



YEMEN CRISIS REGIONAL RESPONSE

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IOM health teams carrying out consultations for communities affected by Tropical Cyclones Chapala and Megh, Socotra Island. © IOM 2015 (Photo: IOM Yemen)

Highlights

■ Since April, 53,269 IDPs and conflict-affected persons in Abyan, Aden, Al Dhale'e, Hajjah, Al Hudaydah, Sana'a, Shabwah and Socotra Island have been provided with health assistance including emergency and primary health care.

■ IOM continues to provide life-saving assistance in response to Cyclones Chapala and Megh. Distribution of shelter and non-food items kits, and provision of health assistance and water trucking services to IDPs and affected communities in Socotra Island, Abyan and Shabwah continues.

■ As of 2 December, over 70,700 people have arrived in Djibouti, Somalia, Ethiopia and Sudan from Yemen. To date, over 23,000 individuals have received post-arrival assistance from IOM.

Situation Overview

Instability and violence continue across the country. Twenty of Yemen's 22 governorates are directly affected by airstrikes, armed clashes, and shelling. The Yemen humanitarian crisis has been identified by the United Nations as one of the world's worst, with 80% of the country's population on the brink of famine.

On 2 December, the British Ambassador to the United Nations Matthew Rycroft told reporters that the UN-brokered peace talks for Yemen are expected to finally open in Geneva in mid-December. Peace talks were expected to begin mid-November, after Houthi representatives announced their willingness to accept the UN Security Council Resolution calling for Houthi withdrawal from seized territories. UN envoy Ismail Ould Cheikh Ahmed has been holding talks for weeks with all sides to try to launch peace talks. However, no date has been announced for the formal negotiations.

In response to Tropical Cyclones Chapala and Megh, the Logistics Cluster, through UNHAS, has facilitated two airlifts from Nairobi to Djibouti on behalf of IOM. The cargo consists of 48.1 metric tons of shelter, protection and WASH items, which will be airlifted from Djibouti to Socotra over a total of three rotations.

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IOM RESPONSE

HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES IN YEMEN

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

Since the start of the conflict, 194,230 individuals (81,577 women, 87,403 men, 13,596 girls, and 11,654 boys) have benefitted from IOM's WASH activities in Abyan, Aden, Al Dhale'e, Al Jawf, Hadhramaut, Ibb, Lahj, Sana'a, and Shabwah.



IOM's water trucking services in Lahj governorate.

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Aden

Between 26 November and 2 December, IOM trucked 4,000 liters of water to Al Jumhooria Hospital in Khur Maksar district, reaching approximately 133 individuals.

Abyan

During the reporting period, IOM provided a total of 363,000 liters of water on a daily basis to 60 sites in Khanfir, Lawder and Zinjubar districts, benefitting 25,120 individuals. IOM also trucked 3,200 liters of water to Lawder Hospital, reaching 160 individuals. In addition, IOM distributed 4,000 liters of water on a daily basis to Ahwar Hospital in Ahwar district. Furthermore, in response to a request from the Local Corporation for Water and Sanitation to replace eight non-functional submersible water pumps for eight wells located in Khanfir and Zinjubar, IOM procured three additional water pumps, which will be installed in both districts in the coming week. IOM has already installed five submersible pumps in five locations in the two districts.

Al Dhale'e

In the past week, IOM distributed 12,000 liters of water on a daily basis to Al Nasr Hospital in Al Dhale'e city, and trucked a total of 136,000 liters of water to 24 sites in Al Dhale'e city and Al Hussein district, benefitting 9,074 individuals.

Lahj

During the reporting period, IOM provided 84,000 liters of water to seven sites in Al Hawtah district for the benefit of 5,867 individuals.

On 21 November, the General Corporation for Water and Sanitation in Lahj approached IOM and requested assistance in replacing seven nonfunctional water pumps in Toban district. So far, IOM has procured and installed one pump, and will carry out the installation of the remaining pumps in the coming weeks. A total of 34,000 individuals are expected to benefit from this intervention.

Shabwah

In the past week, IOM provided 20,000 liters of water to Ataq Hospital and its kidney dialysis center, benefitting 750 individuals. Additionally, in Mayfa'a district, IOM trucked 25,000 liters of water to Azzan Hospital and its kidney dialysis center as well as a neighboring health facility, reaching 530 individuals.

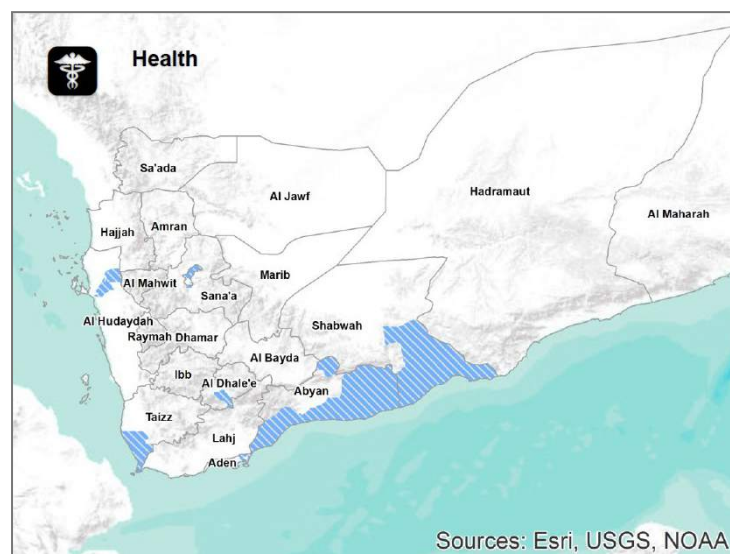
Furthermore, IOM distributed a total of 93,000 liters of water on a daily basis to four sites in Ataq and Mayfa'a districts, reaching 4,266 individuals.

Taizz

IOM continues to provide 24,000 liters of water on a daily basis, reaching 3,000 individuals in Al Qahira and Al Mudhaffar districts.

Health

Since April, 53,269 IDPs and conflict-affected persons in Abyan, Aden, Al Dhale'e, Hajjah, Al Hudaydah, Sana'a, Shabwah and Socotra Island have been provided with health assistance including emergency and primary health care including treatment of diseases and injuries, reproductive health services, Mental Health and Psychosocial support (MHPSS), health promotion, and treatment of acute malnutrition.



Sources: Esri, USGS, NOAA

Moreover, IOM continues providing primary, secondary and tertiary health care to vulnerable migrants. Since the beginning of the crisis, 8,442 vulnerable migrants in Aden, Al Hudaydah and Sana'a have benefitted from IOM's health assistance.

Sana'a

During the reporting period, IOM provided primary health care to 229 IDPs (79 women, 49 men, 55 girls and 46 boys) hosted in schools. Additionally, 28 individuals received psychosocial support through psycho-education, group counselling, group discussions and recreational activities. Furthermore, 106 individuals (10 women, 32 men, 19 girls and 45 boys) attended with health awareness sessions in the area.

Al Hudaydah

IOM is providing primary health care to IDPs in Al Hudaydah through two mobile clinics. In the past week, health care was provided to 682 IDPs (177 women, 163 men, 180 girls and 162 boys).

Assistance to Migrants in Yemen

Sana'a

On 2 December, as part of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence campaign, IOM's Assistance and Protection team conducted an awareness-raising session for eight Ethiopian migrants (all males) currently hosted by a foster family. The team presented a discourse about the importance of education and irregular migration and its effects on migrants' education. During the session, posters, booklets and snacks were distributed among the migrants.

Aden

Between 26 November and 2 December 2015, IOM registered and screened 45 Ethiopian migrants (37 men and 8 boys) at the Migrant Response Point (MRP) in Al Basateen. Additionally, on 25 November and 1 December, two awareness-raising sessions were conducted in the MRP about the situation in Yemen and the ongoing conflict. Twenty nine Ethiopian migrants (12 men and 17 boys) were reached through the sessions; 80% the migrants were not aware of the conflict in Yemen, and approximately 90% of them were planning to continue their trip to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Moreover, IOM provided life-saving health care to 78 medical cases (56 men and 22 boys).

Al Hudaydah

In the past week, three migrants arrived at the MRP in Al Hudaydah seeking assistance from IOM. The MRP currently hosts 45 migrants (16 women, 21 men, 6 girls and 2 boys) from Nigeria (15) and Ethiopia (30), of which 20 are medical cases.

During the reporting period, all migrants in the MRP were provided with shelter, food and NFIs, and the three new arrivals also received blankets donated by UNHCR. In addition, 3,000 liters of

water were trucked to the MRP daily. Furthermore, IOM conducted daily awareness-raising sessions on the importance of education, risks of irregular migration, military recruitment and the mine risks for the migrants.

IOM also provided life-saving health assistance to vulnerable migrants in Al Hudaydah. During the reporting period, 85 migrants (6 women, 67 men, 2 girls and 10 boys) were provided with emergency health care, and 11 migrants were provided with psychosocial support.

ARRIVALS FROM YEMEN TO THE HORN OF AFRICA

Since the beginning of the crisis, 70,769 people have arrived in Djibouti, Somalia, Sudan and Ethiopia from Yemen.

Arrivals in Djibouti

Since 26 March, 30,578 people (6% Djiboutian returnees, 39% migrants and 55% Yemenis) have arrived to Djibouti from Yemen. To date, IOM has assisted 4,618 migrants with emergency shelter, food, NFIs, medical assistance and Onward Transportation Assistance (OTA).

Between 26 November and 2 December, 14 Ethiopian migrants seeking assistance from IOM arrived at the Migrant Response Center (MRC) in Obock. As of 2 December, the MRC hosts 45 migrants including nine unaccompanied children who are receiving shelter, food, documentation and medical assistance from IOM. On 1 December, 37 migrants were transported to the Ethiopian Embassy in Djibouti city for documentation, and will be provided OTA in the coming days to the Galafi border post to return to Ethiopia.



In the past week, 146 migrants including 34 unaccompanied children attended awareness-raising sessions on the dangers of irregular migration conducted by IOM staff in Obock. In addition, around 60 members of the host community were reached through sessions on human trafficking.

Arrivals in Somalia

As of 2 December, 29,932 individuals (89% Somali returnees, 1 % migrants, and 10 % Yemenis) have arrived in Somalia fleeing the

conflict in Yemen. To date, IOM has provided a total of 8,517 people with OTA from Bosaso and Berbera to their areas of origin.

Puntland: On 1 December, one boat from Al Mukalla port arrived in Bosaso carrying 109 individuals (34 women, 45 men and 30 children) including Somali returnees (88), and Yemeni (18), Ethiopian (2) and Syrian (1) nationals. Of the 109 arrivals, 85 individuals were registered by the Puntland Department of Immigration. IOM's medical team screened 18 individuals including seven children and no referrals were needed.

Sixty one individuals expressed interested to return to their areas of origin and were provided with OTA to Mogadishu (39), Baydhabo (13), Hargeisa (3), Dodal (2), Cerigao (2) and Kismayo (2).

Somaliland: On 28 November, one boat arrived from Aden port to Berbera carrying 26 individuals (6 women, 8 men and 12 children) including Somali returnees (4), and Yemeni (21) and British (1) nationals. IOM's medical team screened 18 individuals, none requiring further treatment, and 10 individuals were provided OTA to Mogadishu.



Over 100 individuals arrived in Bosaso on 1 December from Al Mukalla port.

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IOM delivering shelter and NFI kits to Qulensya Wa Abd Al Kur district via boat as some areas are not accessible by road. © IOM 2015



An IOM nurse conducting a health promotion session in Socotra island.

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IOM Response to Cyclones Chapala and Megh:

Socotra Island: From 24 to 26 November, IOM transported 2,000 Shelter and NFI kits into Socotra governorate which will be distributed to cyclone-affected communities in the area. Following the arrival of the kits, IOM's team met with the local authority to coordinate and prioritize the distribution process. So far, 333 kits have been distributed in Qulensya Wa Abd Al Kur and Hadibu districts. Distribution operations will continue in the coming days, a total of 14,000 individuals are expected to benefit from IOM's shelter and NFI assistance in the governorate.

Additionally, on 28 November, IOM dispatched a mobile health team (consisting of 5 health workers: 1 physician, 1 nurse, 1 midwife, 1 health promoter and 1 psychological counsellor) to Socotra Island to evaluate the situation and provide health services for IDPs and cyclone-affected persons. In the past week, 207 individuals were reached by IOM's health team: 36 people (8 women, 10 men, 12 girls and 6 boys) were provided with essential primary health care; 9 pregnant and 4 lactating women benefited from IOM's reproductive health care services; 8 individuals received psychosocial support; and 150 individuals attended health awareness sessions.

Shabwah and Abyan: In order to ensure that cyclone-affected communities have access to safe water, IOM continues to truck 37,000 liters of water on a daily basis to three sites in Mayfa'a district (Shabwah governorate) reaching 4,625 individuals. In Abyan, IOM trucked 4,000 liters of water on a daily basis to communities in Zinjubar district, benefiting 533 individuals.

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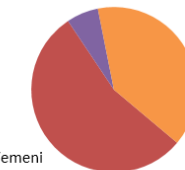
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Movements and Arrival Assistance

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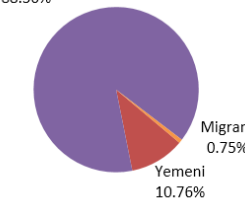
In Djibouti - 30,578 individuals

Returnee 6.27%



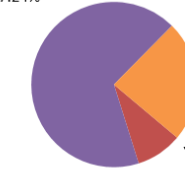
In Somalia - 29,823 individuals

Returnee 88.50%



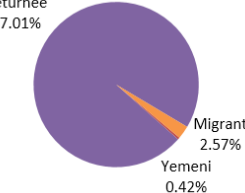
In Sudan - 5,651 individuals

Returnee 67.24%



In Ethiopia - 4,717 individuals

Returnee 97.01%



IOM ASSISTED MOVEMENT

14 Flights (**Air** Evacuation)

01 Charter Flights to Ethiopia
11 Charter Flights to Sudan
02 Charter Flights to Somalia

***2,060** individuals

144 Individuals
1,454 Individuals
367 Individuals

* including 68 resettlement cases to Sweden and 22 cases to France, and 5 pax on a commercial flight to Ireland

12 Boats (**Sea** Evacuation)

12 Boats Yemen - Djibouti

2,257 individuals

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167 Flights (**Air** Onward Transport)

62 Routes to **40** Countries

1,950 individuals

458 Trips (**Land** Onward Transport) **17,545** individuals

in Somalia, Ethiopia, and Djibouti

IOM POST-ARRIVAL ASSISTANCE

DJIBOUTI

assisted arrived

***4,618** individuals

* This figure does not include the daily provision of drinking water in port of Djibouti

SOMALIA

assisted arrived

***14,524** individuals

* This figure does not include the provision of arrival refreshment to most of arrivals in Puntland and South Central region

SUDAN

assisted arrived

1,454 individuals

ETHIOPIA

assisted arrived

***2,493** individuals

* This figure does not include the assistance to arrivals through onward transportation from Djibouti, Sudan and Somalia to prevent double counting. In total IOM Ethiopia has assisted 5,104 individuals

Post-arrival assistance includes provision of Shelter, WASH, NFIs, Food, Health Assistance, Transportation, Registration, Facilitating Documentation, and Reinsertion Grant.

TOTAL ASSISTED

assisted arrived

23,089 individuals

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