

Key issues in the past week:

- Humanitarian actors are facing increasing demands of illegal taxation by NSAGs.
- The security situation in Malistan and Juguri of Ghazni province has improved. However, some local residents feel traumatized by the recent conflict.
- A total of 301,000 people have been verified as having been displaced by conflict in 2018.

19,500

New IDPs reported in the past week

271,900

People assisted in the past week

301,300

Total verified IDPs in 2018



Provinces with conflict displacement in the past week, according to initial reports.

Countrywide conflict displacement

A total of 301,341 people have been verified as having been displaced by conflict in 2018, according to OCHA's Displacement Tracking System (DTS), an increase of 11,474 on the previous week's total. Overall, the number of people displaced so far is 37% less than the same period last year (481,448).

Conflict Displacement Alerts (see map & remark on p.2)

Alerts of conflict displacement are shared based on initial information received from the ground. Numbers can change as more information becomes available.

Central Region:

Reports suggest that there are about 500 – 600 families internally displaced within Malistan and Jaghori districts in Ghazni province. The harsh winter conditions are a major challenge for the returning IDPs. In Bamiyan, the unverified figure of IDP families in Bamiyan Center rose from 930 to 1,225. In Ghazni, the number of registered and unverified IDPs as per DoRR stands at 2,511 families as of 20 November 2018. In Kabul, there are 1,720 reported and unverified IDP families, according to DoRR.

Western Region: DoRR Herat reported displacement of 80 conflict-affected IDPs from Malistan and Jaghori districts.

Southern Region:

DoRR in Uruzgan and Nimroz through separate letters have informed OCHA about approximately 7,000 families in urgent need of winterization assistance (clothing, fuel and food). DoRR Zabul informed OCHA about 20 families displaced from Mizana (Zabul), Jaghori and Malistan (Ghazni) to Qalat. DoRR in Hilmand has informed about 229 IDP families who arrived in Lashkargah from Nad-e-Ali as a result of ongoing fighting.

Drought:

A first batch of 15,000 tents were delivered to Herat on 24 November. UNHCR and its partners will distribute the tents to the displaced population in Herat and Badghis who are in need of shelter.

IOM with the support of USAID also received NFIs for 10,000 households. The distribution of NFIs is underway in

Herat and will commence shortly in Badghis among drought-displaced households.

There has been no progress yet to allocate government-owned land for the relocation of the drought-displaced people in Herat and Badghis provinces.

Returns to Afghanistan

From 18 November to 24 November, 17,609 Afghan citizens returned to their home country. According to UNHCR, 119 Afghan refugees returned voluntarily from Pakistan and 23 from Iran. According to IOM, 432 Afghan citizens returned from Pakistan on their own and four were deported; from Iran, 8,414 returned on their own and 8,617 were deported.

Security Incidents and Humanitarian Access

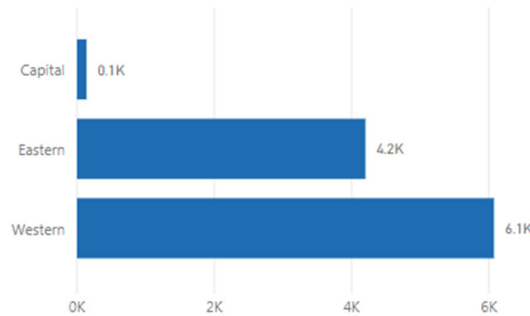
There is increasing evidence that in different parts of the country demands by NSAGs for illegal taxation from humanitarian agencies are becoming more formalized. Such demands violate humanitarian principles and cause delays in responding to life-saving needs of the affected people.

In Faryab, most parts of the highway between Andkhoy and Maymana, as well as Maymana and Ghormach districts are under the control of NSAGs. As a result, inter-agency assessment teams cannot travel to most districts in Faryab province.

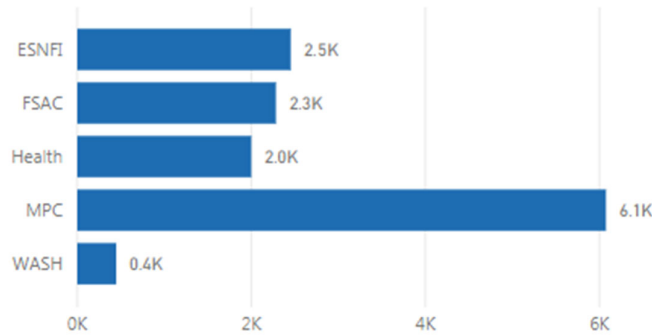
Ongoing Response Activities (see page 2 for details)

During the past week, some 270,951 people affected by conflict and natural disasters, including drought, as well as returnees received humanitarian assistance. Assistance provided includes cash, food, personal hygiene kits for families and women, emergency household items, emergency shelter as well as sanitation services and provision of sustained access to safe drinking water. Activities were undertaken in Ghazni, Badghis, Faryab, Ghor, Herat, Kunar, Baghlan, Balkh, and Nangarhar provinces by humanitarian partners, including ACF, ACTED, ANDMA, CARE, CRS, DACCAR, DRC, IMC, IRC, NRC, UNICEF, UNMAS, and WFP.

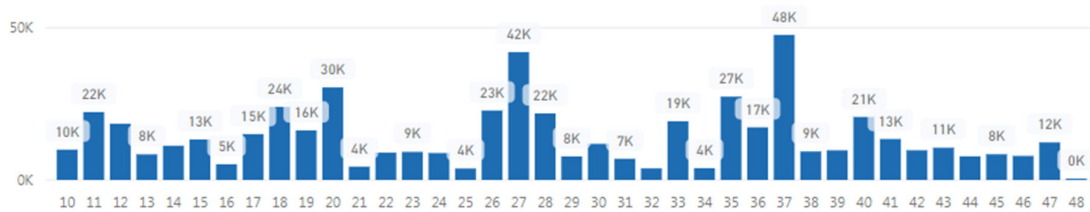
IDPs Reached with Assistance by Region



IDPs assisted this week



IDPs assisted by week in 2018



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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 | COAR, Coordination of Afghan Relief | 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 | DRRD, Department for Rural Rehabilitation and Development | ESNFI, Emergency Shelter & NFI Cluster | FSAC, Food Security & Agriculture Cluster | HI, Handicap International | HRDA, Human Resource Development Agency | ICRC, International Committee of the Red Cross | IDP, Internally Displaced Person | IED, improvised explosive device | IFRC, International Federation of Red Cross And Red Crescent | IMC, International Medical Corps | IOM, International Organization for Migration | IRC, International Rescue Committee | NFI, Non-food item | NCRO, New Consultancy and Relief Organization | NRC, Norwegian Refugee Council | MPC, multi-purpose cash assistance | OCT, Operational Coordination Team | OHD, Organization for Humanitarian and Development | OHW, Organization of Human Welfare | PIN, People In Need | PU-AMI, Première Urgence - Aide Médicale Internationale | RI, Relief International | SCI, Save the Children International | SHPOUL, Sound Humanitarian, Participatory & Organizational Uplift | SI, Solidarités Internationale | SVA, Shanti Volunteer Association | UNHCR, Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees | UNICEF, UN Children's Fund | UNMAS, UN Mine Action Service | WASH, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene | WFP, World Food Programme | WHH, Welthungerhilfe |

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