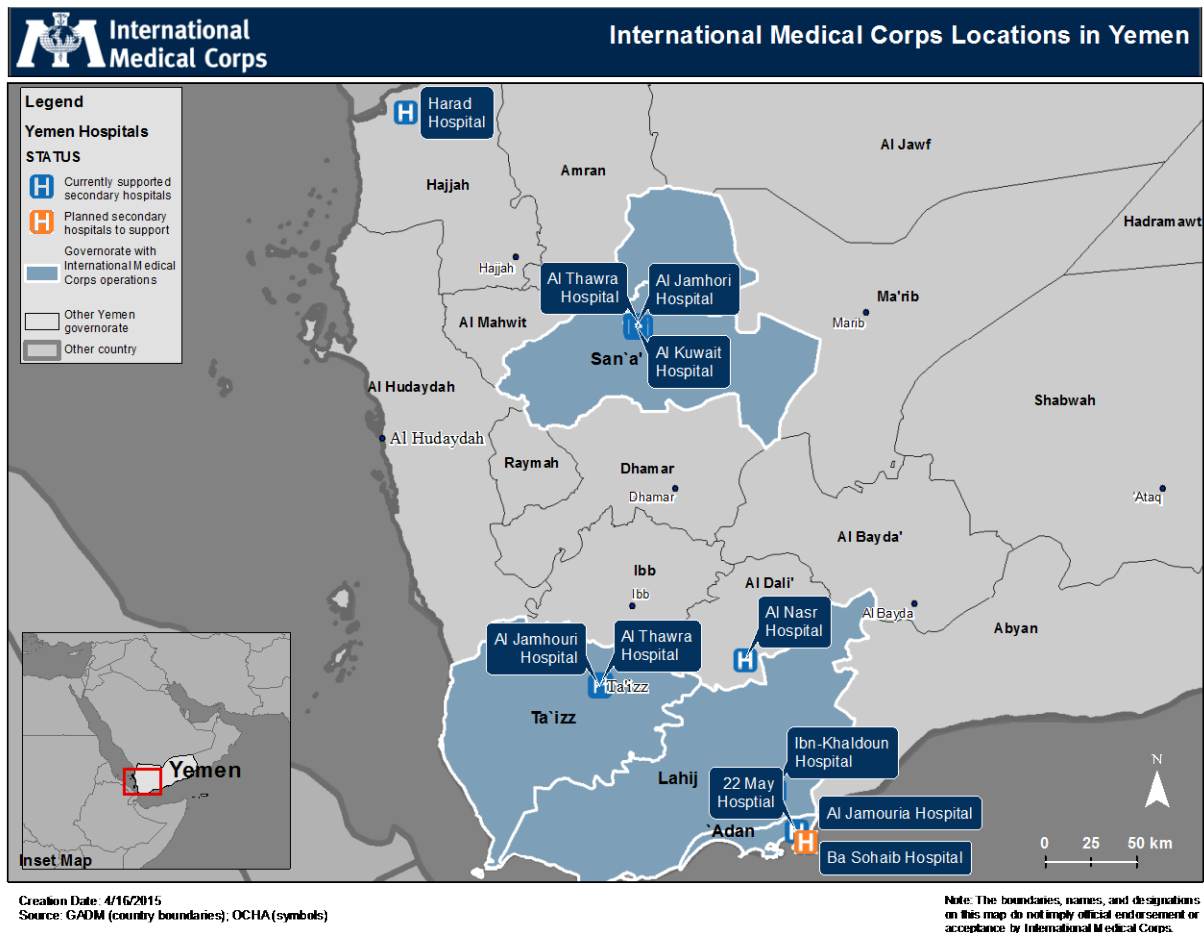


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International Medical Corps has delivered medical supplies, emergency pharmaceuticals, and water to the hospitals listed in the map.

Executive Summary

The humanitarian pause provided limited relief to the over 12 million Yemenis in need across the country. Security issues and lack of fuel prevented many vulnerable communities from getting the help they needed, and violence increased immediately following the end of the humanitarian pause. Conflicting parties have agreed to talks in Geneva next week, but fighting has continued in the interim days, especially in Sana'a and Marib. There continue to be large gaps in supplies of food, water, medical supplies, and fuel.

International Medical Corps continues to provide support to primary care health facilities and hospitals, including the water trucking and delivery of health and nutrition supplies. Mobile medical units are also operating in vulnerable communities, providing health and nutrition screening as well as emergency support to hospitals.

Significant Events:

- Talks between Yemen's conflicting parties will take place in Geneva, Switzerland on May 28, and both the government and combatants indicated they would attend.
- Iran announced the cargo ship sailing toward Yemen would stop in Djibouti for international inspections before docking in Hodaida.
- Airstrikes hit an international humanitarian organization's office in northern Yemen on Thursday, killing five Ethiopian refugees and wounding ten.
- Food, fuel, water and medical supplies remain in great need across much of the country.
- WFP has reported that nearly half of Yemen's population is food insecure, and 545,719 people are newly internally displaced.

International Medical Corps Response:

- 2500 hygiene kits were delivered to Bani Mansour health facility in Al- Haymah Al-Kharjiah district to be distributed next week.
- Water trucking to Al Jamhour Hospital and 26th of September Hospital in Sana'a has continued.
- Trauma kits will be distributed to hospitals in Sana'a, Saada, and Amran next week.

Detailed Report

Key Developments

U.N. Chief Ban Ki-moon announced this past Wednesday that talks between Yemen's conflicting parties would take place in Geneva, Switzerland on May 28, and both the government and combatants indicated they would attend.¹ Ki-moon indicated that the U.N. Special Envoy to Yemen, Ismail Ould Cheikh Ahmed, was responsible for bringing the parties to the negotiation table.

Iran also announced that the cargo ship sailing toward Yemen would stop in Djibouti for international inspections before docking in Hodaida.² The ship is carrying 2,500 tons of food and medical supplies.

Fighting continued this week, especially in the northern town of Mayde, along the Saudi-Yemen border. Reuters reported that airstrikes hit an international humanitarian organization's office in northern Yemen on Thursday, killing five Ethiopian refugees and wounding ten.³ The name of the organization has not been released. Tribal leaders said more than 15 combatants and one Saudi officer were killed during fighting on Wednesday along the border.

On Friday, airstrikes hit the capital city of Sana'a, focusing on the presidential compound and mountainous areas outside the city, both of which have been controlled by combatants.⁴ There were also multiple airstrikes on Marib.

Also in Sana'a on Friday, a bomb exploded at a Shi'a mosque on Friday, wounding 13 people. Initial reports stated that the Islamic State claimed responsibility for the attack via Twitter.⁵

¹ Al Jazeera: [Yemen peace talks to resume in shadow of conflict](#). 20 May 2015

² Ibid.

³ Reuters: [Saudi shells hit Yemen aid office, killing five](#). 21 May 2015

⁴ Reuters: [Saudi-led coalition steps up airstrikes on Houthis in Yemen's Sanaa: residents](#). 22 May 2015

⁵ Reuters: [ISIS Claims Yemen Mosque Attack Via Twitter Statement](#). 22 May 2015

WFP has reported that nearly half of Yemen's population is food insecure, and 545,719 people are newly internally displaced.⁶ UN OCHA is reporting 1,820 deaths recorded in health facilities since 19 March, but the actual number of deaths is likely higher as people are unable to reach health facilities due to lack of fuel and secure travel.⁷

On Thursday, two planes of Yemenis arrived from Egypt and India, bolstered by the announcement of peace talks.⁸ Daily flights are planned for the remainder of the month to provide Yemenis an avenue back into the country.

Despite the advancements in talks, food, fuel, water, and medical supplies are still in need in Yemen. BBC reported a story about a Yemeni who prior to the conflict had traveled regularly to India for leukemia treatment.⁹ When the violence prevented further travel, his family managed to pay for a month's supply of medicine, but unsafe travel conditions have stopped the medicine from reaching Aden. The man's plight is now a common one in Yemen, as much of the country is now vulnerable as the violence has stretched over two months.

Food, fuel, water and medical supplies remain in great need across much of the country. The humanitarian pause made only a small dent in extensive humanitarian gaps, and International Medical Corps requires continued supplies and safe passage of materials and staff throughout the country to provide support to vulnerable communities.

International Medical Corps Response

International Medical Corps continues to provide supplies and services to support health facilities across the country.

In Sana'a, 2,500 hygiene kits were delivered to Bani Mansour Health Facility in Al Haymah Al Kharjiah district. The team is currently working with the local communities and the District Health Office to develop a distribution plan; distribution is planned for next week.



International Medical Corps' IDP assessments in Taiz.



Trauma kits arrived in Sana'a airport and will be distributed next week.

⁶ WFP: [Yemen Situation Report #6](#), 15 May 2015

⁷ UN OCHA: [Yemen: Humanitarian Pause Situation Report No. 5](#), 17 May 2015

⁸ Euronews: [Stranded Yemenis return home as UN Peace talks are announced](#), 21 May 2015

⁹ BBC: [Yemeni volunteers come to aid of beleaguered citizens](#), 19 May 2015

Water has been trucked to Al Jamhuri Hospital (24,000 liters) and 26th September Hospital (2,400 liters) this week. Water trucking will continue to these two facilities until the end of the month.

Next week, trauma kits A&B will be distributed to three hospitals in Sana'a, including Al-Gamhouri Hospital, Al Thawra Hospital, and Al Kuwait Hospital. An additional two kits will be distributed to Amran Hospital in Amran and Al Gamhouri Hospital in Saada.

In Taiz, hygiene kits have been distributed to IDPs in Al Swaidah village in Mawiah District for 22 families (138 persons; 59 females/79 males.) The kits included dry soap, 20 liter plastic bottles, sanitary pads for women, baby diapers, and powdered soap.

International Medical Corps' teams continue to assess a community of IDPs in Al-Rahidah District in Taiz. The community consists of 49 families displaced from Lahj (197 persons; 92 females and 105 males) and are currently located in a school building.

In Lahj, mobile teams are providing support to Makhran Health Facility and Al Musaymir Hospital. Two additional mobile teams are providing care in the Al Duraih area after receiving fuel. One International Medical Corps mobile team in Al Milah is currently not functioning due to fuel shortage.

In Aden and Lahj, all 18 health facilities are currently providing health and nutrition services. Staff have been monitoring the distribution of drugs to hospitals in Aden, Lahj, and all health facilities.

International Medical Corps has also compiled a list of IDPs in Aden and Lahj governorate, in the targeted districts, and is preparing Food, Security, and Livelihoods interventions for the communities.

International Medical Corps Humanitarian Pause Activities

International Medical Corps' activities during the pause are outlined in the tables below. The health and nutrition supplies distributed to the health facilities consisted of a two-month supply.

Health and Nutrition Supplies Distribution to International Medical Corps-supported Health Facilities During Humanitarian Pause (13th -17th May 2015)

Governorate	District Name	Health Facility	Item received	MT	Drugs	Comments
Sana'a	Sanhan District	wadi Al Ajbar	WSB, Plumpy Sup	1.52	PHC	
		Ghaiman	WSB, Plumpy Sup	1.3	PHC	
		Bahran	WSB, Plumpy Sup	1.8	PHC	
		Artil	WSB, Plumpy Sup	2.05	PHC	
		17 July H	WSB, Plumpy Sup	25.08	PHC	
		Joob	WSB, Plumpy Sup	1.32	PHC	
		Saia'an	WSB, Plumpy Sup	2.27	PHC	
		Qa'a Al Qaidi	WSB, Plumpy Sup	1.68	PHC	
		Dajah	WSB, Plumpy Sup	1.6	PHC	
		Al Dhaba'at	WSB, Plumpy Sup	1.74	PHC	
Sana'a	Belad Al-Roos district	Walan health centre		/	/	Waiting for Nutrition

		Khedar Health centre	Supplies prepositioning delayed to the next week	/	/	commodities to be received from WFP in order to make one visit
		Jarif HU		/	/	
		Saadon Health centre		/	/	
Sana'a	Bani Matar District	massiab	WSB, Plumpy Sup	2.28	PHC	
		Wagash	WSB, Plumpy Sup	4.21	PHC	
		26 hospital	WSB, Plumpy Sup	7.9	PHC	
		Hadran	WSB, Plumpy Sup	3.2	PHC	
		Bait rijal	WSB, Plumpy Sup	2.2	PHC	
		Qata'a al sharf	WSB, Plumpy Sup	4.3	Yes	
Sana'a	Alh ayma Alkarijiah	Bani manswr	WSB, Plumpy Sup	4.6	Yes	2500 Hygiene kits prepositioned to Bani Mansour HF for distribution to take place in the next week
		Wadi Siham	WSB, Plumpy Sup	2.6	Yes	
		Bani Walid	WSB, Plumpy Sup	2.5	Yes	
		A'abah	WSB, Plumpy Sup	5.7	Yes	
		Total	20 HFs		79.85	

Gover norate	District	HFs\Items	Nutriton commodities	MT	Drugs	Comments
Taiz	Maqbanah	ALMadhrobah	Plumpy doz, Plumpy Nut, WSB	1.07	PHC	
		ALNasser	Plumpy doz, WSB, Plumpy Nut	0.75	PHC	
		AL-Saeeda	Plumpy doz, WSB	0.63	PHC	
		AL-Madhapee	Plumpy doz, WSB, Plumpy Sup, Plumpy Nut	1.3	PHC	
		Hemyar AL-Gabal	Plumpy doz, WSB, Plumpy Nut	0.92	PHC	
		AL-Gamahera	Plumpy doz, WSB, Plumpy Sup, Plumpy Nut	1.34	PHC	
Taiz	AL-Taeziya	Wadi Hageb	Plumpy doz, Plumpy Nut	0.49	PHC	
		Haima Sofla	Plumpy Doz	0.35	PHC	
		AL-Zawaker	Plumpy doz	0.47	PHC	
		Haima Olya	Plumpy doz, Plumpy Nut	0.86	PHC	
		AL-Amaker	Plumpy doz, Plumpy Nut	0.72	PHC	

		AlKaraeb	Plumpy doz, WSB, Plumpy Sup, Plumpy Nut	0.83	PHC	
Taiz	Mawiya	Mahreba	Plumpy doz, WSB	0.59	PHC	
		Bani Obaidan	Plumpy doz, WSB	0.97	PHC	
		Garane'a	Plumpy doz	0.23	PHC	
		Radea'a	Plumpy doz, WSB, Plumpy Nut	0.67	PHC	
		Assekh Obaid	Plumpy doz, WSB, Plumpy Sup, Plumpy Nut	0.95	PHC	
		Shawkan	Plumpy doz, WSB, Plumpy Sup, Plumpy Nut	1.29	PHC	
Taiz	Dimnat Khadir	AL-Hoqaibah	Plumpy doz, WSB, Plumpy Nut	1.01	PHC	
	Total	19 HF's		14.37		

Surgical and Emergency Kits Distribution to Hospitals/Health Centers		
Items	Total Quantity	Distribution
General Surgery Instruments Set	5 sets	3 for 22 May Hospital-Aden
		1 for Al-Masafi Hospital-Aden
		1 for Al-Habelin Hospital-Lahij
Minor Surgery Set	3 set	1 for 22 May Hospital-Aden
		1 for Al-Masafi Hospital-Aden
		1 for Al-Habelin Hospital-Lahij
Vascular Set	2 set	2 for 22 May Hospital-Aden
Small Orthopedic Set	2 set	2 for 22 May Hospital-Aden
Orthopedic Major Trauma Set	2 set	2 for 22 May Hospital-Aden
Suture Set	4 set	4 for 22 May Hospital-Aden
Laparotomy Set	1 set	1 for 22 May Hospital-Aden
Central Venous Catheter	10 pieces	10 for 22 May Hospital-Aden
Major Trauma Kit	1 kit	1 for 22 May Hospital-Aden
IEHK	1 kit	½ for Twban Health Facilities – Lahj
		1/10 for Enma Emergency Center – Aden
		4/10 for Gehaf, Dobiati, Al-Shoaeb and Alazariq HF's – Al Dala'a
Italian Trauma Kit	1 kit	¼ for Al-Habelin Hospital – Lahj
		¼ for October Hospital – Yaf'a
		¼ for Modia Hospital – Abyan
		¼ for Haban Hospital – Shabwa
Italian Emergency Kit A&B	3 kits	1 for 22 May Hospital – Aden



		1/3 for Al Ghumhoria Hospital – Aden
		1/3 for Modia & Razi Hospitals – Abyan
		1/3 for Al-Nasser and Al-Shoaeab Hospital – Al Dala’a
		½ for Al Habelien Hospital – Lahj
		½ October Hospital - Yafee

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