

LIBYA

9 - 16 March 2018

Key figures:

165,478 Libyans currently internally displaced (IDPs)¹

341,534 returned IDPs (returns registered in 2016 - 2017)¹

48,485 registered refugees and asylumseekers in the State of Libya²

5,951 persons arrived in Italy by sea in 2018³

270 monitoring visits to detention centres so far in 2018

982 asylum-seekers and refugees released from detention so far in 2018

1,342 vulnerable refugees and asylumseekers evacuated since November 2017

Funding

USD **85** M required for 2018

Highlights

UNHCR presented a Supplementary Appeal for the Central Mediterranean Route Situation. In order to assist an estimated 656,280 people of concern by the end of 2018, UNHCR is appealing for \$226.6 million for January to December 2018, and is rolling out a cross-regional strategy with selected activities. Despite a significant decrease in arrivals in Europe in 2017, refugees and migrants continue to put themselves at serious risk, both on land and at sea. In 2017, an estimated 2,800 refugees and migrants perished or went missing during attempted crossings of the Mediterranean sea. It is estimated that many more have died on their way crossing the desert due to the many dangers faced along the route.

Population Movements

So far in 2018, 3,441 refugees and migrants were disembarked in Libya by the Libyan Coast Guard (LCG). A total of 1,745 individuals were disembarked in January, 711 in February and 785 in March. During the course of the week, a total of six disembarkations took place at the Tripoli Naval Base. A total of 585 individuals were disembarked, including women and children. UNHCR and its partner International Medical Corps (IMC) were present during disembarkations and provided emergency relief comprising of food, refreshments, blankets and medical assistance. The large majority of people disembarked were from Nigeria, Eritrea and Morocco. During disembarkation procedures, UNHCR also identified individuals from Sudan. In line with recent trends, the boats departed from sites near Garabulli (east of Tripoli), Azzawiya and Zwara (west of Tripoli).

UNHCR Response

This week, UNHCR and its partners IMC and CESVI supported over 1,170 refugees and asylum-seekers in UNHCR's Community Development Centers in Tripoli. During the week, over 600 individuals approached UNHCR for the first time and were referred for registration. In the past couple of weeks, UNHCR and partners assisted over 225 refugees and asylum-seekers per day with primary healthcare, psychosocial support, counseling, non-food items and cash-based interventions. Outreach activities of IMC and CESVI continued during the week in Tripoli in order to assess living conditions and provide specific support to refugees and asylum-seekers.

UNHCR conducted a visit to Triq Al Matar settlement, where some 1,900 displaced persons are currently living. As part of its Quick-Impact Projects, UNHCR is rehabilitating the school in the community to ensure that displaced children have access to a safe learning environment.

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¹ IOM-DTM Jan.- Feb. 2018.

² Data as of 28 February 2018.

³ www.data2.unhcr as of 15 March



Key Figures



555,497 people of concern



48,485 registered refugees & asylum-seekers



165,478* internally displaced persons



341.534* IDP returnees

UNHCR Coordinated Sectors



Protection Sector



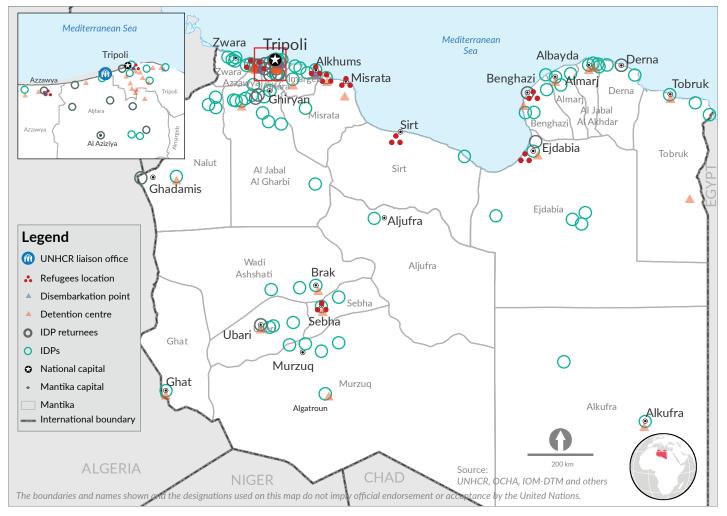
Shelter & NFI Sector



Cash & Markets Working Group



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



Key Achievements in 2018



9,314 medical consultations (35,091 in 2017)



11,261 IDPs and refugees received non-food items (113,605 in 2017)



367 IDP and refugee households received cash assistance (3,314 in 2017)



12,288 individuals registered since 2016 (3,773 in 2018)



1,478 rescue kits and 206 medical consultations provided at disembarkation points (5,327 and 2,956 in 2017)



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



982 detained refugees/asylum-seekers released (1,428 in 2017)



1,819 refugees and asylum-seekers reached with solutions since Oct 2017: 477 resettlement referrals and 1,342 individuals evacuated from Libya (1,020 to Niger, 312 to Italy and 10 to Romania)

UNHCR Funding Requirements



USD 85 million

required in 2018 for Libya emergency response

* IOM-DTM