UNHCR’s Persons with Specific Needs (PSN) program is an integral part of the operation’s Protection and Solution Strategy. It aims to meet the immediate needs of PSNs and mitigate the protection risks for PSNs across Afghanistan, applying a whole of community approach. Assistance including cash support and referral to necessary services is provided on an individual basis to people assessed to have acute vulnerabilities and protection risks.

**PROGRESS VS TARGET**
10,439 * reached against 7,500 target beneficiaries

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139% of the 16,982 individuals assessed, cumulatively 9,645 directly benefited from cash and/or in-kind assistance while 2,603 were referred for medical, livelihoods, shelter and other assistance.

**BENEFICIARIES BY VULNERABILITY**
- Serious Medical Condition: 4,289
- Disability: 2,158
- Single Parent: 1,810
- Woman at risk: 752
- Child at Risk: 586
- Older person at risk: 555
- Unaccompanied or Separated Child: 25
- Other Protection Needs

**TOP 10 PROVINCES**
- Kabul: 1,344
- Kandahar: 1,126
- Helmand: 1,051
- Hirat: 478
- Wardak: 440
- Nangarhar: 420
- Uruzgan: 385
- Logar: 369
- Panwan: 305
- Nuristan: 297

**BENEFICIARIES BY POPULATION**
- Conflict-Induced IDPs: 5,555
- Host Communities: 4,520
- Refugee Returnees: 244
- Other population: 85
- Refugee: 35

**BENEFICIARIES ASSISTED BY MONTH**
- Jan: 269
- Feb: 677
- Mar: 712
- Apr: 1,390
- May: 1,990
- Jun: 1,345
- Jul: 1,116
- Aug: 1,274
- Sep: 875
- Oct: 659
- Nov: 132
- Dec

* Includes individuals who received multiple assistance.

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