



YEMEN CRISIS REGIONAL RESPONSE

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Vulnerable migrants living in host communities in Basateen receiving Non-Food Items, Aden. © IOM 2015 (Photo: IOM Yemen)

Highlights

■ To date, IOM has assisted 2,054 migrants with air evacuation, including 75 resettlement cases to Sweden (53) and France (22) to leave Yemen.

■ Since the beginning of the crisis, IOM has provided 3,724 migrants with onward transportation assistance from Djibouti to their countries of origin.

■ To date, IOM has provided 5,350 Ethiopian returnees with accommodation and other post-arrival assistance in Ethiopia.

Situation Overview

Instability and violence continue across the country. Twenty one of Yemen's 22 governorates are directly affected by airstrikes, armed clashes, and shelling. As of mid-October, the governorates most affected by conflict are Abyan, Al Dhale'e, Hajjah, Al Hudaydah, Ibb, Marib, Sa'ada, Sana'a, and Taizz.

On 14 October, the United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Safety and Security approved the increase of programming staff and security personnel responsible for the delivery of program critical life-saving services in Sana'a from 74 to 105 program staff (and 37 security staff).

The UN Country Team in Djibouti is currently revising its Humanitarian Needs Overview and will prepare the Humanitarian Response Plan for 2016. The migrant crisis related to the war in Yemen coupled with the continuous flux of transiting migrants from Ethiopia to Yemen via Djibouti is putting further strain on the resources available to host communities and local authorities who have been trying to cope with recurrent and prolonged droughts.

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HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES IN YEMEN

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

Since the beginning of the conflict, 157,237 people (66,039 women, 70,757 men, 11,007 girls, and 9,434 boys) have benefitted from IOM's WASH activities.

Aden

Between 8 and 14 October, IOM trucked 9,000 liters of water to Al Jumhooria Hospital, and 4,000 liters to a health facility in Khur Maksar district; 630 individuals benefitted from these water trucking services. IOM also distributed 17,000 liters of water to four water sites in Aden, benefitting 1,400 individuals.

In addition to providing water in Khur Maksar, IOM trucked 10,000 liters of water (instead of 30,000 liters) to six water sites in Attawahi district as the General Water and Sanitation Corporation started to partially supply these sites with water, during the reporting period.

Furthermore, IOM is currently supporting the Local Corporation for Water and Sanitation (which recently regained partial capacity to supply water to some districts in Aden) with the rehabilitation of water wells which supply the entire governorate of Aden. The rehabilitation works have three components: Component 1 will include the maintenance of 26 submersible water pumps, Component 2 includes maintenance for the water wells' electrical network, and Component 3 will include the procurement of spare parts for power generators, procurement of well locks and lighting network, and procurement of maintenance toolboxes and water measurement tools. So far, IOM is supporting component 1 of the rehabilitation works, and will engage in supporting component 2 and 3 at later stages of the project. The OFDA-funded project will run until August 2016, and the total number of people who will benefit from this project is 331,701, which includes residents of Ash Sheikh Outhman, Attawahi, Al Buraieqeh, Crater, Dar Sad, Khur Maksar, Al Mansura, and Al Mualla districts.

Abyan

During the reporting period, IOM continued its daily water trucking of 90,000 liters to the 11 water sites in Khanfir district, including water sites in Al Makhzan Al Sharqi and Al Makhzan Al Gharbi areas, reaching 5,998 individuals. In addition, IOM trucked 100,000 liters of water to 19 water sites in Zinjubar, 3,200 liters of water to Lawder Hospital, and 65,600 liters of water to 15 water sites in Lawder.

Al Dhale'e

IOM is providing 13,000 liters of water to Al Nasr Hospital reaching approximately 400 individuals. Furthermore, IOM provided 64,800 liters of water to 18 water sites in Al Dhale'e city and 64,000 liters of water to six water sites in Al Hussein district, during the reporting period.

Lahj

In the past week, IOM distributed 64,000 liters of water to four water sites in Al Hawtah district, benefitting 4,267 individuals.

Protection

IOM's efforts to monitor and track internal displacement in Yemen through the Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) are on-going. The second round of assessments has started in Al Jawf governorate. IOM co-leads the Task Force for Population Movement (TFPM) together with UNHCR. The latest TFPM report can be found [here](#); a total of 2,305,048 IDPs have been identified in Yemen.

Health

Abyan, Al Dhale'e, and Shabwah

In the past week, through IOM's Out-Patient Therapeutic Program mobile clinics, 282 Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) cases (153 females and 129 males) and 116 Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) cases (69 females and 47 males) were treated. Reproductive health care services were also provided to 254 women (71 pregnant and 183 lactating women). Additionally, 523 children (237 girls and 286 boys) were provided with primary health care through Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (IMCI), and 230 children (188 girls and 42 boys) were vaccinated.



IOM's medical team in Ahwer district assessing children to identify cases of Severe Acute Malnutrition, Abyan. © IOM 2015 (Photo: IOM Yemen)

Sana'a

IOM is providing primary health care to IDPs hosted in schools, and reached 463 individuals (150 women, 91 men, 121 girls, and 101 boys) in the past week. Moreover, 15 individuals benefitted from mental health and psychosocial support, and 125 IDPs were reached through health promotion and hygiene awareness campaigns. The mental health support included psycho-

education, group counselling, group discussions, and recreational activities.

Al Hudaydah and Hajjah

In the past week, IOM resumed its provision of primary health care to IDPs in Hajjah. Health care assistance to IDPs was suspended from 20 August to 8 October due to the security situation mostly because of coalition airstrikes and escalated conflicts. Through two mobile clinics, healthcare was provided to 535 IDPs (129 women, 149 men, 135 girls, and 122 boys).

Assistance to Migrants in Yemen

In Aden, IOM continues to search for a suitable building that can serve as a Migrant Response Point (MRP) in Basateen; due to the conflict the previous building had been damaged beyond repair. In the meantime, IOM is registering, screening, and providing NFIs to the most vulnerable migrants who gather among the bullet-ridden and crumbling buildings.

Additionally, in the past week, 89 migrants (14 women, 73 men, and 2 girls) in Aden were provided with health care services. IOM is also providing life-saving health assistance to vulnerable migrants in Al Hudaydah and Hajjah. During this period, over 137 migrants (7 women, 32 men, 4 girls, and 94 boys) were provided with emergency health care.

As reported in the last sitrep, IOM is assisting 36 vulnerable migrants (10 women, 17 men, 6 girls and 3 boys) from Chad, Ethiopia, Nigeria, and Sudan who were recently released from a smuggler's den in Hajjah governorate where they had been held captive. The migrants were moved from Hajjah to Al Hudaydah and are currently under IOM's care, receiving accommodation, NFI, food, and medical assistance. IOM is identifying the modalities for the evacuation of these migrants to return to their home countries.

IOM's health team in Sana'a is conducting daily follow-up visits for three hospitalized medical cases, as well as eight medical cases residing with foster families. Moreover, IOM procured new mattresses, sheets, pillows, and NFIs for medical cases staying with foster families. The old items will be discarded and replaced with the new ones in the coming days.



IOM staff interviewing one of the 36 migrants that are now accommodated in Al Hudaydah. © IOM 2015 (Photo: IOM Yemen)

EVACUATION OUT OF YEMEN

On 14 October, one family (five individuals) was evacuated by air from Sana'a to Ireland. Since April 2015, IOM has assisted 2,054 migrants, 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).

ARRIVALS FROM YEMEN TO THE HORN OF AFRICA

Since the beginning of the crisis, 64,991 people have arrived in Djibouti, Somalia, Sudan and Ethiopia from Yemen.

Arrivals in Djibouti



IOM staff sensitizing migrants on the dangers of irregular migration, Obock. © IOM 2015 (Photo: IOM Djibouti)

Since 26 March, 29,350 individuals (7% Djiboutian returnees, 40% migrants, and 53% Yemenis) fleeing the conflict in Yemen have arrived in Djibouti, of which 4,402 people have been assisted by IOM.

On 10 October, after having been documented by Ethiopian Embassy officials, 83 Ethiopian migrants including 15 unaccompanied minors (UAM), who were accommodated at the Migrant Response Center (MRC) in Obock, were provided with Onward Transportation Assistance (OTA) to return to Ethiopia. To date, IOM has provided 3,724 migrants with OTA to their countries of origin.

A total of 50 Ethiopian migrants (all male, including 5 children) who sought IOM's assistance to return to Ethiopia are currently hosted at the MRC. These 50 migrants are due to be documented on 15 October by Embassy officials, and will receive OTA to the Galafi border on 18 October.

IOM's MRC team continues to sensitize irregular migrants transiting through Djibouti on their way to Yemen by raising awareness on the dangers related to irregular migration and the current situation in Yemen. On 11 and 12 October, 148 migrants (29 women, 96 men, and 23 children) were reached through the sensitization campaigns.

On 13 October, immigration authorities at the port of Djibouti requested IOM's support to handle cases of two newly-arrived undocumented Iraqi migrants, and three Ethiopian migrants who fled the conflict in Yemen. IOM is currently providing them with medical, accommodation, WASH and documentation assistance in Djibouti capital city.

Arrivals in Somalia

Since the beginning of the crisis, 29,470 individuals (89% Somali returnees, 1 % migrants, and 10% Yemenis) fleeing the conflict in Yemen have arrived in Somalia. To date, IOM has provided 8,258 people with OTA from Bosaso and Berbera to their areas of origin.

Puntland: On 4 October, a boat carrying seven Somali returnees (3 women and 4 children) arrived from Al Mukalla port (Yemen). On 15 October, the seven returnees received OTA to travel to Marka.

On 10 October, a boat arrived in Puntland from Al Mukalla carrying 107 individuals (74 Somali returnees, 32 Yemenis, and 1 Ethiopian). Out of these arrivals, 17 individuals left the port immediately upon arrival and were not registered. Following registration and vulnerability assessments of the remaining 90 individuals, IOM provided medical assistance to 32 individuals (9 women, 10 men, 3 girls, and 10 boys). IOM also provided 64 individuals with OTA to Mogadishu (39), Baidoa (13), Kismayo (6), Jowhar (3), Barawe (1), Diinsoor (1), and Hargeisa (1).

Somaliland: On 8 October, 41 individuals (12 women, 14 men, and 15 children) including one Somali returnee and 40 Yemenis arrived in Berbera by boat from Dhubab (Yemen). According to the arrivals, the travel time from Dhubab to Berbera was approximately 17 hours.

Following registration and vulnerability assessments conducted by IOM staff at the reception center in Berbera, IOM's medical team provided health assistance to 10 individuals (4 women and 6 men), and referred one case to Berbera General Hospital. All 41 individuals received OTA to Hargeisa.

To date, 9,332 individuals have arrived in Somaliland. Since April, IOM has provided 5,280 individuals have OTA and 2,434 with health services in Somaliland.

Arrivals in Ethiopia

Since 3 April, 7,470 Ethiopians (2,990 females and 4,480 males) including 231 UAMs have returned from Yemen having transited through Djibouti, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Somalia, and Sudan. Of the 7,387 returnees, 5,350 Ethiopians were provided with accommodation and other post-arrival assistance including emergency medical care, transportation assistance and family tracing and reunification.

On 11 October, IOM provided post-arrival assistance to the 83 Ethiopian returnees travelling from Djibouti. The 15 UAMs are currently undergoing family tracing and reunification procedures at the IOM transit center in Addis Ababa, and the 68 adults were provided with OTA and returned to their homes in the countryside. IOM is expecting to receive 50 returnees on 18 October from Djibouti.



Ethiopian returnees received transportation assistance from the Galafi border to the transit centre in Addis Ababa. © IOM 2015 (Photo: Ethiopia)

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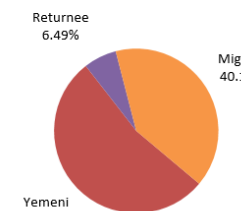


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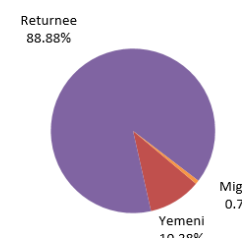
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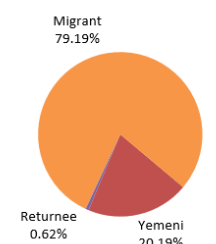
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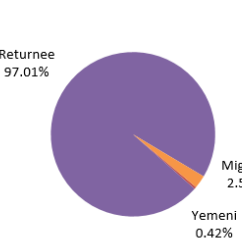
In Somalia - 29,470 individuals



In Sudan - 1,454 individuals



In Ethiopia - 4,717 individuals



IOM ASSISTED MOVEMENT

14 Flights (Air Evacuation) ***2,054** individuals
01 Charter Flights to Ethiopia 144 Individuals
11 Charter Flights to Sudan 1,454 Individuals
02 Charter Flights to Somalia 367 Individuals

* including 62 resettlement cases to Sweden and 22 cases to France, and 5 pax on a commercial flight to Ireland

12 Boats (Sea Evacuation) **2,257** individuals
12 Boats Yemen - Djibouti

165 Flights (Air Onward Transport) **1,948** individuals
62 Routes to 40 Countries

434 Trips (Land Onward Transport) **17,177** individuals
in Somalia, Ethiopia, and Djibouti

IOM POST-ARRIVAL ASSISTANCE

DJIBOUTI ***4,402** individuals
assisted arrived

* This figure does not include the daily provision of drinking water in port of Djibouti

SOMALIA ***14,388** 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 **22,737** individuals
assisted arrived

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