

FLASH UPDATE

ESCALATION AND RESPONSE IN MARIB AL JAWF AND SANA'A GOVERNORATES



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SITUATION UPDATE

Since 19 January 2020, a heavy military offensive commenced in Marib, Sana'a and Al Jawf Governorates, resulting in the displacement of more than 900 households (6,300 individuals), with reportedly increasing displacement.

Most households have been displaced to Marib, Sana'a and Al Jawf Governorates; in particular to districts of Al Hazm, Al Khalq, Bani Husheish and Ma'rib Al Wady.

Of those newly displaced, 36 percent are displaced to collective sites, while the remaining 64 percent are residing with the host community.

Urgent needs as reported by partners include additional food assistance, non-food items, clothing and protection of civilians still trapped between the frontlines.

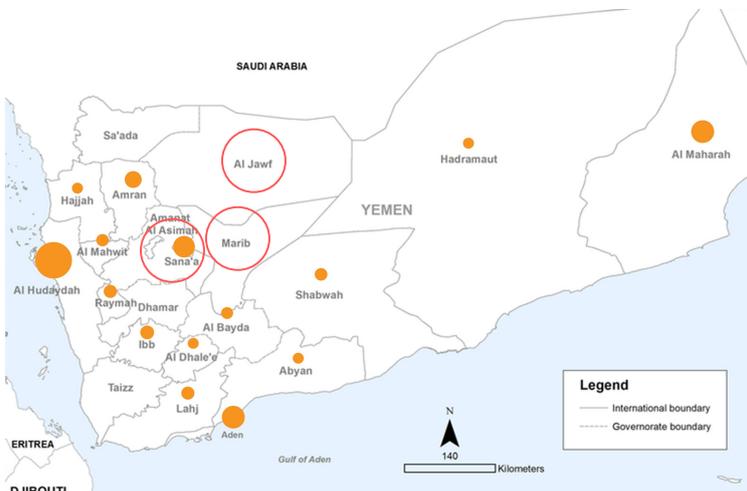


UNFPA RESPONSE

RAPID RESPONSE MECHANISM

Since the evening of 25 January, UNFPA Rapid Response Mechanism (RRM) partners (BFD, IOM, IRY and YARD) have confirmed 893 displaced households. Of those, 704 households have been assisted. **The average response time is between 48 and 72 hours of displacements.**

The RRM partners were able to deploy mobile teams for the verification and on-spot assistance to those newly displaced. The RRM provides immediate life-saving assistance to those newly displaced. This includes ready to eat food provided by WFP, hygiene kits provided by UNICEF, and women Transit Kits provided by UNFPA. In addition, UNFPA dispatched more RRM kits for the timely response to a possible influx of new IDPs.



The RRM is operational country-wide. The map indicates RRM distribution by governorate and volume of distribution in December 2019.

REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

UNFPA supports health facilities providing reproductive health services that include assistance for normal deliveries and cesarean sections. The UNFPA-supported facilities in Al Jawf Governorate (operated through CSSW) and Ma'rib Governorate (operated through BFD) reported an increase in emergency reproductive health cases over the last few days. The death toll is not confirmed yet.

Mobile Reproductive Health teams were deployed on 26 January by UNFPA partner BFD in Ma'rib. The teams are serving newly displaced persons in collective sites. Additional teams are planned to be deployed in Al Jawf over the next few days.

GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

Mobile outreach teams were deployed by UNFPA partner CSSW in both Ma'rib and Al Jawf. The teams identified urgent needs related to food, shelter, non-food items WASH, health and protection. They also identified the current entrapment of civilians between the frontlines.

With UNFPA support, UNFPA-partner CSSW has deployed mobile response teams to assist newly displaced women and girls. The teams are providing psychological first aid and transit kits; identifying most vulnerable women and girls and referring them to relevant services. UNFPA is also supporting two women and girls safe spaces in Ma'rib Governorate and Al Hazm district in Al Jawf Governorate. The spaces provide psychosocial support and medical assistance to women and girls, especially survivors of gender-based violence.