



# YEMEN CRISIS REGIONAL RESPONSE

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IOM distributing NFI kits to returnees in Al Hussien district (Al Dhale'e governorate), Yemen. © IOM 2015 (Photo: IOM Yemen)

## Highlights

■ To date, in Yemen, IOM has provided 31,697 individuals with WASH assistance, and 15,068 people with NFI assistance.

■ In the past week, IOM's protection team visited Al Hudaydah and identified 333 Ethiopian migrants requesting support to return home.

■ As of 16 September, over 60,400 people have arrived in Djibouti, Somalia, Ethiopia and Sudan. Nearly 22,000 have received post-arrival assistance from IOM teams.

## Situation Overview

The security situation across the country remains unstable, with airstrikes reported in several governorates, including Amran, Al Jawf, Marib, Hajjah, Sana'a, Al Mahwit, Dhamar, Al Baydah, and Shabwah.

On 10 September, a UN Joint convoy, including FAO, UNICEF, WHO, WFP, UNHCR and IOM departed from Sana'a to Taizz. As of 14 September, the trucks are north of Taiz city but cannot enter the city due to ongoing hostilities.

Checkpoints, insecurity, and the reluctance of transporters to access volatile areas are hindering the delivery of assistance by road and sea, and fuel shortages are further impeding humanitarian operations. Humanitarian access constraints are particularly severe in Abyan, Aden, Al Dhale'e, Al Jawf, Lahj, Marib, Sa'ada, Shabwah, and Taizz governorates.

It was announced on 14 September by the U.N. press office that the Yemeni Government pulled out of U.N.-mediated peace talks with the Houthis. Yemen's Government said it would not join talks until Houthi rebels abided by UN Security Council resolution 2216, which calls on them to recognize the authority of President Hadi and withdraw from Yemen's main cities.

Yemen's Prime Minister Khaled Bahah and several of his ministers have returned to Yemen after months of exile in Saudi Arabia. Prime Minister Baha has returned to the port city of Aden in order to re-establish the Government.

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## IOM RESPONSE

### HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES IN YEMEN

#### NFI, Shelter and WASH

To date, in Aden, Abyan, Al Dhale'e and Sana'a governorates 31,697 people (10,460 women, 11,728 men, 5,070 girls, and 4,439 boys) have benefitted from IOM's WASH activities, and 15,068 individuals (4,971 women, 5,576 men, 2,411 girls, and 2,110 boys) have received NFI assistance from IOM.

##### Aden

In the past week, IOM suspended water trucking services to 14 water sites in Crater as the Local Water Supply and Sanitation Corporation partially regained its capacity in various areas of the city. IOM continued the daily trucking of 75,000 liters of water to Al Sadaqah Hospital and to an MSF-operated hospital in Ash Shaikh Outhman district, 18,000 liters to Al Jumhooria Hospital in Khur Maksar district, and 24,000 liters to four water sites in Attawahi district. In total, IOM's water trucking activities in the past week reached 1,866 individuals.

##### Abyan

Between 9 and 16 September, 5,915 individuals were reached through IOM's water trucking activities in Khanfir district. In Zinjubar, IOM trucked 78,000 liters per day to a school hosting IDPs and to 13 water sites, benefitting a total of 6,018 individuals. Additionally, IOM provided 3,200 liters of water per day to the main hospital in Lawder, and expanded its support to 18 returnee community water sites with an additional 87,400 liters per day, reaching a total of 9,608 individuals.

##### Al Dhale'e

During the reporting period, IOM distributed NFI kits to 198 households in Dhale'e city and 15 households in Al Hussein district, benefitting 1,490 individuals.

IOM continues to support Al Nasr Hospital with daily provision of 8,000 liters of water, and is trucking 54,600 liters of water per day to 18 water sites in Dhale'e city, reaching 3,890 individuals.

#### Health

Since April 2015, 27,719 conflict affected individuals in Abyan, Aden, Al Hudaydah, Hajjah, Sana'a and, Shabwah have been provided with health assistance including emergency and primary health care.

##### Aden

Between 9 and 16 September, IOM provided health care services to 256 IDPs (90 women, 59 men, 63 girls, and 44 boys) hosted in schools in Al Mansoorah and Ash Sheikh Outhman districts.

##### Abyan

IOM health staff continued their support of Al Razi Hospital by supporting the delivery of four babies in the past week.

##### Sana'a

During the reporting period, IOM provided primary health care assistance to 273 IDPs (94 women, 62 men, 72 girls, and 45 boys) hosted in schools. Furthermore, maternal and neo-natal health care was provided to 19 cases including four pregnant women who received antenatal care.

Additionally, over 245 IDPs received health and hygiene awareness through group and individual sessions, and 90 individuals benefitted from mental health and psychosocial support (including psycho-education, group counselling, group discussions and recreational activities).



IOM physician examines a sick child in Othman Abdo School, Ash Shaikh Outhman district. © IOM 2015 (Photo: IOM Yemen)

#### Assistance to Migrants in Yemen

During the reporting period, IOM managed to reach the Migrant Response Centre (MRC) in Haradh for the first time in months and conducted an initial damage assessment on 11 and 12 September. While a number of assets, including generators and some storage facilities, have been damaged by bombardments, most of the structure remains intact. IOM's office remains inaccessible due to checkpoints in the area.

Between 9 and 16 September, IOM registered 42 migrants in Basateen and other areas in Aden, bringing the total of IOM-registered migrants in the area to 54 individuals including 20 minors. In the past week, IOM was able to conduct hygiene awareness and promotion activities for the 54 migrants in Basateen. The MRC in Basateen has been severely damaged by fighting, and IOM is in the process of identifying suitable alternative premises to respond to the needs of the migrants. However, the widespread damage to buildings in the area has significantly increased rental prices.

IOM continues providing life-saving health assistance to vulnerable migrants in Al Hudaydah. Since April, 6,451 vulnerable migrants have been provided with health assistance. In the past week, 20 migrants (6 men and 14 boys) were provided with emergency health care. Additionally, life-saving health care assistance was provided to 40 migrants (27 men and 13 boys) in Basateen area and four emergency cases who were hit by an

airstrike in Bab El Mandeb, were provided with first aid and referred to the MSF hospital in Aden where they received the required health care.

## EVACUATION OUT OF YEMEN

With relative stability returning in Al Hudaydah, IOM is considering resuming boat evacuations from the port city. In the past week, IOM's protection team visited Al Hudaydah to assess the population of migrants and identified 333 Ethiopian migrants who are willing and ready to return home. On 14 September, Ethiopian Embassy officials travelled to Al Hudaydah to screen and confirm the migrants' nationality. Manifests have been completed and IOM aims to evacuate all migrants on two boats travelling to Djibouti in the coming days.

To date, IOM has organized 10 boat rotations evacuating a total of 1,915 migrants by sea from Al Hudaydah port in Yemen to Obock Port in Djibouti.

Since April 2015, IOM has assisted 2,040 migrants, from over 46 countries including 75 resettlement cases to Sweden (53) and France (22), to leave Yemen through 14 flight rotations. Eleven of those flights were organized from Sana'a to Khartoum (Sudan), one flight left Sana'a for Addis Ababa (Ethiopia), and two flights left for Mogadishu (Somalia).

## DISPLACEMENT FROM YEMEN TO THE HORN OF AFRICA

To date, 60,485 people have arrived in Djibouti, Somalia, Sudan, and Ethiopia from Yemen.

### Arrivals in Djibouti

Since the beginning of the crisis, 25,219 persons have arrived in Djibouti from Yemen including 1,865 Djiboutian nationals, 12,172 Yemenis, and 11,182 migrants. Out of these, 3,811 migrants from 29 countries have benefitted from IOM's assistance. In the past week, 370 individuals (4 Djiboutians, 288 Yemenis, and 78 migrants) fleeing the conflict in Yemen arrived in Djibouti.

IOM continues to assist migrants who find themselves stranded in Obock on their way to Yemen. On average, five migrants per day arrive at the MRC in Obock seeking assistance from IOM to return to Ethiopia. There are currently eight migrants (3 men and 5 children) accommodated at the MRC.

On 16 September, IOM in Djibouti coordinated with counterparts in Ethiopia to facilitate the Onward Transportation Assistance (OTA) for 69 Ethiopian migrants including 15 unaccompanied minors to Addis Ababa.



### Arrivals in Somalia

Since the beginning of the crisis, 29,095 individuals (89% Somalis, 10% Yemenis, and 1% migrants) fleeing the conflict in Yemen have arrived in Somalia. Of the 29,095 arrivals, IOM has provided 8,020 people with OTA from Bosaso and Berbera to their areas of origin.

**Puntland:** On 10 September, 19 individuals (7 women, 8 men, and 4 children) of Somali (15) and Yemeni (4) origins arrived in Bosaso by boat and were registered by the Puntland Department of Immigration. Out of the 19 new arrivals, two individuals requested further assistance and were transported by IOM to the reception center.

Furthermore, on 14 September, two boats arrived in Bosaso carrying a total of 15 individuals (4 women and 3 men, and 8 children) of Somali (14) and Yemeni (1) nationalities, who were also registered by the Puntland Department of Immigration. All 15 individuals were transported to the reception center for further assistance.

Following the registration and vulnerability assessments carried out by IOM staff in the reception center, OTA was provided to nine individuals whose final destinations were Mogadishu and Hargeisa. Since the beginning of the crisis, IOM has provided 2,814 individuals with OTA in Bosaso.

**Somaliland:** During the reporting period, three boats arrived in Berbera from Mokha. On 11 September two boats arrived carrying 21 individuals (13 women, 2 men, and 6 children) from Somalia (5) and Yemen (16). On 15 September, one boat carrying 16 Yemenis (3 women, 9 men, and 4 children) arrived in Berbera from Mokha, bringing the total number of arrivals to Somaliland to 9,222 individuals.

Following registration and vulnerability assessments conducted at the reception center in Berbera, OTA was provided to a family of four to reach Hargeisa. Since April 2015, IOM has provided 5,206 individuals with OTA in Somaliland.

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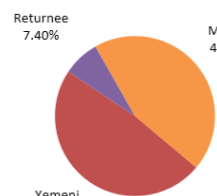


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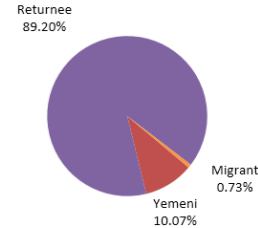
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### ARRIVALS

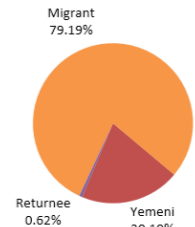
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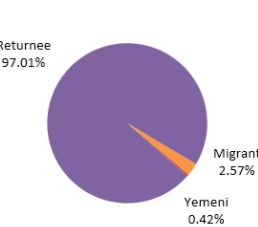
In Somalia - 29,095 individuals



In Sudan - 1,454 individuals



In Ethiopia - 4,717 individuals



### IOM ASSISTED MOVEMENT

**14 Flights (Air Evacuation)** **\*2,040** †  
01 Charter Flights to Ethiopia 144 Individuals  
11 Charter Flights to Sudan 1,454 Individuals  
02 Charter Flights to Somalia 367 Individuals

\* including 53 resettlement cases to Sweden and 22 cases to France

**10 Boats (Sea Evacuation)** **1,915** †  
10 Boats Yemen - Djibouti 1,915 Individuals

**162 Flights (Air Onward Transport)** **1,943** †  
62 Routes to 37 Countries

**414 Trips (Land Onward Transport)** **16,950** †  
in Somalia, Ethiopia, and Djibouti

### IOM POST-ARRIVAL ASSISTANCE

**DJIBOUTI** **\*3,811** individuals  
assisted arrived  
\* This figure does not include the daily provision of drinking water in port of Djibouti

**SOMALIA** **\*14,222** 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** **21,980** individuals  
assisted arrived

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