Overview:

137,070 people from Afrin district are estimated to have been displaced amidst the escalation of violence since 20 January 2018 and the Turkish take-over of Afrin on 18 March 2018.

150,000 individuals are estimated to remain in Afrin district, 50,000 of them in Afrin city.

IDP registration is progressing slowly, and all IDP numbers remain estimates. Prolonged registration processes mean that the humanitarian community lacks reliable planning figures.

Key Concerns:

**FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT IS SEVERELY RESTRICTED.** IDPs are still not permitted to move to Aleppo city or to return to Afrin district, despite earlier indications from the authorities that IDPs with property or family ties might be able to move towards the city.

**POSSIBLE HLP ISSUES:** As most IDPs only have verbal approval from the authorities to shelter in the abandoned houses, potential housing, land and property-related issues might occur in the future.

**LACK OF FUNDING:** The UN and partners in Damascus require at least $73m in order to continue responding with life-saving assistance and protection services to those displaced from Afrin district. Additional funding is required for the response from Gaziantep.

Humanitarian Assistance:

The Syria Humanitarian Fund allocated US $16.3 million to 21 projects to respond to people displaced from East Ghouta and Afrin with 49 per cent of the budget to be allocated to Afrin. Additionally, the UN and partners are scaling-up the response to those affected by the Afrin crisis.

[Selected highlights as of 24 April]

**FOOD**
A total of 31,000 ready-to-eat food rations and canned food parcels have been provided to the IDP population.

**HEALTH**
Supplies sufficient for 170,000 treatment courses have been delivered.

**NUTRITION**
Since the beginning of the Afrin response, sector partners have supported the screening of approximately 4,542 U5 children 344 pregnant and lactating women for malnutrition.

**WASH**
Some 100,000 IDPs benefited from water trucking services.

**Shelter +NFIs**
Over 437,000 non-food items have been distributed in IDP locations outside Afrin district.

**PROTECTION**
UN support enables local partners to provide psycho-social support, child protection and gender-based violence protection services.

**CROSS BORDER**
While the UN remains unable to reach Afrin from inside Syria, cross-border convoys have so far delivered food and healthcare assistance for 20,000 people.

Disclaimer: Due to the fast-evolving situation, many of the numbers are estimates reported by various partners (UN and others) and not official OCHA figures unless otherwise stated.

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1 Total also includes small scale onward movement from Tall Refaat area to Menbij (1,000 individuals) and Al-Hassakeh governorate (820 individuals).

2 This number will be adjusted by sectors moving forward in light of the recent SHF allocation.

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