

# **LIBYA**

27 Jan. - 2 Feb. 2018

### **Key figures**

**180,937** Libyans currently internally displaced (IDPs)<sup>1</sup>

**334,662** returned IDPs (returns registered in 2016 – 2017)<sup>1</sup>

**46,730** registered refugees and asylumseekers in the State of Libya<sup>2</sup>

**4,439** persons arrived in Italy by sea in 2018<sup>3</sup>

1,080 monitoring visits to detention centres in 2017 (91 in 2018)

**1,428** asylum-seekers and refugees released from detention since 2017 (316 in 2018)

#### **Funding**

USD **85** M requested in 2018 as part of the Humanitarian Response Plan.

February 2018.

#### **Highlights**

On 2 February, UNHCR evacuated 136 vulnerable refugees from Libya to UNHCR's Emergency Transit Mechanism (ETM) in Niger. There, their case will be processed to find a durable solution, including resettlement. With this flight, UNHCR has evacuated 674 refugees from Libya (512 to the Niger ETM and 162 to Italy). UNHCR continues to identify and process vulnerable cases for resettlement and other durable solutions, including from its urban caseload.

As of 31 January 2018, the Libyan Coast Guard (LCG) rescued/intercepted 1,693 refugees and migrants at sea, a slight increase compared to the previous month. This week, over 262 individuals were disembarked at Tripoli Naval Base, with over 124 individuals disembarked on 29 January alone. UNHCR and its partner International Medical Corps provided primary healthcare, hygiene kits and identified persons in need of international protection both at the disembarkation point and at the detention centre where they were subsequently transferred. In line with recent movements, boats departed from areas west of Tripoli near Zwara and areas east of Tripoli near Garabulli.

#### **UNHCR** Response

UNHCR is implementing quick-impact projects benefiting to internally displaced persons (IDPs), returnees and host communities in Libya. This week, through its partner Mercy Corps, UNHCR completed the refurbishment of sanitary facilities serving 2,400 IDPs in the Seraj settlement. Thanks to this intervention, the community now has access to improved toilets, showers, basins and a potable water system. In the Sidi Sayah IDP settlement, where 3,000 people are currently living, UNHCR and Mercy Corps conducted a disinfestation to eradicate the spread of diseases and rodents from the location. In addition, the teams delivered school desks to the Alfatah's school in Tripoli, which currently hosts more than 700 students. Before the project implementation, there was only one desk for three students. The school had not undergone maintenance works since 2012. In coordination with Libyan authorities, UNHCR will implement more than 200 QIPs throughout 2018 to respond to the humanitarian needs of IDPs, returnees, refugees and hosting communities, in accordance with the 2018 Libya Humanitarian Response Plan.

On 30 January, UNHCR met with representatives of the IDP Commission linked with the Prime Minister's Office, the IDP Committee of Tripoli and mayors of 13 municipalities from western, eastern and southern Libya, with a view to discussing needs, coordination and support of UNHCR to Libyan IDPs, returnees and host communities.

There are 46,730 refugees and asylum-seekers registered with UNHCR in Libya. In January alone, UNHCR registered 1,609 refugees and asylum-seekers from Sudan (43%), Eritrea (30%), Syria (10%), Somalia (8%), Ethiopia (5%), in addition to other nationalities. UNHCR is advocating with authorities to be allowed to register asylum seekers regardless of nationality. Men represent 52% of the total registered population, while women and children account for 17% and 31% respectively. Overall, Syrian nationals remain the largest registered caseload for UNHCR (48% - 22,313 individuals), followed by Palestinians (15% - 7,025 individuals) and Eritreans (12% - 5,632 individuals).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> IOM-DTM December 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Data as of 31 December 2017.

<sup>3</sup> www.data2.unhcr as of 2

## **Key Figures**



**562,329** people of concern



46,730 registered refugees & asylum-seekers



**180,937**\* internally displaced persons



**334,662**\* IDP returnees

### **UNHCR Coordinated Sectors**



**Protection Sector** 



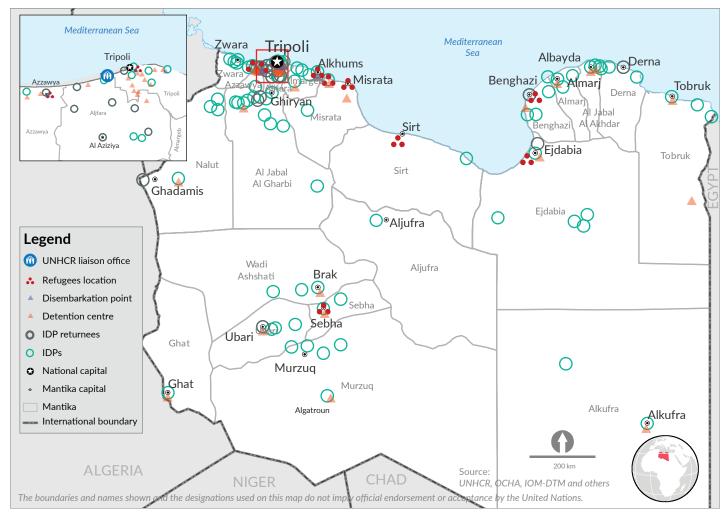
**Shelter & NFI Sector** 



**Cash & Markets Working Group** 



Mixed Migration Working Group (Co-led by UNHCR & IOM)



## **Key Achievements in 2017-18**



**40,638** medical consultations (5,547 in 2018)



**114,087** IDPs and refugees received core relief items (482 in 2018)



**3,397** IDP and refugee households received cash assistance (80 in 2018)



**8,223** individuals registered (1,609 in 2018)



**6,894** rescue kits and **3,079** medical consultations provided at disembarkation points (1,567 and 123 in 2018)



**1,201** monitoring visits to **35** detention centres (121 visits in 2018)



**1,608** detained refugees/asylum-seekers released (180 in 2018)



1,075 refugees and asylum-seekers reached with solutions: 401 resettlement referrals and 674 individuals evacuated from Libya (162 to Italy and 512 to Niger)

## **UNHCR Funding Requirements**



**USD 85 million** 

required in 2018 for Libya emergency response

\* IOM-DTM