

Daily Key messages

Partners have continued to deliver life saving assistance despite significant challenges posed by insecurity. Fuel imports and guarantees of security are urgently needed to scale up response efforts to reach people in need of assistance.

Overview

Hundreds of families are reported to have fled Attawahi District, Aden Governorate by sea. Parties to the conflict were reported to be attacking the dock in Attawahi and shooting at residents attempting to leave.

In Aden, the city's main hospital, Al Jumhouria Hospital, has been out of operation for several weeks. Similarly, Basaheeb Military Hospital, the main hospital treating civilians from Al Mualla and Al Tawahi districts is reportedly no longer operating. Health workers in Lawder District (Abyan) report they are unable to respond to urgent health care needs unless on going conflict and violence cease.

Airstrikes reportedly took place on 6 May in Sahar District, Sa'ada Governorate. In the last 24 hours, airstrikes and artillery shelling were reportedly carried out in different locations in Haradh and Midi districts in Hajjah Governorate. In Hudaydah, multiple airstrikes hit the airport and other targets surrounding the city.

Displacement and casualties

On 6 May, airstrikes, reportedly killed 34 people in Sahar District, Sa'ada Governorate and four injured. Nine deaths and eleven injuries were reported in Dhamar Governorate. 20 deaths and 50 injuries were reported in Sana'a.

Access and humanitarian response

Food assistance was provided to 20,000 people in Amran on 5 and 6 May, making a total of 1,115,000 people reached with food assistance since 15 April in eight governorates (Aden, Al Mahwit, Amran, Dhamar, Hajjah, Hudaydah, Lahj and Sana'a). Partners report severe fuel shortages are preventing delivery of further food assistance.

Partners distributed 33 water tanks in Abs District sufficient for 1,100 internally displaced families and the host community 175,000 liters of water through water trucking to 682 displaced families in Az Zuhrah district in Hudaydah, and to 1,421 displaced families in Haradh, Hayran and Abs districts in Hajjah Governorate, as well as to rural Abs Hospital.

Nine health facilities received water trucking in Abs, Haradh and Hayran districts in Hajjah Governorate, and two health facilities in Majz District, Sa'ada Governorate. Despite insecurity, volunteers have distributed 50,000 chlorine tablets and 500 jerry cans (20 litres to 300 families) in Sa'ada. Water supplies and jerry cans were also distributed to 480 IDPs in Ja'ar City, Abyan Governorate, where many IDPs from Aden are staying. Water trucking and jerry can distribution was also carried out to IDPs in Abyan and Al Dhale'e and benefitting 393 families. 3,000 hygiene kits were also distributed to IDPs in Sa'ada Governorate.

Shelter kits were distributed to 38 newly displaced households in Al Buraieqeh that fled their homes in Amran and other districts in Aden. 100 mattresses and blankets were delivered to IDP families staying in Oil Refinery Hospital compound in Al Buraieqeh

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