

## Food Security Sector Response Update

### Emergency Response in Aleppo and Dara

18 February, 2016

#### Aleppo

- **Planning assumptions:** 70,000 new IDPs, as reported by the CCCM cluster and an additional 16,770 IDPs in Eastern Aleppo City reported by Sector Partners. Partners on the ground have undertaken ground verification and their feedback has also been taken into account. As a result of this feedback, the distributed figures are higher than the CCCM cluster's IDP estimate. Further, it is assumed that an additional 150,000 – 200,000 people in eastern Aleppo city may benefit from prepositioning of food baskets.
- **Response modalities:** Full food baskets for a month, reduced food baskets, Ready to Eat (RTE) rations and cash/vouchers where applicable to meet the immediate food needs of the displaced people. The Ready to Eat Rations or reduced food baskets last for a varied number of days (3 days – 10 days) based on partner's package.
- **Response figures:** As of 18 February, **114,485 IDPs** have been reached with immediate food assistance, primarily with RTE rations, reduced or full food rations and multipurpose cash grants. For South Turkey XB NGOs, the distributed figures is as of 11 February.
- **Planning figures/preparedness:**
  - ✓ From the South Turkey hub a further **357,455** people are planned to be reached in the coming weeks. This includes prepositioning for close to 150,000 people in eastern Aleppo city.
  - ✓ Additionally, a UN Inter-Agency convoy is planned with a potential target of food rations sufficient for 45,000 households (225,000 people), which includes prepositioning of food for 50,000 people in eastern Aleppo city.
  - ✓ Needs are being assessed by partners to determine medium term response.
- **Hub level coordination:**
  - ✓ Ten partners, including WFP, along with their local implementing partners, have reported emergency response activities in 17 sub-districts in response to the recent new displacement of people in different locations, including eastern Aleppo city from the South Turkey hub.
  - ✓ The Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster is planning to make use of USD 2 million from the Humanitarian Pooled Fund (HPF) emergency allocation to enable partners to scale up. Partners have requested USD 6.4 million. Two projects present a constructive link with NFI and WASH, through targeting the same beneficiaries with RTE and NFI kits, and RTE and WASH services.
- **WoS coordination:**
  - ✓ From the Syria hub, a UN Inter-Agency (IA) convoy is planned. The requested convoys are to provide assistance to 50,000 people in Afrin, 50,000 people in eastern Aleppo city, 75,000 people in the western Aleppo countryside, big Orem, and 50,000 people in northern rural Aleppo governorate, including Azaz. As of 16 February, authorizations for these requests were pending. WoS is facilitating coordination between Syria and South Turkey hubs.
  - ✓ The first level of feedback on deconfliction to minimize any overlap with south Turkey based actors response has been provided to OCHA. The sector has identified Afrin as a gap and eastern Aleppo city needs more prepositioning of food that the IA convoy can cover. Azaz and Aleppo countryside/ big Orem (Atareb sub district) are substantially covered by south Turkey-based actors. Further deconfliction and allocation of food rations will take place once more detail is available on actual location level data for distribution sites.

## Dar'a

- **Planning assumptions:** 70,000 new IDPs at its peak, as reported by OCHA. Feedback from on-ground verification of displaced people by partners has also been taken into account. The 15 February OCHA update indicates tracking close to 42,000 IDPs. A number of IDPs have reportedly returned to their places of origin following the ceasefire. However, there is a possibility of further displacement of up to 100,000 people.
- **Response modalities:** Full food baskets for a month, reduced food baskets through local procurement, Ready To Eat rations to meet the immediate food needs.
- **Response figures:** As of 18 February, 60,260 IDPs have been reached with food assistance, primarily full food rations for 55,760 IDPs (by WFP and partners IRD/ACTED) sufficient to cover for a month.
- **Planning figures/preparedness:**
  - ✓ From Jordan hub 15,445 people are planned to be reached in the coming weeks.
  - ✓ From Syria hub another 10,000 people are planned to be reached by ICRC.
  - ✓ WFP has 9,705 RTE rations stored in Jordan, sufficient to feed a maximum of 48,525 people for two to five days. Partners are also trying to preposition more food baskets inside Syria.
  - ✓ The Food Security Sector is part of a contingency planning taskforce in Jordan hub to work on response options for the most likely scenario.
- **Hub level coordination:**
  - ✓ Five partners, including WFP, along with their local implementing partners, have reported emergency response activities in 14 sub-districts in response to the recent new displacement of people in different locations.
  - ✓ The number of IDPs in eastern parts of Dar'a is still being verified.
  - ✓ Partners are reallocating food baskets from their regular programme to respond to the crisis.
  - ✓ There is a need to scale up partners' operations to ensure that their regular programmes are not disrupted.
  - ✓ Food Security Sector partners are also working on coordinated rapid assessments. CARE and REACH have already conducted multi sector rapid assessments.
  - ✓ Due to the restrictions on informal border crossing, the response is now mostly reliant on WFP cross border operations.
- **WoS coordination:** Coordination with the Syria hub is ongoing for their planned response in Dar'a.

	Dara			Aleppo		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 70,000 IDPs reported at its peak</li> <li>● Current reports indicate an estimated 42,000 IDPs</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 70,000 IDPs reported by CCCM cluster (18 Feb)</li> <li>● Partners report over 16,000 IDPs in Eastern Aleppo City.</li> <li>● Close to 150,000 – 200,000 residents in Eastern Aleppo City</li> </ul>		
	Jordan hub summary (people)			South Turkey Hub summary (people)		
	Cross border (XB) NGOs	WFP XB	Total	XB NGOs (as of 11 Feb)	WFP XB	Total
Reached	4,500	55,760	60,260	49,335	65,150	114,485
Planned (including pre positioning)	2,925	12,520	15,445	202,105	155,350	357,445
	Additionally; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 10,000 food baskets planned from Syria hub by ICRC (Tafs)</li> <li>● 9,705 RTE in stock with WFP</li> <li>● Flour from XB partner is targeted at 600 MT per week to bakeries to provide free bread</li> </ul>			Additionally; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A UN IA convoy planned for 45,000 households is currently being deconflicted with South Turkey based actors</li> </ul>		