

Week of 4 – 11 March 2018



Countrywide Conflict Displacement

According to OCHA's [Displacement Tracking System \(DTS\)](#), 30,672 people have been displaced by conflict since the beginning of the year. The provinces sheltering the highest number of displaced families are Kunduz with 13,615 IDPs, followed by neighbouring Takhar with 4,760 IDPs.

Central Region: In the past week, 1,680 people have reportedly newly arrived in Kabul from Logar, Kapisa, Wardak and Baghlan provinces due to an increase of armed conflict incidents with the end of winter. Nearly 2,500 people have reportedly been displaced to four districts of Parwan Province from Kapisa, Laghman, Nuristan and Samangan provinces due to armed conflict in their villages.

Northern/North Eastern: No significant displacements have been signalled from the two regions during the reporting period.

Eastern: No new significant displacements have been reported from the Eastern Region in the past week. Following an inter-agency needs assessment in Alingar and Mehtarlam districts of Laghman Province, more than 3,000 people or 800 families recently displaced by conflict were identified for humanitarian assistance. The families had been displaced in the last week of February due to clashes between armed groups, followed by clearing operations by Afghan military forces.

Southern/South Eastern: No significant displacements have been reported from the Southern and South Eastern regions.

Western: According to initial reports, some 450 displaced people arrived in Hirat City from within the province and from Faryab and Badghis provinces. Nearly 300 people reportedly arrived in Qalae-Naw from within Badghis Province and more than 550 people were displaced to Farah City from Farah Province.

Natural Disasters and Health Alerts

More than 850 people were affected by a flash flood in Farah Province. WFP provided food and DRC-DDG provided cash to 32 severely affected families or 224 people. In Kunar, IMC distributed NFIs including two tents to 35 people of 5 families affected by rainfall in Watapur and Dara-e-Pec districts.

Authorities in Wardak Province reported a potential outbreak of bird influenza with poultry and reportedly culled more than 100 animals from private, small scale poultry farms. Avian Influenza is recurrent in Afghanistan with the last outbreak reported from the Western Region a month ago, where 140,000 animals were culled in commercial farms.

Returns to Afghanistan

Since the beginning of the year, 126 refugees from Iran have been repatriated by UNHCR, 6 from Pakistan and 48 from other countries. The number of refugees returning from Pakistan is expected to rise, as UNHCR resumed its voluntary repatriation programme on 1 March after the regular winter pause

Ongoing Response Activities (please also see page 2)

During the past week, more than 20,000 displaced people, returnees, refugees and host families received some form of humanitarian assistance across the country.

CR: In Gardez City, Paktya, PIN distributed cash assistance to 700 IDPs and WFP supplied them with two monthly food rations. In Kabul, DRC-DDG provided 530 recently displaced IDPs with cash and Islamic Relief distributed firewood, food and blankets to 2,300 people.

NR/NER: In Faryab, 2,520 IDPs received food from WFP and emergency household items from UNICEF. In Samangan, nearly 380 IDPs received food from WFP, NFIs from UNHCR and PIN provided them with cash assistance and DACAAR with hygiene kits. In Sar-e-Pul, more than 300 IDPs received cash from NRC, NFIs from UNHCR and food from WFP. In Kunduz City, 77 conflict IDPs were supported with cash assistance from ACTED, food from WFP, NFIs from UNCHR and shelter material from NRC and hygiene kits from SCI.

ER: NRC distributed NFIs to 160 and cash for NFIs to 150 displaced people in Behsud, Surkhrod and Jalalabad districts, Nangarhar. UNICEF distributed hygiene and winter kits to 385 returnees from Pakistan at the Torkham border crossing. SVA distributed winter and kitchen kits to 910 returnees in Kama district, Nangarhar province. Partners of the Health Cluster provided consultations for nearly 2,800 returnees from Pakistan or IDPs and vaccinated more than 450 children.

SR: In Kandahar City, 820 displaced people received food from WFP, cash assistance from NRC, NFI kits from SCI and WASH and hygiene kits from UNICEF and DACAAR built latrines for 33 families. In Bolan/Lashkargah, Hilmand, more than 1,400 IDPs were supported with cash assistance by ACF and NFIs from UNICEF and UNHCR.

WR: In the past week, WFP distributed food to more than 3,000 IDPs in Badghis, Farah, Ghor and Hirat provinces. In addition, in Hirat, DRC-DDG provided 300 IDPs with cash and NRC provided more than 420 IDPs with NFIs and winter kits and more than 300 IDPs with hygiene kits. Further, IRC distributed chlorine to nearly 250 IDPs and DACAAR provided nearly 130 IDPs with chlorine and hygiene kits. In Badghis, 670 IDPs received winter kits from UNICEF, UNHCR distributed NFIs and hygiene kits to more than 600 IDPs and IRC distributed cash assistance to 245 IDPs. In Farah, DRC-DDG distributed cash to 880 IDPs, UNICEF added NFI kits and DACAAR WASH kits. In Ghor, ANDMA and Afghan Aid distributed food and NFIs to 400 people displaced to Chaghcharan City by the ongoing dry spell.
















































Security Incidents and Access Constraints

In the night from 7 to 8 March, members of an armed group mounted a complex attack on the police station in Spinboldak district, Kandahar. Civilian traffic resumed in the morning and the incident did not affect the humanitarian activities at the border crossing with Pakistan.

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Humanitarian Response for Internally Displaced People (IDPs) in February and March 2018

Region	Cluster	Response Type	People assisted in Feb and Mar 2018		Partners	Newly Identified IDPs (People in need)	
						Feb and Mar 2018	Since Jan 2018
Capital	ESNFI	Cash	1,491		ACF, DACAAR, UNICEF	532	2,240
	FSAC	Family kits	959		ACF, DRC		
	WASH	NFI Kits (Complete)	609		ACF, DRC, NRC		
Eastern	ESNFI	Cash	264		ACF		264
	FSAC	Cash for food	264		ACF, NRC		
North Eastern	ESNFI	Blankets	6,608		ACTED, NRC	12,215	21,042
		Cash	10,563		ACTED		
		NFI Kits (Complete)	8,064		DRC		
	FSAC	Food Package	10,563		DRC		
	WASH	Hygiene kits	9,541		DRC, CARE, PIN		
Northern	ESNFI	NFI Kits (Complete)	3,388		DRC, IRC	1,204	2,791
	FSAC	Cash for food	574		DRC, IRC		
		Food Package	2,814		DRC, PIN, SI		
	Other	Unconditional cash	2,597		DRC		
South Eastern	FSAC	Food Package	700		DRC, UNICEF		238
	Other	Unconditional cash	1,771		DACAAR, NRC, UNICEF		
	WASH	Hygiene kits	1,071		DACAAR, IRC		
Southern	ESNFI	Blankets	2,583		DACAAR, IRC	3,577	74
		Cash	1,147		DACAAR, SI		
		Family kits	2,583		DACAAR		
		NFI Kits (Complete)	6,218		DACAAR, UNICEF		
		Tents	21		DACAAR, SCI		
		Winter Kit	6,995		CARE, UNHCR, UNICEF		
	FSAC	Cash for food	6,256		ARCS, NRC, SCI, UNHCR, UNICEF		
		Food Package	3,120		HRDA, SCI, UNHCR		
	Other	Unconditional cash	6,523		HRDA, WFP		
	WASH	Emergency latrines	2,361		IRC		
		Hygiene education	6,523		IRC		
		Hygiene kits	6,523		IRC		
		Other	6,523		NRC, UNHCR, UNICEF		
		Water containers	6,523		NRC, UNICEF		
		Water treatment tablet	6,523		OHD		
Western	ESNFI	Cash	964		SCI, UNICEF	4,313	4,023
		NFI Kits (Complete)	2942		UNHCR		
		Tents	12		UNHCR		
		Winter Kit	968		UNHCR, UNICEF		
	FSAC	Cash for food	2193		UNICEF		
		Food Package	1847		UNICEF		
		FSAC	812		UNICEF		
	Other	Other	4060		UNICEF		
		Unconditional cash	8852		UNICEF		
	WASH	Chlorine	3390		UNICEF		
		Emergency latrines	282		WFP		
		Female hygiene kits	952		WFP		
		Hygiene education	3495		WFP		
		Hygiene kits	2994		WFP		
		Water treatment tablet	192		WFP		

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 22 February 2018, 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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