

UNFPA Response in Yemen

MONTHLY SITUATION
REPORT



UNFPA supported midwife during a home visit in Sana'a ©UNFPA YEMEN

FAST FACTS

22.2M

In need of some form of assistance

11.3M

In acute need

16.4M

Lack access to basic health services

12.9M

In need of protection

3.0M

Internally displaced and returnees

3.25M

Women of reproductive age (15-49 yrs)

1.1M

Pregnant women malnourished

3.0M

Women and girls at risk of gender-based violence

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MONTH

Almost three years into the conflict, Yemen remains the largest man-made humanitarian crisis globally. A staggering 22.2 million people – some 75 per cent of the population – need humanitarian assistance, including 11.3 million people who urgently require immediate assistance to survive.

In January, the **2018 Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan (YHRP)** was launched, seeking US\$2.96 billion to provide life-saving assistance to 13.1 million vulnerable people across the country. This is the largest consolidated humanitarian appeal for Yemen. If fully funded, the UN and its partners will provide, among other assistance, emergency food to more than 8.5 million Yemenis, nutritional services to 5.6 million children, pregnant women and mothers, and safe water to 5.4 million people. In addition, more than 1,400 schools and 650 health facilities destroyed by the ongoing conflict will be rehabilitated.

The United Nations welcomed the generous pledge by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates of \$930 million in support of the 2018 YHRP, which represents almost one third of the \$2.96 billion required under the YHRP.

In 2017, donors provided US\$1.65 billion (70.5 per cent) out of US\$2.34 billion that humanitarian partners in Yemen requested. UNFPA received US\$ 15.4 million (70 per cent) out of US\$22.1 million requested to support its humanitarian response in Yemen in 2017.

During the month, UNFPA's interventions focused on strengthening coordination mechanisms and partnerships at the national and sub-national levels, including improving reproductive health coordination through sub-national level inter-agency working groups on reproductive health and sub-clusters on gender-based violence. People in need were reached through the distribution of reproductive health kits, dignity kits and family kits. The referral mechanism for responding to cases of gender-based violence was expanded in 40 districts.

PEOPLE REACHED	NO.
Number of people reached with reproductive health kits	11,510
Reproductive health kits distributed	26
Dignity kits distributed	700
Family kits distributed	1,300
Number of affected population reached with all types of GBV services	762
Number of GBV survivors reached	762
Number of safe spaces supported	4



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KEY CHALLENGES

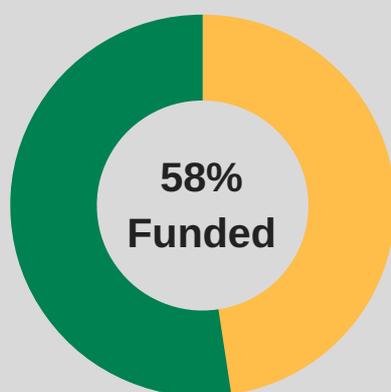
- Down scaling of international staff presence in Yemen following clashes in Sanaa in December 2017, and continued volatile security situation.
- Lack of humanitarian access to conflict-affected areas.
- Difficulties in obtaining life-saving medical supplies into Yemen due to air and sea blockades, and denial of visas for humanitarian workers.
- Difficulty in organizing services for reproductive health and gender-based violence in conflict areas due to damaged or non-operating health structures, limited movement of partners and limited transportation of supplies to health facilities.

2018 FUNDING STATUS

\$24 M
REQUIRED

\$14 M
FUNDED

\$10 M
FUNDING GAP



2018 Donors** (alphabetical order): Canada, Country-based Pooled Funds (multiple donors), Friends of UNFPA, Japan, Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom

** Includes contributions carried forward from 2016 to 2017