



World Food Programme



Yemen

Situation Report #23

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In Numbers

21.2 million (82 percent of population) in need of humanitarian assistance (*2016 Yemen Humanitarian Needs Overview*)

14.1 million food insecure

of which **7 million** severely food insecure (*June 2016 Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) analysis*)

2.8 million internally displaced and returnees (*HCT Task Force on Population Movement, 9th Report, May 2016*)

49,797 refugee and migrant arrivals in Yemen from the Horn of Africa in Jan-May 2016 (*Regional Mixed Migration Secretariat/UNHCR*)

Highlights

- In a major breakthrough, in July, WFP succeeded in reaching the conflict-affected and hard-to-reach governorate of Marib for the first time since December 2015, distributing food for almost 8,000 people in Harib al Qaramish district in western Marib.
- WFP reached the Mudhaffar neighbourhood inside Taizz city's conflict-affected enclave through its Commodity Vouchers through Traders' Network (CV-TN) programme for the first time in July, reaching 47,802 beneficiaries.
- WFP urgently needs additional funds to support its life-saving activities beyond October 2016. Immediate funding (net requirements of USD 284.9 million between September and February 2017) is needed.

People assisted (GFD) - July 2016



Funding Requirements

EMOP 200890 USD 284.9 million

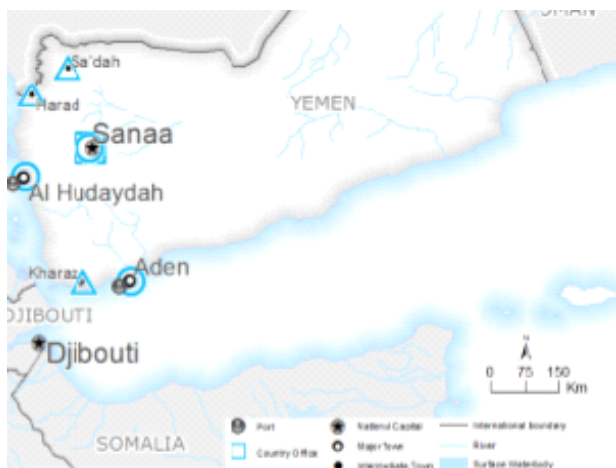
(Net requirement for Sep 2016—Feb 2017)

SO 200845 (UNHAS) USD 19.4 million (funding requirements/overall project duration)

SO 200841 (Logistics and ETC) USD 43 million (funding requirements/overall project duration)

Situation Update

- Following the one-month suspension of United Nations-brokered intra-Yemeni peace talks from 06 August, Saudi-led Coalition airstrikes on Sana'a resumed on 09 August after a five-month pause. In addition to a significant increase in the number of airstrikes across Yemen, there has also been escalated fighting between Coalition-backed government forces and Houthi forces around Sana'a and in Sa'ada, Amran, Taizz, Hajjah, Lahj, Al Jawf and Marib.
- On 09 August, Coalition authorities imposed a suspension of all flights into and out of Sana'a, including flights of the UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS). The Coalition has granted clearance for the resumption of flights by the United Nations and international humanitarian organisations on 16 August, although commercial flights remain suspended.
- Floods in July and August caused by heavy rains affected several governorates in northwest Yemen. At least 147 households (nearly 900 people) in Amran have received WFP emergency food assistance as of 14 August, and there are plans to extend emergency food assistance in Sana'a and Hudaydah, in coordination with ongoing flood impact assessments.



Yemen Emergency Response

WFP Response

- In July, WFP and ICRC managed to distribute food to almost 14,200 people in the conflict affected district of Nihm, north of Sana'a. Due to difficulties in carrying out distributions inside Nihm due to high levels of insecurity, food had been dispatched to the neighbouring district of Bani Hushaish.
- In July, WFP reached Marib, a previously inaccessible governorate due to heavy fighting. Nearly 8,000 people

Photo: A CV-TN distribution site in Sana'a/WFP Yemen

received food assistance in Harib Al Qaramish district, bordering Sana'a governorate. In August so far, WFP is continuing its distributions in Marib, having reached 9,500 people in Sirwah district.

- WFP food assistance prioritises all districts with high numbers of internally displaced and severely food insecure people as measured by the Task Force on Population Movement and the June 2016 Integrated Food Security Phase Classification. Vulnerable households, including women-headed households and households with malnourished children, are also being prioritised for food assistance.



Food Assistance

- **General food distribution (GFD):** In July, WFP reached 2.2 million people in 18 governorates through GFD. WFP did not meet its GFD target of 3 million people in July mainly due to delays in dispatches and distribution of food commodities caused by the Eid holiday period. In August so far (as of 28 August), 2.8 million people in 18 governorates have been reached through GFD.
- In July, of the 2,250,855 beneficiaries reached with GFD, 1,103,084 (49 percent) were women and girls.
- **Commodity Vouchers through Traders Network (CV-TN):** In the July cycle, WFP reached 601,027 through CV-TN in Sana'a, Aden and Taizz (92 percent of the planned 654,532 beneficiaries). The July cycle was completed on 14 August. In the August cycle so far, 191,280 people of the planned 753,564 have received food assistance through CV-TN in Sana'a, Aden, Taizz, Lahj and Al Dhale'e.



Logistics

- During the July dispatch cycle (1-31 July), 33,372 mt of commodities were dispatched, of which 93 percent was delivered to cooperating partners for final distribution. During the June dispatch cycle (1-30 June), 33,014 mt of commodities were dispatched, of which 97 percent was delivered to partners for final distribution.
- **UNHAS:** The suspension by the Saudi-led Coalition of all humanitarian flights operating to and from Sana'a between 9-16 August affected UNHAS operations and the movement of humanitarian

personnel in and out of the country, as well as the importation of light humanitarian cargo.

Clusters



Food Security Cluster

After almost seven months of negotiation, the Yemeni authorities have agreed to grant clearance for the Emergency Food Security and Nutrition Assessment (EFSNA). WFP, FAO and UNICEF are preparing to begin full-scale EFSNA data collection as soon as possible.



Logistics Cluster

The Logistics Cluster continues to facilitate a weekly passenger transport shuttle between Aden and Djibouti aboard the vessel VOS Apollo. As of the end of July, 113 passengers had been transported using this shuttle since it started in May 2016.



Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)

The ETC Yemen team has been extended until the end of 2016. This includes the current in-Yemen team of an ETC coordinator and four staff and specialists, and one team member working remotely from Dubai.

Resourcing Update

- Due to resource constraints, WFP continues to distribute 75 percent of its full individual entitlement under GFD until the end of 2016.
- WFP thanks the European Commission/DEVCO for its contribution of USD 8.4 million for the implementation of the joint WFP-FAO-UNDP-ILO project on Enhancing Rural Resilience in Yemen (ERRY). In 2016, the European Commission, through ECHO, has supported WFP's GFD with contributions amounting to over EUR 12 million (USD 13.4 million).

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WFP Operations in Yemen						
	Project Duration	Planned number of people	Total requirements (in USD)	Total received (in USD)	People Assisted per month by WFP	
					Targeted	Reached
EMOP 200890	Oct 15-Dec 16	3,000,000 per month	743 m	496 m	GFD : July (3 million) CV-TN : July (654,532) GFD : August (3 million) CV-TN: August (753,564)	GFD: July (2,247,436) CV-TN: July (601,027) GFD: August (2,818,235)* CV-TN: August (191,280)* *Ongoing as of 28 August
SO 200841	Apr 15-Dec 16	—	43.1 m	31.1 m	—	—
SO 200845	May 15-Dec 16	—	19.4 m	11.6 m	—	—