Northeast: Over 4,000 people displaced by fighting in Badakhshan

Fighting between Afghan National Security Forces (ANSF) and a Non-State Armed Group (NSAG) continued in Badakhshan, Baghlan, Kunduz and Takhar provinces. Ongoing fighting displaced 606 families (approximately 4,242 people) in Jorm and Baharak districts, Badakhshan province. Between 2 and 3 May, four men were reportedly killed in a coal mine and 50 houses destroyed by severe flooding in five different villages of Tala Wa Barfak district, Baghlan province in northeast Afghanistan. Severe flooding affected harvests and livelihoods with most affected families temporarily staying with their relatives.

2,100 people affected by conflict received humanitarian assistance in Baghlan, Kunduz and Takhar provinces. 413 people displaced by conflict were identified by interagency assessment teams to receive humanitarian assistance in Badakhshan province in the coming days.

East: Over 74,000 people received humanitarian assistance

The security situation remains volatile in the east and resulted in civilian casualties mostly in Kunar and Nangarhar provinces.

An estimated 40,000 to 50,000 people have returned to Afghanistan since 6 April according to the IOM. On 28 April, reportedly, more than 3,500 people from Afghanistan returned from Pakistan to Afghanistan through the Torkham border after been stuck due to the border closure. Movements of cargo and trucks continued three times a week through the Torkham border crossing.
Across east, a total of 3,829 people affected by natural disasters and conflict including returnees received relief items, food, WASH and multipurpose cash. Also, 70,273 people received food under WFP’s seasonal support program from 12 to 30 April in Kunar, Laghman and Nangarhar provinces.

In addition, 3,125 returnees, Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) and people from host communities were reached with emergency outpatient health services. A total of 171 children were vaccinated for polio and measles. Interagency assessment teams identified 2,891 people across the east to receive immediate humanitarian assistance.

North: People affected by conflict and natural disasters reached with humanitarian assistance

Clashes between ANSF and an NSAG continued in Balkh, Faryab, Samangan, Sar-e-Pul and Jawzjan provinces. Reportedly, many families were affected by a severe flash flood in Faryab and Samangan provinces. Interagency teams started began needs assessments in Samangan province on 2 May.

Inter-agency assessment teams verified 168 people affected by flash floods in Faryab province and 532 people displaced by conflict in Balkh, Faryab, Sar-e-Pul and Jawzjan provinces. In addition, 2,261 people affected by conflict and natural disasters received humanitarian assistance in Balkh, Faryab and Jawzjan provinces.

South: Health services for almost 11,000 people were interrupted due to ongoing fighting in Hilmand

The security situation in the south remains volatile and fighting continued mainly in Kandahar, Uruzgan and Zabul provinces. According to initial reports, 250 people were displaced to Qalat due to ongoing fighting between ANSF and an NSAG in Zabul province. The ongoing fighting also resulted in the suspension of health services in a clinic in Kajaki district in Hilmand province affecting more than 11,000 people.

Interagency assessment teams identified 303 people affected by flooding to receive humanitarian assistance in Chakhansur district in Nimroz province in the coming days. Needs assessments for people affected by conflict are ongoing in Kandahar province.

Centre: Over 500 people received humanitarian assistance

On 29 April, three civilians were reportedly killed and 15 others wounded by a suicide attack in the Reshkhor area of Chahar Asyab district in Kabul province. No group claimed responsibility for the attack. In another incident, on 29 April at least five civilians were reportedly killed including women and children in Andar district in Ghazni province by an Improvise Explosive Device (IED) detonation.

525 people affected by natural disasters and conflict received humanitarian assistance in Ghazni and Khost provinces. In addition, 735 people affected by natural disasters were identified for assistance in Kapisa province.

As part of the COVID-19 response, the government is constructing a hospital with 100 beds in Gardez, Paktya province.

West: 2,800 people displaced due to fighting in Badghis and Ghor

The security situation remained unstable across the west during the reporting period. Ongoing fighting continued and more than 400 families (approximately, 2,800 people) were displaced in Badghis and Ghor provinces.

During the reporting period, 149 people affected by conflict received assistance in Farah, Ghor and Hirat provinces. 294 people affected by flash floods were reached with humanitarian assistance in Badghis province. Needs assessments of families affected by flash floods are ongoing in Ghor province.

From 25 to 30 of April, 2,882 undocumented returnees came back from Iran, out of which around 21 per cent (605 people) received humanitarian aid at the point of entry and at a transit centre in Hirat city.

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