







Beneficiaries	Total Population	IDPs	IDP Returnees	Refugee Returnees	Host Community
22,200 Female 23,100 Male	134,900 Female 140,400 Male	29,700 Female 31,000 Male	200 Female 250 Male	64,500 Female 67,000 Male	40,400 Female 42,000 Male
45,300	275,300	60,700	450	131,500	82,400

Surkhrod is a district in the Southwest part of Nangarhar Province. The district has over 40 villages, the most populated villages are Fatehabad, Sultanpur, Shamshapur, Charbagh, Siasang, Shiekh Mesri and Bakhtaan. The total estimated population is 275,300 individuals. Sukhrod has been considered to be one of the top high return districts across the country. Since October 2023, 10,094 undocumented returnees and 3,214 documented returnees returned to the district. It is also important to highlight that right from 2005, Shiekh Mesri and Siasang are Land Allocation Scheme (LAS) allocated for landless returnees and thereafter is being called as a returnee township. The settlement was established on a barren terrain that remained isolated until early 2008. When first established in 2005, a sizeable portion of the area was littered with land mines and UXOs. Since August 2006, Mine Action Coordination Centre for Afghanistan (MACAA) conducted mine clearance operations facilitated by UNHCR and the Department of Refugees & Repatriation (DoRR). It was in 2006 that a substantial number of applications were processed, whereby beneficiaries were selected and allotted parcels of land. The site's development has gradually progressed since then. A great majority of the beneficiaries are returnees from Pakistan who returned in 2005 and initially settled in Lower Sheik Mesri and Hesarshahi temporary settlements in Nangarhar. These returnees originated from various districts of Nangarhar and constitute a diverse yet united community under the leadership of an elected Shura. The lack of livelihoods opportunities within the area, difficult access, inadequate education, and health services as well as the shortage of accessible water sources are the inherent needs.



- Protection
- Special Assistance
- Livelihoods
- Education
- Health
- WASH
- Shelter
- Energy
- Infrastructure

Projects already implemented by UNHCR (January 2022- June 2024)

BENEFICIARIES	ACTIVITIES
 1,200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2022, UNHCR constructed a three-story school building of Lower Shiekh Mesri Girls' High School with 30 classrooms equipped with all facilities as well as provision of furniture
 850	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2022, UNHCR has provided shelter assistance to 142 vulnerable families in Fatihabad village
 2,800	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2022, UNHCR provided Cash for Persons with Specific Needs (PSN) to over 237 cases In 2022, UNHCR provided Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance (MPCA) grant to 277 vulnerable families (1,662 men and 277 women)
 1,900	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2022, UNHCR distributed 191 solar panel packages to vulnerable households (1146 individuals) In 2022, UNHCR provided Cash-for-Reintegration (CARE) assistance to 91 families benefiting 637 individuals including 320 males and 317 female beneficiaries
 2,750	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2022, UNHCR provided Small Medium Enterprise (SME) support to 20 youths to start their own businesses In 2022, UNHCR provided Cash-for-Work assistance to 290 people
 30,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2022, UNHCR constructed a Comprehensive Health Clinic (CHC) with all its facilities that benefit over 30,000 returnees, IDPs and host community



Provision of solar-powered pipe scheme benefiting the PwS in accessing potable water @UNHCR






Construction of a Comprehensive Health Clinic (CHC) in the district providing access to health care services to PwS @UNHCR










Three Story school building constructed benefiting mainly girls @UNHCR

UNHCR activities (planned/ongoing in 2024)

TARGET: BENEFICIARIES	ACTIVITIES
 4,300	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2024, UNHCR is providing Mental Health and Psychosocial Services (MHPSS) individually and in groups to the People we Serve (PwS)
 600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2024, UNHCR is assisting 100 Persons with Specific Needs (PSN) In 2024, UNHCR provided Cash for reintegration assistance to refugee returned families of to 78 families (500 individuals)
 900	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2024, UNHCR is planning to construct permanent shelters to 150 families (900 individuals)







Partnerships

-  ■ UN-Habitat is facilitating the establishment of 20 local committees to compile multi sector needs
-  ■ DRC is implementing income generation projects
-  ■ IRC provided Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance (MPCA) to the flood affected families
-  ■ UNDP is planning to assist shelter beneficiaries with solarization and water supply program
-  ■ ACTED is planning to assist flood affected families with cash, repairing and upgrading the shelters partially destroyed by natural disaster
-  ■ IOM is planning to build a protection wall
-  ■ UN Women is planning to assist flood affected people with solar packages



Remaining Gaps

-  ■ Access to livelihoods and employment opportunities are limited
-  ■ Access to clean drinking water and other basic services is needed
-  ■ Poor infrastructure – internal roads need to be paved
-  ■ Limited/no access to electricity – due to the recent floods and storms, many families lost their solar panels or got destroyed

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