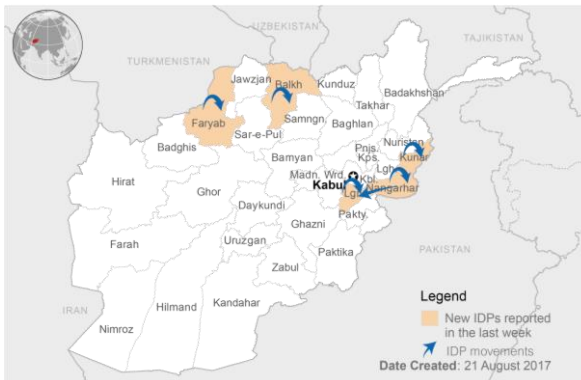


Week of 14 – 20 August 2017



Countrywide Conflict Displacement

From January to mid-August, 202,109 people fled their homes due to conflict, up by more than 9,000 people compared to the previous week. A total of 30 out of 34 provinces had recorded some level of forced displacement. More than 32,000 displaced people have sought refuge in hard to reach areas.

Central: Some 840 displaced people reportedly arrived in Mohammadagha district, Logar, from different villages in Chaparhar district, Nangarhar. Around 700 people were displaced from Barakibarak to Pul-e-Alam, both in Logar. In 2017, a total of 11,588 people have been verified as displaced to the Central Region, just over 5 per cent of the total displacement.

Northern/North Eastern: Around 700 people have reportedly been displaced from Chintal to Dehdadi district, Balkh, verification is ongoing. Since January, more than 88,000 people have been verified as displaced in the two regions, 44 per cent of this year's total displacement across the country.

Eastern: Authorities reported the new displacement of around 1,500 people from seven districts in Kunar and three districts in Nangarhar provinces. As in the previous weeks, insecurity and intimidation by NSAG are the reasons for these displacements. Since January, 34,989 displaced people have been assessed in the Eastern Region – per cent of the total displacement in 2017.

Southern/South Eastern: No significant new displacements have been reported in the previous week from the southern and south-eastern regions. Joint assessments of displaced families are being conducted in Hilmand, Kandahar, Uruzgan and Zabul provinces. More than 43,000 people are currently displaced in the Southern and South Eastern Region, 22 per cent of the total displacements this year country-wide.

Western: No new significant displacements have been recorded during the reporting period. Assessments and verification are ongoing in Hirat City, Farah City, in Badghis and Ghor provinces. In total, some 22,000 people are currently displaced in the Western Region. They account for 12 per cent of the total displaced people across the country.

Returnees and Refugees

Some 849 spontaneous returnees and 56 deportees arrived in Afghanistan from Pakistan, according to IOM from 13 to 19 August. From Iran, 3,708 people returned spontaneously and 6,540 were deported. In total, 307,523 undocumented returnees have returned to Afghanistan in 2017, 82,191 from Pakistan and 225,332 from Iran.

Also from 13 to 19 August, 957 registered refugees returned

to Afghanistan, 865 from Pakistan, 84 from Iran and 8 from other countries, as reported by UNHCR. Since January, UNHCR has assisted the return of 46,148 registered Afghan refugees to their home-country, more than 45,000 of them from Pakistan.

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

From 1 January 2017 to 30 July 2017, nearly 225,000 displaced people were provided humanitarian assistance in 33 provinces and 95 districts across the country.

Central: In Ghanzani centre, DRC distributed AFN18,000 (US\$262) cash assistance per family to a total of 588 displaced people to pay for food, household items and health services. WFP distributed food to 7,000 refugees from Pakistan in Khost province.

North/North Eastern: On 13 August in Sar-e-Pul City, more than 2,000 displaced people from Mirzawolang, Sar-e-Pul, received cash assistance from NRC, household items from SCI, food rations from WFP and female dignity kits from UNICEF. In Taloqan, Takhar, ACTED distributed cash to 483 people and UNHCR distributed emergency household items to 910 displaced people. In Faizabad City, WFP distributed food to 280 displaced people.

Eastern: During the reporting period, DRC/DDG distributed multipurpose cash AFN30,000 (\$436) to 47 families each with 329 family members in Metharlam, Laghman; DRA/ZOA-SHPOUL distributed food and NFIs to 1,050 displaced people three districts of Nangarhar province and NRC provided 637 displaced people with cash and hygiene kits in Rodat, Nangarhar. WFP distributed cash for food to nearly 5,500 undocumented returnees from Pakistan in Behsud, Nangarhar, and CWSA provided cash for food for 336 IDPs in Nangarhar and Laghman; SVI distributed food and emergency household items to 3,122 undocumented returnees in Behsud, Nangarhar. Nearly 4,200 undocumented returnees received outpatient treatment through partners of the Health Cluster when they crossed into Afghanistan, 1,439 children were vaccinated. Nearly 600 returnees received reproductive health services through UNFPA/AADA.

Western: In Hirat City and Farah City, NRC and WFP provided 714 conflict-induced IDPs with cash and food for two months. In Qala-e-Naw, Badghis, NRC and IRC distributed cash total of AFN20,000 (\$291) to 605 IDPs. The Government has allocated AFN15,000,000 (US\$ 220,588) to assist families whose houses have been damaged or destroyed by fighting in Taywara district centre, Ghor. Families whose house has been destroyed will receive AFN15,000 (\$220), those with damaged houses AFN5,000 (\$73). More than 160 houses were reportedly destroyed, 117 damaged.

Access Constraints and Security Incidents

Northern: Access to Ghormach district, Badghis, is very challenging, due to remoteness, ongoing clashes and mines along the road from Maymana. Only the NGO providing health services (BPHS) in Ghormach is currently operational in the zone.

Key dates & meetings

CR: Kabul, HRT-meeting, 25 August
 NR: Faryab, OCT-meeting on Ghormach, 22 August
 WR: Regional WASH Cluster, 24 August

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

Region	Cluster	Response Type	People assisted in July and August 2017	Partners	Newly Identified IDPs	
					July - Aug 2017	2017
Capital	ESNFI	Cash	1,196	DRC, CARE	780	11,588
		Family kits	2,765	SI		
	FSAC	Cash for food	644	DRC		
		Food Package	2,765	WFP		
	Other	Unconditional cash	416	DRC		
WASH	Hygiene kits	322	DACAAR			
Central Highland						28
Eastern	ESNFI	Cash	1,781	SCI, NRC, DRC, PU-AMI, APA, DORR, I	2,457	34,989
		NFI Kits (Complete)	5,909	SCI, UNHCR, APA, SHPOUL, UNICEF		
	FSAC	Cash for food	1,060	SCI, NRC, DRC, PU-AMI, APA, DORR		
		Food Package	6,623	SCI, WFP, ANDMA, SHPOUL		
North Eastern	ESNFI	Cash	9,492	NRC, ACTED	12,112	58,775
		NFI Kits (Complete)	5,838	SCI, UNHCR		
	FSAC	Food Package	10,934	WFP		
	WASH	Hygiene kits	7,651	DACAAR		
Northern	ESNFI	NFI Kits (Complete)	3,437	SCI, UNHCR	7,609	29,315
		Unconditional cash	2,660	WFP, UNHCR		
	FSAC	Food Package	2,842	WFP		
	Other	Unconditional cash	5,033	NRC, ACTED, CARE, PIN		
	WASH	Hygiene kits	749	SCI, DACAAR		
Souther Eastern					1,701	7,819
Southern	ESNFI	Cash	728	NRC	4,077	35,946
		NFI Kits (Complete)	2,326	UNHCR		
	FSAC	Food Package	3,054	WFP		
	WASH	Hygiene kits	728	DOPH		
		Other	1,312	UNICEF		
		Water treatment tablet	1,742	UNICEF		
Western	ESNFI	Blankets	756	UNHCR	8,167	23,649
		Cash	5,045	NRC, ACF, DRC		
		NFI Kits (Complete)	5,750	UNHCR, IRC, UNICEF		
		Plastic Sheets	416	UNHCR		
		Tents	245	IRC		
	FSAC	Cash for food	6,039	WFP, NRC, ACF, DRC		
		Food Package	2,107	WFP		
	Health	Other	1,378	NRC, ACF		
	Other	Unconditional cash	8,164	NRC, ACF, DRC		
	WASH	Chlorine	2,148	DACAAR, IRC		
		Emergency latrines	49	IRC		
		Female hygiene kits	98	UNHCR		
		Hygiene education	2,725	ACF, UNHCR, DACAAR, IRC		
		Hygiene kits	5,950	ACF, UNHCR, DACAAR, IRC, UNICEF		
		Water provision (bottled or trucking)	672	DACAAR		
		Water treatment tablet	533	IRC		

Acronyms: ACF, Action Against Hunger | AA, Afghan Aid | AFN, Afghan afghani | 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 | IDP, Internally Displaced Person | 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 | PIN, People In Need | PU-AMI, Première Urgence - Aide Médicale Internationale | SCI, Save the Children International | SHPOUL, Sound Humanitarian, Participatory & Organizational Uplift | SVA, Shanti Volunteer Association | UNHCR, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees | UNICEF, United Nations Children's Fund | WFP, World Food Programme |

Data source: OCHA Displacement Tracking System (Please note: data available as 13 August 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.

Translations: This report will be made available in Dari and Pashto as soon as possible.

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