



HIGHLIGHTS

- WHO is the only UN Agency providing assistance in Jawf, having dispatched medical supplies and two mobile health units. The health department there has been distributing these supplies to IDPs and health facilities in communities hosting IDPs.
- Despite cease-fire announcements, fighting continues in Sa'ada, exacerbating humanitarian crisis facing IDPs and host communities.
- WHO-supported mobile health units consisting of a physician, midwife and laboratory technician have been providing treatment to people in multiple areas.
- In Jawf Governorate and Amran governorate's Harf Sufyan area, mobile health teams found that the most common health conditions among IDPs they treated are diarrheal diseases, acute respiratory infections, malnutrition, malaria and skin diseases. The teams also highlighted urgent needs for shelter and food for IDPs.



HEALTH IMPACT

- There are no reports of disease outbreaks to date.
- In the Al-Matma district in Jawf governorate, 103 people, mostly women and children, were treated for a variety of common diseases, according to a WHO-supported mobile medical team that visited the area on 3 September.
- Diarrhoeal disease, acute respiratory infections, malnutrition, malaria and skin diseases are the most common health conditions detected by a mobile health team among the some 700 IDPs in Al-Mabda'a and Al-Batna areas in Jawf governorate and near Harf Sufyan in Amran governorate.

HEALTH SECTOR RESPONSE

- From 7-9 September, a rapid assessment of the nutritional status of children under-five inside and outside camps is being conducted by the Ministry of Health, UNICEF and other partners. Nutritional supplies and equipment are already pre-positioned in Haradh and 57 health workers and trained volunteers are available to treat severe acute malnourished children once cases are identified through the rapid assessment.
- At a high-level meeting of UN and international NGOs chaired by the Minister of Public Health on 6 September, it was decided to send a joint-UN mission to the Sa'ada Governorate town of Baqim from the Saudi Arabian side of the border to assess the situation of IDPs and provide assistance. WFP, UNHCR, WHO and UNDSS were selected to participate.
- On 6 September, the UN Resident Coordinator organized a donor meeting with UN and other humanitarian agencies to present to the Yemen Flash Appeal launched on 2 September.

- A joint-UN-government team, including WHO, WFOP, UNICEF and IOM, visited Hajjah Governorate to assess the ongoing relief operation in Al-Mazrak area.

WHO RESPONSE

Jawf Governorate

- In Jawf Governorate during 2-7 September, WHO-supported mobile health units treated 582 people, mostly for diarrhoea, acute respiratory illnesses, malnutrition, skin diseases and malaria. WHO, in collaboration with the MoPH&P, has dispatched 5 tons of medicines (antibiotics, oral rehydration salts, drugs for common diseases) that can support 10 000 IDPs and host community members for one month. The mobile teams visited IDPs in Al-Matamma, Al-Homaidat and Barat Al-Marashi.

Sa'ada Governorate

- WHO is locally procuring laboratory supplies and reagents for Al-Jomhori hospital in Sa'ada City per a MoPH&P request. The supplies will be used for safe blood transfusion and testing for HIV, Hepatitis, and blood cross matching.

Hajjah Governorate

- A joint-UN-government team, including WHO, WFOP, UNICEF and IOM, visited Hajjah Governorate to assess the ongoing relief operation in Al-Mazrak area where an IDP camp has been established.
- At Al-Mazrak IDP camp, health services provided by a WHO-supported mobile unit are among a range of humanitarian activities being delivered to displaced people.
- WHO and the local health authority have agreed on a range of measures to strengthen the health response to the IDP crisis, including:
 - The local authority will provide two large size tents for the health unit in the camp.
 - WHO and the Ministry of Public Health and Population (MoPH&P) have deployed more medical staff (two physicians and four nurses) to the health unit.
 - WHO will provide a generator for the health unit to provide electricity and air-conditioning.
 - The mobile units will continue operation and provide services to people outside the camp as well as referral services to the severely ill displaced people.
 - Diagnostic and treatment capacity of existing health facilities in IDP-hosting areas will be enhanced.

NEEDS

- In the Yemen Flash Appeal launched on 2 September, the World Health Organization, on behalf of the Health Cluster, has requested US\$ 2.3 million to provide emergency health care to the 150 000 who have been displaced and 800 000 people indirectly affected by the conflict.

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