



YEMEN CRISIS REGIONAL RESPONSE

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Water trucking to a community site in Abyan governorate. © IOM 2015 (Photo: IOM Yemen)

Highlights

■ On 5 October, IOM and UNHCR released the Regional Refugee and Migrant Response Plan to respond to the crisis in Yemen at a launch held in Nairobi, Kenya.

■ DTM assessments in 10 governorates have been completed, and IOM has already identified 1.03 million IDPs.

■ As of 30 September, the number of arrivals in Djibouti, Somalia, Ethiopia and Sudan has almost reached 62,000 people. Over 22,600 have received post-arrival assistance from IOM.

Situation Overview

The security situation in Yemen is tense as fighting continues in the country, including an attack on a hotel housing members of the Yemeni Government in Aden.

Yemen's Houthi group and the party of the former president have accepted a peace plan brokered by the United Nations in talks in Oman. On 7 October, both groups are said to have notified U.N. chief Ban Ki-moon that they were ready to join talks based on a seven-point peace plan proposed by the U.N. in talks in Oman last month.

On 5 October, IOM and UNHCR released a [Regional Refugee and Migrant Response Plan](#) to respond to the crisis in Yemen at a donor meeting held in Nairobi. The plan, which spans from October until the end of 2016, appeals for a total of USD 155 million. Within this appeal, IOM is appealing for USD 42 million for activities in Ethiopia, Djibouti, Somalia, and Sudan.

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HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES IN YEMEN

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

Since the start of the conflict, 152,970 people (64,057 women, 67,614 men, 11,394 girls, and 9,905 boys) have benefitted from IOM's WASH activities.

Aden

In the past week, IOM suspended its water trucking services to Al Sadaqah Hospital and the MSF-operated hospitals in Ash Sheikh Outhman, as these facilities began receiving water on a daily basis through the Local Water Supply and Sanitation Corporation. Nonetheless, IOM continued trucking 9,000 liters and 4,000 liters of water to Al Jumhooria Hospital and a health facility in Khur Maksar respectively, benefitting 630 individuals. In addition to supplying health facilities with water in the district of Khur Maksar, IOM supplied 17,000 liters of water to four water points, reaching approximately 1,400 individuals. Furthermore, IOM supplied six water sites in Attawahi district with 30,000 liters of water daily, reaching 1,866 individuals.

Abyan

Between 1 and 7 October, IOM trucked 85,000 liters of water to 11 water sites in Khanfir, including the water sites in Al Makhzan Al Sharqi and Al Makhzan Al Gharbi areas, reaching 5,331 individuals. In addition, IOM trucked 92,000 liters of water to 17 water sites in Zinjubar, benefitting nearly 6,129 individuals. Furthermore, in response to the increasing number of IDPs returning to Lawder, IOM increased its water trucking services to water sites in Lawder from 44,800 liters per day to 62,400 liters, and added two additional water sites to reach 4,319 individuals. IOM also provided Lawder Hospital with 3,200 liters of water daily, benefitting 140 individuals.

Al Dhale'e

During the reporting period, IOM provided Al Nasr Hospital with 13,000 liters of water on a daily basis, benefitting at least 400 individuals. Furthermore, IOM provided 54,600 liters of water to 18 community sites in Al Dhale'e city, reaching approximately 3,640 individuals. Moreover, IOM increased the amount of water supplied to the six water sites in Al Hussein district from 48,000 liters to 74,000 liters, reaching 4,933 individuals.

Lahj

IOM is providing 64,000 liters of water to four water sites in Al Hawtah district on a daily basis, reaching 4,266 individuals.

Non-Food Items (NFIs)

To date, 16,481 individuals (6,918 women, 7,412 men, 1,153 girls, and 998 boys) have received shelter assistance in Abyan, Aden, Al Dhale'e, and Ibb governorates.

Protection

IOM continues its efforts to monitor and track internal displacement in Yemen through the Displacement Tracking Matrix. The first round of assessments in 10 governorates has been completed, and IOM



IOM physicians in Basateen treating a young migrant, Aden governorate.
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was able to identify 1,034,903 IDPs in Abyan, Al Baydha Aden, Al Dhale'e, Hadramaut, Ibb, Al Jawf, Lahj, Shabwah, and Taizz. IOM co-leads the Task Force for Population Movement together with UNHCR.

Health

Since April 2015, 30,751 IDPs and conflict-affected populations in Abyan, Aden, Al Dhale'e, Hajjah, Al Hudaydah, Sana'a, and Shabwah governorates have been provided with health assistance including emergency health care, primary health care, mental health and psychosocial support, health promotion, and recently the management of acute malnutrition.

Abyan, Al Dhale'e, and Shabwah

During the reporting period, 440 Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) cases (225 males and 215 females) and 175 Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) cases (77 males and 98 females) were treated through IOM's mobile Out-Patient Therapeutic Program clinics. Additionally, reproductive health services were provided to 300 individuals.

In the past week, 680 children (285 girls and 395 boys) were provided with essential primary health care through integrated management of childhood illness, and 364 children (268 girls and 96 boys) were vaccinated.

Sana'a

Between 1 and 7 October, IOM provided health-care assistance to 124 individuals (43 women, 30 men, 29 girls, and 22 boys), mental health and psychosocial support to 9 individuals, and 87 IDPs participated in health promotion and hygiene awareness campaigns.

Assistance to Migrants in Yemen

Thirty six migrants who were held in captivity by criminal gangs for several weeks in Hajjah were referred to IOM for assistance after they were freed by the police. Among the mixed nationalities (Chadians, Ethiopians, Nigerians, and Sudanese), there are 10 women, 17 men, 6 girls and 3 boys. The migrants reported that they had been severely maltreated, having been abducted, abused, tortured, and deprived of food and water. IOM has already provided all 36 migrants with NFIs, and provided health support to 30 migrants. IOM is arranging temporary safe shelter to accommodate the group, which is being accommodated in a private house. All of



IOM staff screening migrants in Hajjah to identify their immediate needs and vulnerabilities. © IOM 2015 (Photo: IOM Yemen)

the migrants have expressed interest in receiving assistance from IOM assistance to return to their home country.

IOM's Protection team in Al Hudaydah has seen many migrants traveling along the main roads leading to Haradh and Sana'a. This trend is reinforced by the latest data compiled by UNHCR and its partners that an estimated 10,000 migrants came to Yemen in August.

In the past week, IOM registered 18 migrants in Aden, bringing the total number of migrants registered and living in host communities in the area to 160 migrants. In addition, IOM medical staff in Aden provided health care assistance to 15 individuals (3 women, 10 men, and 2 boys).

DISPLACEMENT FROM YEMEN TO THE HORN OF AFRICA

Since the beginning of the crisis, 63,875 people have arrived in Djibouti, Somalia, Sudan and Ethiopia from Yemen.

Arrivals in Djibouti

To date, 28,389 people (7% Djiboutian returnees, 41% migrants, and 52% Yemenis) fleeing the conflict in Yemen have arrived in Djibouti. Since 26 March, IOM has assisted 4,351 migrants.

Between 1 and 7 October, 441 Ethiopian migrants accommodated at the Migrant Response Center (MRC) of Obock were provided with onward transportation assistance to return to Ethiopia after having been interviewed and documented at the Ethiopian Embassy in Djibouti capital city. Documentation and provision of laissez-passer will continue for the remaining 77 migrants hosted at the MRC.

At the MRC, migrants continue to receive three cooked meals prepared with food provided by WFP, medical assistance, and access to WASH services. Furthermore, UNFPA provided IOM with dignity kits to be distributed to women, and the Red Crescent of Djibouti provided IOM with hygiene kits which were distributed to migrants at the Obock MRC. In addition, migrants were offered a free phone call by the Red Crescent of Djibouti to talk with their families back in Ethiopia.

IOM is witnessing a sharp increase of OTA requests by irregular Ethiopian migrants transiting through Djibouti on their way to Yemen who find themselves stranded in Obock. While a month ago, on average, five migrants were seeking help at the MRC, this number has now tripled with 15 migrants.

Consultations with national authorities and Ethiopian Embassy officials on IOM's assistance with irregular migrants are on-going. In the past week, one group of 316 irregular migrants transiting through Djibouti on their way to Yemen encountered with the Gendarmerie Nationale in Lac Assal.

IOM is offering psychosocial support by engaging migrants in sport activities. These activities are offered as a way for the migrants to overcome stress and trauma from their stay in Yemen.



Migrants playing volleyball at the MRC in Obock. © IOM 2015 (Photo: IOM Djibouti)

Arrivals in Somalia

Since the beginning of the crisis, 29,315 individuals (89% Somali returnees, 1% migrants, and 10% Yemenis) fleeing the conflict in Yemen have arrived in Somalia. To date, IOM has provided 8,153 people with OTA from Bosaso and Berbera to their areas of origin.

Puntland: On 30 September, a boat arrived in Berbera from Mokha carrying three Yemeni men. Following registration and vulnerability assessments carried out by IOM staff at the reception center in Berbera, IOM provided one of the arrivals with OTA to Mogadishu, and the medical team treated one patient. On 5 October, another boat arrived in Berbera from Mokha carrying six individuals (2 women and 4 men) of which one is a Somali returnee and five are Yemeni nationals. These arrivals did not request for onward transport as they had their own means to travel to their destinations.

The latest arrivals bring the total number of arrivals in Somaliland since the beginning of the crisis to 9,291 individuals. Since April 2015, IOM has provided 5,239 individuals with OTA and 2,424 with health services in Somaliland.

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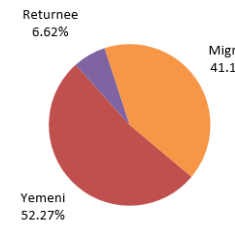


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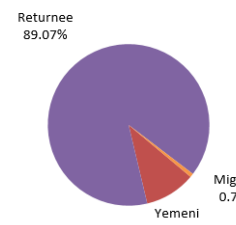
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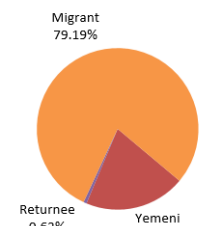
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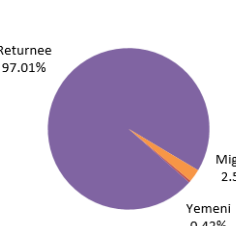
In Somalia - 29,315 individuals



In Sudan - 1,454 individuals



In Ethiopia - 4,717 individuals



IOM ASSISTED MOVEMENT

14 Flights (Air Evacuation) ***2,049** †
01 Charter Flights to Ethiopia 144 Individuals
11 Charter Flights to Sudan 1,454 Individuals
02 Charter Flights to Somalia 367 Individuals

* including 62 resettlement cases to Sweden and 22 cases to France

12 Boats (Sea Evacuation) **2,257** †
12 Boats Yemen - Djibouti 2,257 Individuals

165 Flights (Air Onward Transport) **1,948** †
62 Routes to 40 Countries

426 Trips (Land Onward Transport) **17,072** †
in Somalia, Ethiopia, and Djibouti

IOM POST-ARRIVAL ASSISTANCE

DJIBOUTI ***4,351** individuals
assisted arrived

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

SOMALIA ***14,374** individuals
assisted arrived

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

SUDAN **1,454** individuals
assisted arrived

ETHIOPIA **2,493** individuals
assisted arrived

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

TOTAL ASSISTED **22,672** individuals
assisted arrived

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