

## OXFAM RESPONSE

In response to the current crisis Oxfam has supported **856,450 individuals**

### Hajjah and Al Hudaydah

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### Amran

The water trucking activities have continued to reach 54,607 individuals while Oxfam continued the implementation of the water trucking exit strategy. It has continued progress to ensure ownership and sustainability of water supply for local partners. It supported local capacities and renovated the Huth city's water network. Some 523 SWM kits were distributed in Khamir and Huth to support communities' clean up campaigns.

### Taiz

The scale up activities are increasing in this war torn Governorate. Trucking emergency clean water has reached badly affected areas benefiting 45,282 people. In Al Shamayatayn , 39 households received their food vouchers.

### Aden

Under the MoU to support the Abyan's LWSC's operation of water supply network, Oxfam constructed a water pump room and control panels and installed the water booster pump. The team installed 2 electrical transformers for LWSC in each of Al Asalah and Al Marqed areas in Zingibar district. The team also delivered the welding machine and batteries to Radfan LWSC in Lahej governorate.



School girls during a hygiene promotion event in Aden

## HUMANITARIAN UPDATE

Recent data released by the Ministry of Planning and International Cooperation, has highlighted the repeated shocks to the YER exchange rate. The report stated reasons were difficulties in physical foreign currency transfers and reduced foreign currency reserves. The update also highlighted reduced donor development support as a priority in mitigating the impending crisis. Despite the establishment of UNVIM in February, this has yet to be operationalised. Imports remain highly variable with unconfirmed reports of the coalition continuing to block commercial vessels.

The UNSG Envoy to Yemen said that a nationwide ceasefire is to begin on April 10 in advance of April 18 peace talks in Kuwait. The ceasefire is intended to allow humanitarian access to all affected areas. Meanwhile, the WFP warns of looming famine in nearly half of Yemen.

## **OXFAM PROGRAMMES**

### **HAJJAH AND AL HUDAYDAH**

INDIVIDUALS ASSISTED: 546,945

LOCATIONS: Az Zuhrah, Al Sukhnah, Hays (Al Hudaydah), Abs, Haradh, Hayran (Hajjah)

#### **ACTIVITIES:**

Over the past few weeks Oxfam's teams in Hajjah and Al Hudaydah have been working on their ongoing operational scale up. They reached internally displaced people (IDPs) as well as host community members in urgent need of humanitarian assistance. Please read our detailed breakdown of the number of people reached with each activity.

#### **Cash for Work**

Specialists are entering data of the 36 Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) conducted with IDPs and host community in 3 new Hajjah districts of Kuaydanah, Bani Qais and Aslam to better inform the 2016/2017 EFSVL strategy. The EFSVL team developed the draft work plan for March-August 2016 and the draft beneficiaries targeting policy.

#### **WASH**

##### **Water**

Oxfam is continuing phasing out water trucking in all target areas. During the reporting period, it continued small scale rehabilitation for **3** Water Supply Schemes (WSSs) in Hayran. It subsidised operation of **23** WSSs with **6,550** litres of diesel. It started a technical assessment to identify needs to rehabilitate or improve WSSs **10** in Abs, **2** in Hayran and **10** in Az Zuhrah.

The team installed and successfully tested equipment provided to the local water and sanitation corporations in Hajjah town and Mabyan district . This support will serve 120,000 people with running water.

##### **Assessment**

A joint team from Oxfam and WHO conducted a rapid WASH assessment in Al Jamimah district in eastern Hajjah. Findings showed that the area was in desperate need for water.

##### **Public Health Promotion**

The field teams and volunteers increased the beneficiary IDPs and host communities' involvement in its hygiene promotion activities. They mobilized households to conduct a total of **428** clean up campaigns, and visited a total of 13,474 households in three districts to monitor the change in their hygiene behaviour. 393 hygiene awareness sessions, targeting 10,901 HHs, were held to prevent diarrhoea. A total of 397 Jerry-can cleaning campaigns were undertaken, involving 10,242 households with 10,770 jerry cans cleaned. The team held the Global World Water Day event in a school where 2,350 students, teachers and CHVs participated in a lecture on water rationalization.

##### **Hygiene kits**

The team distributed 978 hygiene kits for new IDPs who arrived in Abs (793 male, 185 female-headed HHs).

## **AMRAN**

INDIVIDUALS ASSISTED: 54,607

LOCATION: Khamir, Huth, Al-Qaflah and Bani Suraim

## Food Security

Oxfam has revived the local social capital values by intensifying community participation in organization, planning and monitoring CfW activities. The team facilitated 16 community consultation meetings for 1,525 people including 479 women, in 8 villages who have agreed on culturally appropriate types of work for men and women with special emphasis on female-headed households. The communities selected a joint 52-member committee, with 38-female representatives. Its mandate will be to work closely with our team in activities' designing, monitoring and problem solving. The committee agreed on CfW activities and on the number of beneficiaries in each village. The objective of this committee is to ensure output quality, community ownership and utilization from deliverables.

## WASH

### Water

Daily water trucking has continued to support **54,607** war-affected individuals in all target districts through 221 Oxfam's distribution tanks. Parallel activities ensure water safety, adequacy and quality. The teams distributed 111 cleaning tools for beneficiaries to ensure sustainable tank cleaning. The team held awareness sessions and water tanks' cleaning campaign that cleaned 1,282 jerry cans and 90 water tanks.

As Oxfam is phasing out water trucking, it has continued progress to ensure ownership and sustainability of water supply for local partners. It supported local capacities and renovated the Huth city's water network.

### Public Health Promotion

Hygiene promotion activities have continued to reduce morbidity through beneficiaries' engagement. The team and CHVs organized 170 hygiene sessions on safe water chain. They reached 910 household and organised 170 hygiene awareness sessions in all target districts. Oxfam marked the GWWD in Khamir city that has suffered a protracted severe scarcity of ground water and public running water due to civil unrest and conflicts for the last ten years.

A Children And Hygiene and Sanitation Training (CHAST) was conducted for 16 male and 11 female teachers from Huth and Khamir. The training focussed on effective ways of hygienic behaviour change for children.

Some 30 of the affected socially excluded groups living in Khamir have been provided CfW temporary jobs in solid waste management activities after two consultation meetings with the community and authorities in order to address spread of solid waste and the population's reluctance to volunteer in such an activity. Selection criteria for CfW-SWM activity were developed in the meetings.

### Sanitation

We also desludged and safely disposed 53m<sup>3</sup> of latrine waste in Khamir and Huth.

### SWM kits

A total of 523 SWM kits were distributed in Khamir and Huth to support planned communities' campaigns on waste disposal. 61 of those kits were distributed to the schools (5,034 boys and 3,406 girls overall students population).

### Community participation

In Huth, the team involved Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) with 27 male teachers, 19 female teachers, 15 male parents, 12 female parents, 34 girls and 26 boys to identify their needs. The FGDs focussed on the existing community capacities, WASH existing support, gaps and culturally appropriate WASH activities that Oxfam could undertake in schools.

## TAIZ

INDIVIDUALS ASSISTED: 153,898

### Food Security

In Al Shamayatayn , 39 households received their food vouchers. The team also updated the list of beneficiaries in the villages of Al-Shamayah Al-Sharqiah, Al-Shamayah Al-Gharbiah, Al-Rajaeh , Banishibah Sharq , BaniMohammed, Al-Kawirah, Al-Buthigah, Al-Quarishah and Al-Azeaz.

### WASH

#### Water

The team continued trucking emergency clean water to all served areas benefiting **45,282** affected individuals in the governorate with more than 124 m<sup>3</sup>/day through 50 water points. Oxfam has trucked a total of 12,285 m<sup>3</sup> of safe water to Taiz areas since 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2015.

#### Public Hygiene Promotion

Despite the security risks in several parts of the governorate, the teams and CHVs have conducted a total of 51 hygiene awareness sessions for 127 households composed of 888 people in 8 villages in Al Taizyah district. The sessions focused on hygiene practices, safe water chain, proper use and maintenance of latrine facilities, and SWM. 857 beneficiaries in 5 villages have been mobilized to clean jerry cans during 581 cleaning campaigns.

In Al Shamayatayn, 56 jerry can cleaning campaigns occurred in Al-Azaez and Al Maqarima sub districts where a total of 1,248 jerry cans were cleaned. Al-Rajaeah sub-district, organized one event where about 800 persons attended. The team distributed 45 sets of SWM tools, in addition to other 138 sets distributed previously under the safekeeping of 54 village SWM committees. The team mobilized the community and launched 21 SWM campaigns involving 407 individuals in Al Batrah, Nagdeen and Al Hadath villages.

The team was able to facilitate the Global Hand washing event celebration in 3 schools between 22-24 March, 2016.

#### Solid Waste Management (SWM)

In Al Shamayatayn, the MoU with the Cleaning Fund for Al Turbah City was closed; we are seeking for a possible support on SWM from other actors. The CHVs mobilised 923 beneficiaries to conduct 62 campaigns that reduced the 174 garbage collection points by 71 points. The team conducted awareness raising sessions in Al Turba City on SWM and various hygiene practices. The team facilitated a discussion with women groups about the importance of hygiene practices to prevent water communicable diseases.

Al Turbah team organized 3 festivals marking the WWD in schools in Al-Azaez, Bani Shayba Al-Sharq and Al-Qaraysha sub-districts for 3 subsequent days. Village boards, water committees, health and education offices attended the event.

### **Hygiene kits**

The team distributed 181 hygiene kits to 142 IDPs and 39 host community households with relevant hygiene awareness sessions prior to the distribution.

## **ADEN AND SOUTHERN GOVERNORATES**

Oxfam is working in 4 southern governorates of Aden, Lahj, Al Dhale'e and Abyan to provide water and sanitation. We are supporting the Aden LWSC by providing equipment to ensure that water can be pumped to 800,000 people in Aden. We are also supporting the Cleaning Fund in Aden with equipment and tools to keep streets and areas clear of rubbish, and conducting public health promotion activities in 8 schools. Oxfam is also working with the Lahj and Abyan LWSCs, supporting them with equipment, to serve a total of 80,000 people with water. After an initial assessment in Al Dhale'e, Oxfam plans to support the local Cleaning Fund with equipment and tools to keep the city clean, thus benefitting 20,000 persons.



### **Water**

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The team also delivered the welding machine and batteries to Radfan LWSC in Lahej governorate.

### **Public Health Promotion**

Oxfam has concluded its support to the Hygiene and Sanitation Clubs (HSCs) in 8 boys and girls' schools in all Aden's districts. Marking this event, the team and HSCs' supervisors held the Scientific Hygiene and sanitation Exhibition and marked the WWD under the motto (Water and Jobs) and disseminated SMART messages on both occasions. The event was well attended by representatives of local authority and educational officials and some INGO partners.

School-based Hygiene and Sanitation Clubs have organised awareness activities on girls' hygiene at pubertal and menstrual periods through 27 lectures in four girl schools. The sessions were conducted by a female gynaecological and obstetric specialist in the target girls Schools. 100 female SHCs members facilitated the sessions for a total beneficiaries of 1,768 female students.

## **TOTAL BENEFICIARIES REACHED BY OXFAM**

Governorate	District	Activity	New Reached HHs (This week)	Old HHs Reached	Current Cumulative				
					HHs Reached	Persons Reached	Women	Men	Children
Al Hudaydah	Az Zuhrah	Water Trucking	0	8,882	8,882	62,174	17,669	18,391	26,113
		WSS	0	2,204	2,204	15,428	4,166	4,628	6,634
		Latrine	0	1,474	1,474	10,318	3,052	2,932	4,334
		Hygiene promotion	0	16,179	16,179	113,253	32,186	33,501	47,567
		UCT	0	2,243	2,243	15,701	4,463	4,643	6,595
		Hygiene kits	0	5426	5,426	37,982	10,794	11,235	15,953
	Al Sukhna	UCT	0	1,900	1,900	13,300	3780	3934	5586
	Hays	UCT	0	2,100	2,100	14,700	4178	4348	6174
Hudaydah	Sanitation repair	0	5,143	5,143	36,001	9,720	10,800	15,481	
Hajjah	Abs	Water trucking	0	16,712	16,712	116,984	33,247	34,604	49,133
		WSS	0	3,543	3,543	24,801	7,048	7,336	10,416
		Hygiene promotion	0	19,597	19,597	137,179	37,038	41,154	58,987
		Hygiene kits	978	4,498	5,476	38,332	9583	9966	18783
		Latrines	0	1,216	1,216	8,512	2,298	2,554	3,660
		UCT	0	4,311	4,311	30,177	8,578	8,923	12676
		Shelter	0	2,664	2,664	18,648	5,035	5,594	8,019
		Cash for work	0	2,000	2,000	14,000	3,980	4,140	5,880
	SWM	0	3,857	3,857	26,999	7,673	7,986	11,340	
	Hayran	Water trucking	0	4,029	4,029	28,203	7,615	8,461	12,127
		Hygiene promotion	0	6,196	6,196	43,372	11,710	13,011	18,651
		Hygiene Kits	0	3,401	3,401	23,807	6,428	7,142	10,238
		Latrines	0	368	368	2,576	696	772	1108
		Shelter kits	0	2,422	2,422	16,954	4,578	5,086	7,290
		SWM	0	4,714	4,714	32,998	9,378	9,762	13,858
	Haradh	Water trucking	0	9,518	9,518	66,626	18,935	19,708	27,983
	Hajja	Urban WSS	0	14,114	14,114	98,798	28,078	29,225	41,496
	Mabyan	Urban WSS	0	3,388	3,388	23716	6,403	7114.8	10,198
Total unique beneficiaries		Hudaydah & Hajjah	978	60,633	60,633	546,945	152,026	162,796	232,123
Amran	Khamir, Huth, AlQafrah	Water trucking	0	7,801	7,801	54,607	14,199	15,288	25,121
		Latrines	0	1629	1629	11,403	2965	3193	5245
		PHP	0	7,619	7,619	53,319	21,751	20,795	10,773
Khamir	Food voucher	0	2826	2826	19,852	5,312	5,835	8,705	
	Winterization kits	0	751	751	5827	869	725	4,233	
Total unique beneficiaries		Amran	0	7,801	7,801	54,607	14,199	15,288	25,121
Taiz	Taiz	Water trucking	0	7928	7928	55,495	11384	11908	32203
		Winterisation Kit	0	700	716	5,012	1,353	1,504	2,155
	Al Shamayatayn	Hygiene Kits	0	654	848	5,936	1,602	1,781	2,553
		PHP	0	12,271	12,271	86,849	29,312	19,989	37,548
Al Turbah City	Solid waste	0	5,252	5,252	36,765	7,875	7,566	21324	
Total unique beneficiaries		Taiz	0	21,957	21,957	153,898	42,732	37,173	73,992
Aden City		Water/maintenance	0	11,571	11,571	81,000	21,870	24,300	34830
Lahej	AlHawtah	Water/maintenance	0	2,357	2,357	20,000	5,400	6,000	8,600
Grand Total			978	104,319	104,319	856,450	236,227	245,557	374,666