The scale, severity and complexity of humanitarian needs of people in Syria remain extensive. This is the result of continued hostilities in some areas of the country, new and protracted displacement, increased self-organized returns and the sustained erosion of communities’ resilience after more than eight years of crisis.

The figures and findings reflected in the 2019 Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) represent the independent analysis of the United Nations (UN) and its humanitarian partners based on information available to them. While the Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) aims to provide consolidated humanitarian analysis and data to help inform joint strategic planning, many of the figures provided throughout the document are estimates based on sometimes incomplete and partial data sets using the methodologies for collection that were available at the time. The Government of Syria has expressed its reservations over the data sources and methodology of assessments used to inform the HNO as well as a number of HNO findings reflected in the HRP. This applies throughout the document.

**KEY FIGURES**

- **PEOPLE IN NEED**: 11.7M
- **PEOPLE TARGETED**: 9M (Direct Assistance), 11.7M (Service Delivery)
- **FUNDING REQUIREMENTS (US$)**: 3.32BN

**INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS (IDPs)**

- 6.2M
  - UN IDP Task Force, as of August 2018

**IDP AND REFUGEE SPONTANEOUS RETURNEES**

- 1.4M
  - UN IDP Task Force and UNHCR, as of December 2018

**PALESTINIAN REFUGEES**

- 445K
  - Palestinian refugees remaining in Syria are in need of humanitarian assistance

**FOOD INSECURITY**

- 6.5M
  - UNRWA, as of January 2019

**HEALTH CARE FACILITIES**

- 46% of health facilities are not fully functional

**WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE**

- 15.5M people require WASH assistance, 6.2 million of whom are considered in acute need

**PROTECTION**

- Increasingly complex and inter-linked protection needs continue to exist across Syria, resulting from a variety of situations ranging from direct exposure to hostilities, displacement, poor conditions in sites/collective shelters, protracted displacement, and return to destroyed and impoverished communities
SAVE LIVES
Provide life-saving and life-sustaining humanitarian assistance to the most vulnerable people with an emphasis on those in areas with high severity of needs.

ENHANCE PROTECTION
Enhance the prevention and mitigation of protection risks, and respond to protection needs through supporting the protective environment in Syria, by promoting international law, IHL, IHRL and through quality, principled assistance.

INCREASE RESILIENCE AND ACCESS TO SERVICES
Increase the resilience of affected communities by improving access to livelihood opportunities and basic services, especially among the most vulnerable households and communities.

PROTECTION, VULNERABILITY, AND PRIORITIZING THE MOST IN NEED
Across all areas and interventions, programmes will aim to reach the most vulnerable populations and communities. These include:

- Children
- Adolescents/Youth
- Women and Girls
- The Elderly
- People with Disabilities
- IDP and Refugee Spontaneous Returnees
- Palestinian Refugees
- People without Personal Documentation
- People living in areas contaminated with explosive hazards
- People facing extreme socioeconomic hardship
- People in access-restricted areas
- Displaced Persons
- People with chronic illness and injuries
- People hosting displaced persons

PRIORITY CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY COMMUNITIES

- Economic Opportunities
- Basic Services
- General Safety and Protection
- Drinking Water
- Health Care
- Education Opportunities
- Food
- Multi-purpose Cash
- Non-food Items
- Livelihood Grants / Support
- Education
- Health Services
- WASH
- Services for Women, Girls, Elderly and People with Disabilities

ACHIEVING PROTECTION OUTCOMES THROUGH HOLISTIC RESPONSES

Life-saving Assistance
- Trauma and Emergency Healthcare
- Vaccination Activities
- Multi-sectoral Assistance to IDPs in Camps
- Mobile Units Offering Protection Services
- NFI's including Winterization Assistance
- Emergency Shelter Assistance
- Contamination Surveys
- Rehabilitation of Damaged Houses
- Rehabilitation of Schools

GBV Response
- GBV Response
- Referral Services
- Legal Assistance on Civil Documentation and HLP Issues
- Child Protection Interventions
- Psychosocial Support
- Hazard Mitigation Interventions
- Mine Action Risk Education

Integrated Protection Assistance

Re-establishing Livelihoods
- Re-establishing Livelihoods
- Food Assistance
- Work Opportunities for Vulnerable Groups
- Basic Service Delivery and Resilience

Rehabilitation
- Rehabilitation of Health Facilities

Other
- Outreach Activities
- Legal Assistance on Civil Documentation and HLP Issues

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ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2018

Humanitarian organizations in Syria continued to deliver a massive humanitarian response to people in need. On average, 5.5 million people were reached with some form of assistance each month.

- An average of 5.3 million vulnerable people received food assistance on a monthly basis across Syria. A further 2.7 million people benefited from agricultural assistance during 2018.
- Almost 6 million people received direct water, sanitation and hygiene emergency assistance. Up to 13.8 million people benefited from water, sanitation and solid waste management systems support.
- 22.8 million medical procedures were supported by humanitarian actors during the year. 11.7 million treatment courses were provided. More than 517,000 trauma consultations were carried out. 158,000 deliveries were attended by skilled birth attendants. 81,000 C-sections were conducted throughout the year.
- 4.3 million children and youth, teachers, and education personnel benefited from quality education programmes.
- 3.8 million people benefited from early recovery and livelihood interventions, including through the restoration of access to essential social services and social cohesion initiatives.
- 2.4 million children and pregnant and lactating women in need were reached with curative and preventive nutrition services.
- 2.4 million people had their core and essential NFI needs met, and 1.1 million people received shelter assistance.
- 838,400 girls and boys benefited from structured and sustained child protection programmes, including psychosocial support.
- 316,600 people received legal assistance, including on civil documentation and housing, land and property issues.
- 426 communities have at least one type of specialized gender-based violence service.
- 2.5 million people benefited from explosive hazard risk education.
- More than 23,101 m³ of inter-agency humanitarian goods were stored and prepositioned in various locations inside Syria to respond to critical needs.

CONSEQUENCES OF UNDERFUNDING

A reduction in funding to the HRP in 2019 and a subsequent prioritization would likely interrupt life-saving and life-sustaining humanitarian activities implemented in Syria. Reduced funding would also curtail investments in more sustainable and dignified approaches to addressing needs, thereby further increasing Syrians’ dependence on humanitarian assistance. Vulnerabilities would increase, leading to an overall deterioration of the overall humanitarian situation in the country. These consequences of underfunding would affect people for their lifetimes, as well the long-term stability of the country and the wider region.

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