LIBYA:
EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE FOR IDPs

Highlights

· Since November 2014, through its emergency operation, WFP has provided 2,700 mt of assorted food assistance in Libya to assist over 250,000 beneficiaries cumulatively.

· The Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) was released on 20 November. The HRP provides the latest overview of the needs, as well as the actions and funding required to respond to the growing humanitarian crisis in Libya. The HRP revealed that approximately 1.28 million people are at risk of food insecurity in Libya.

· WFP’s latest shipment of 1,303 mt from Turkey is arriving on 25 November. It will provide food assistance to nearly 102,000 beneficiaries in the west and south of Libya.

Situation Update

· There has been no formal agreement in the political dialogue between the General National Congress (GNC), based in Tripoli, and the House of Representatives, based in Tobruk. The new UN Special Envoy, Martin Kobler, has stated his commitment to continuing the political dialogue.

· On 16 November the UN released a report on the human rights situation in Libya. The report stated that all parties continue to commit violations of international human rights and humanitarian law, and abuses of human rights, including indiscriminate attacks, executions, and other unlawful killings, arbitrary deprivations of liberty, torture, and other inhuman and degrading treatment.

· The UN Humanitarian Coordinator for Libya announced on 12 November that the two Libyan aid workers who were abducted on 05 June in southern Libya have been released. The two men worked for the Shaik Tahir Azzawi Charity Organization (STACO), a partner for WFP and other international agencies.

· In November, the GNC, which has responsibility for state salaries and subsidies, officially announced that government food subsidies are being terminated. All Libyan citizens will instead be entitled to a monthly cash stipend of 50 Libyan Dinar (USD 20).

In numbers

6.3 million population in Libya
3 million people affected by crisis
435,000 people displaced in the country (UN)
170,000 people targeted for WFP food assistance (EMOP ends 31 Dec)

Funding Update

Requirements until May 2016 (EMOP 200776/EMOP 200925):

USD 11.3 million

Received contributions:

USD 6.8 million
food access challenges will mean that people in critical need may prioritise spending on food over healthcare and education, or reduce spending on food. This may result in nutritional deficiencies should they not receive food assistance.

• According to World Bank data, the Libyan crisis has cut the national income per capita by more than half between 2012 and 2014, from USD 12,800 to USD 6,600. The situation has continued to deteriorate in 2015, given Libya's oil revenues are at a quarter of 2010 levels.

WFP Response

Food Assistance

• Despite the continuing conflict and security concerns, WFP and its cooperating partners Shaikh Tahir Azzawi Charity Organisation (STACO) and Libya Humanitarian Relief Agency (LibAid) have distributed 2,696 mt of food commodities to 250,568 beneficiaries cumulatively. Of this total WFP has to date provided food assistance to 79,062 beneficiaries in the east and 171,506 beneficiaries in the west and south, respectively, since November 2014.

• WFP has been providing monthly food parcels to the affected population. Each food parcel contains rice, pasta, chickpeas, vegetable oil and tomato paste and is enough to feed a household of five people for 15 days on 1,530 Kcal per person per day.

• In line with the findings of the Multi-Sector Needs Assessment, published in September, and the HNO, WFP is targeting internally displaced persons (IDPs) as they represent the most vulnerable populations. Displaced women, children and those in low economic areas are among the most vulnerable IDPs. In light of this, WFP continues to target these demographics in particular.

• Should more funding become available and access and capacity increase, WFP plans to scale up food distributions to reach up to 170,000 people.

Logistics

• Due to insecurity, there have been closures and intermittent disruptions to the Al Khoms, Tripoli, Misrata and Benghazi ports. The latter has been used to provide much of the wheat to the east of the country. These closures have hindered WFP’s Logistics from entering into Libya via ports. Consequently WFP is delivering food into Libya via Tunisia and Egypt.

Partnerships

• WFP is working with a third-party monitor, JMW Consulting, to provide updated information on cooperating partners’ distributions inside Libya. The monitors oversee planned distributions, and collect in-country food security data in eastern and western Libya.

• WFP is extending its partnership with STACO in order to continue supporting populations in the west and south of Libya. WFP is also continuing to work with LibAid in providing support to populations in the east.

Resourcing Update

• WFP is experiencing a large funding shortfall for this emergency operation. WFP had no food in stock to distribute to those most in need in Libya during September and October. WFP urgently requires USD 5.2 million between December 2015 and February 2016 to ensure there are no further halts in assistance.

• As of the end of October 2015, the Libya Humanitarian Appeal is only 37 percent funded, with just USD 13 million contributed.

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<td>Nov 2014 – Dec 2015</td>
<td>170,000</td>
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http://wfp.org/operations/200776-assistance-people-affected-crisis-libya