985 - 2015

2010 2012 2014 2015

180,725 221,096 238,368 219,087 126,184

**Affected by natural disasters**

558 thousand people affected 2015

Floods 43% 37% Droughts 20% Affected by other emergencies 2% 4%

**HCT Prioritized zones**

**4W funding as of March 2016**

**Contribution by donor according to FTS**

2016

27 million

Report date: 12 May 2016. All figures in million USD$

**FUNDING: HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE PLAN 2016**

$136.3 million

REQUESTED (US$)

17% FUNDED

$23 million*

RECEIVED (US$)*

Per cent funded by cluster

Funded million $  Unmet million $

Protection  37.8  23%  8.8  29.0

Food Security and nutrition  35.8  20%  7.1  28.7

WASH  17.6  27%  4.7  12.9

Early Recovery  13.8  19%  2.6  11.2

Health  15.0  8%  1.2  13.8

Education in emergencies  11.1  35%  3.9  7.2

Emergency Shelter  0.5  99%  0.5  0.0

*The sum of the budget per cluster is less than the total funding received due to 4W system includes coordination projects under the HRP
Colombia: Humanitarian Dashboard (as of 31 March 2016)

STRAIGHT OBJECTIVES
1. To provide an effective inter-sectoral, integral and complementary response to save lives
2. Reinforce protection of the rights of the most vulnerable populations
3. Increase the capacities of institutions and the resilience of at-risk communities

PROTECTION

4.1 million people in need

- Needs
  - Promote actions for the mitigation and response to protection risks and threats for boys and girls, survivors of gender-based violence and victims of UXO and landmines.
  - Implement strategies and protection actions with a durable solutions focus for people affected by the armed conflict and other forms of violence.
  - Influence the agendas of the government, donor countries and international communities in order to ensure a human rights based approach response for the victims of the armed conflict and other forms of violence.

- Response
  - Support the protection response to the current displacement situation in the Department of Chocó.
  - Meeting with the Working Group of Emergency in Education and the Minister of Education on the restricted access to education in Bolivar Department and subsequent field visit to Bolivar by the Minister of Education to address key protection concerns raised by the Protection Cluster.
  - Support the establishment of Local Coordination Teams, ensuring the centrality of protection and human rights based approach in its coordination structure and humanitarian response.
  - Protection Cluster Strategic Meetings held in order to adapt our strategy and protection response in a possible

FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

2.0 million people in need

- Needs
  - The FSN cluster identified 348,080 people (81,035 men, 101,538 women and 86,521 boys and girls) with the greatest needs who are not being assisted, or only being assisted partially, by official programmes.
  - In the following zones there were situations with serious humanitarian consequences: Chocó presented systematic displacement and movement restrictions; La Guajira suffers from prolonged drought with high levels of infant malnutrition; and Bajo Cauca in Antioquia has a major presence of armed actors.
  - We seek to provide opportune assistance focused on the most vulnerable population groups in affected communities, which include: indigenous and Afro-colombian populations, children under 5, pregnant and nursing mothers.

- Response
  - Management of a joint integrated project in La Guajira to respond to the humanitarian crisis of the Wayuu indigenous people, benefiting 900 families.
  - The Cluster supported diffusion and review of the Route for Integral Assistance to Food Security and Nutrition in Emergency Situations.
  - Advocacy with government organizations to advance in the characterization of ‘double affectation’ and response appropriate to this type of risk.

HEALTH

2.5 million people in need

- Needs
  - Implementation of community and institutional capacities to respond to needs of the population affected by conflict, natural disasters and/or public health emergencies.
  - Strengthening of prevention and promotion activities.

- Response
  - The cluster contributed to a reduction in gaps for healthcare services, linked to the Primary Healthcare Services strategy and strengthening institutional and community capacities, arriving in territories where the State due to the conflict has been unable.

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**WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE**

Response to the El Niño emergency, which was at its maximum intensity through January and February 2016. Response from the sector for a sanitary emergency related to the Zika virus, based on water storage actions directly related to vector reproduction.

- **Needs**
  - Management of financial resources to carry out WASH initiatives in areas prioritized with construction and/or rehabilitation of water distribution, storage and quality monitoring system, development of strategies for hygiene practices and access to improved sanitation.

- **Response**
  - Update to WASH response plan, WASH Cluster evaluation regarding its basic functions, update of sector workplan for 2016 and strengthening of actions for response to the sanitation emergency related to the Zika virus.

**EDUCATION IN EMERGENCIES**

Guaranteeing the right to education for children and adolescents in protected schools, reducing risks and impact caused by the armed conflict or natural disasters.

- **Needs**
  - More than 1 million children and adolescents in Colombia remain outside the school system.
  - More than 400 schools and approximately 800,000 children and adolescents in areas affected by the internal armed conflict or natural disasters who are at high risk of not access or deserting the school system.
  - Children from rural areas in Colombia who are at high risk of impact to their educational process due to displacement, the presence of APM UXO IEDs, and recruitment and use by armed groups. Likewise they are affected by floods, landslides and droughts that cause limited access to safe water in schools.

- **Response**
  - Implementation of a coordinated rapid response mechanism in educational emergencies in 15 departments and 80 municipalities, which have benefited about 30,000 children and adolescents and 1,500 teachers from over 500 schools.
  - Technical support for the development of education in emergency plans of 95 local secretaries of education in the country and of 360 school risk management plans.
  - Delivery of school, recreational and sports kits, rehabilitation of school infrastructure and installation of friendly spaces for children in over 500 schools in 20 departments, benefiting approximately 30,000 children.

**EARLY RECOVERY**

Victims of the conflict and those affected by natural disasters, increasing resilience through life saving and sustainable solutions.

- **Needs**
  - The recovery of livelihoods for 34,953 victims or at-risk, IDP and conflict or disaster-affected communities, through emergency rapid employment schemes and entrepreneurship activities.
  - The promotion of sustainable solutions and social cohesion with nearly 65,085 victims and host communities in emergency and transition
  - Early Recovery, peace building and transition to sustainable solutions prioritized by the Government and in the humanitarian community response.

- **Response**
  - Implementation of cash transfers for income generation and promotion of income generation activities for 8,920 victims of persons at-risk in emergency settings.
  - Increase coping ability and management of socio-environmental conflicts, climate risks and adaptation to climate change for 11,118 victims victims of disasters, emphasizing population with double affectation.
  - Increase sustainable solutions and social cohesion strategies including return and relocation of IDPs for nearly 50,470 victims and host communities.
  - Increase land restitution strategies for 14,249 victims of land dispossession.

**EMERGENCY SHELTER**

Strengthen the process of shelter system management with the authorities and local communities, taking into account the normalization of parameters agreed upon with the Government for natural disasters, replicable for conflict situations and considering a differential and gender-based focus for temporary shelters.

- **Needs**
  - Displacements of population affected by the armed conflict in southwestern Colombia including Urabá and Bajo Cauca regions; need exists for training and continuous interventions for shelter establishment.
  - Accompaniment and continuing monitoring of communities affected by the armed conflict in Chocó.

- **Response**
  - Provided technical assistance to communities and local authorities, particularly indigenous and afro-colombians, in the Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta and Chocó.
  - Infrastructure intervention, particularly improvements to group centres in Nariño.
  - Equipment with non-food items and their use, with a differential and gender-based focus, in affected communities.