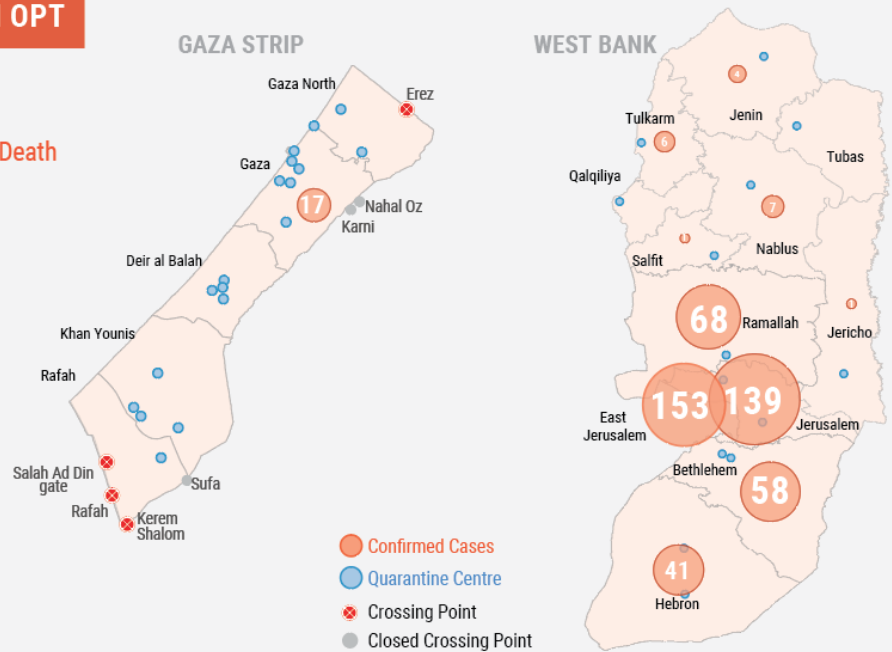
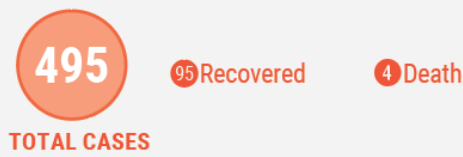


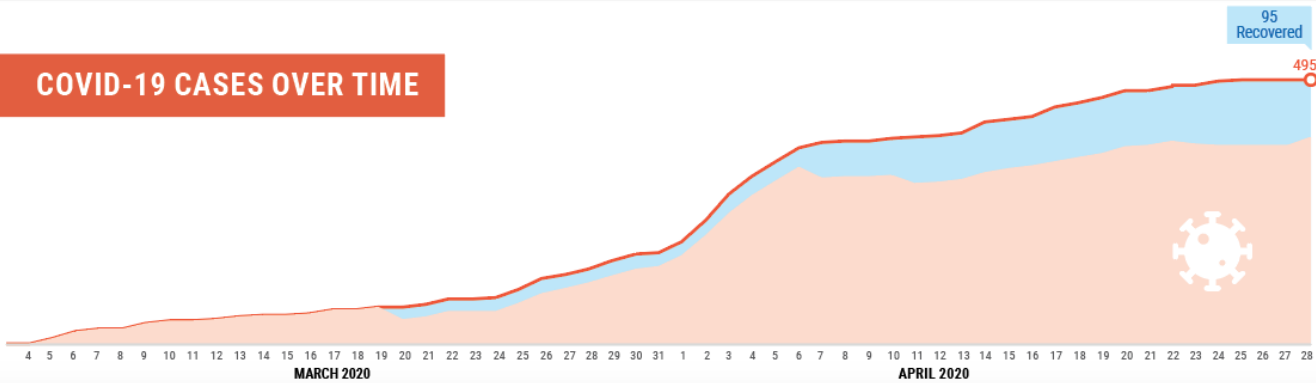
HIGHLIGHTS

- The majority of new COVID-19 cases in East Jerusalem.
- The Palestinian Authority’s fiscal deficit may reach US\$ 2 billion by the end of 2020.
- Revised Inter-Agency Response Plan, requesting \$42.4 million for COVID-19 crisis.

COVID-19 CONFIRMED CASES IN OPT



COVID-19 CASES OVER TIME



495

People with COVID-19

27,800

Samples tested for COVID-19

65

Quarantine and treatment centres

US\$42.4 million

request for Inter-Agency Response Plan

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* Detailed maps of quarantine facilities in the **West Bank** and **Gaza Strip** are available at **OCHA’s website**

SITUATION OVERVIEW

An additional 46 Palestinians were confirmed to have contracted COVID-19 in the oPt during the reporting period, including 33 in East Jerusalem, 11 in the remainder of the West Bank and two in the Gaza Strip, with no new deaths recorded.¹ This brings to 495, the total number of cases across the oPt as of 28 April, of whom four have died and at least 95 have recovered. The relatively large increase in caseload in East Jerusalem is attributed to the increase in the volume of samples tested, following the Israeli authorities' establishment of new testing facilities in the Palestinian areas of the city over the past two weeks (currently ten facilities).

According to the Palestinian Ministry of Health (MoH), since the onset of the pandemic, nearly 28,000 laboratory samples have been tested and approximately 13,000 Palestinians are in quarantine at home, or in designated facilities for monitoring purposes.

Addressing the critical gaps in supplies needed to contain and manage the pandemic remains the main priority of the MoH and the humanitarian community. The main items required include testing kits, personal protective equipment (PPE), ventilators and essential Intensive Care Unit (ICU) equipment (see detailed table below). These gaps are the result of the fragile situation of the Palestinian health system, even before the crisis, exacerbated by global shortages since then.

The Palestinian Ministry of Education announced that schools will not reopen during the current academic year, which ends on 23 May; however, the next academic year is expected to start one month earlier. The 12th grade exam, the *Tawjihi*, will take place from 30 May onwards.

Following last week's announcement by both the Palestinian and Israeli authorities about the relaxation of certain restrictions, economic activity has increased during the reporting period, particularly in the West Bank, including East Jerusalem. However, the socio-economic impact of the pandemic in the oPt is of increasing concern.

The World Bank estimates that due to the reduced demand caused by job losses and salary cuts the Palestinian economy will shrink in 2020 between 2.6 to 7.6 per cent compared to 2019, depending on the length of the restrictive measures. Moreover, the Palestinian Authority's fiscal deficit as a result of the decline in revenues, along with the increase in expenditures to confront the pandemic, may reach up to US\$2 billion. The UN Special Coordinator, Nikolay Mladenov, warned the Security Council that "if current trends continue, the damage to the economy risks the very existence of the Palestinian Authority."

West Bank

In the context of the relaxation measures announced a week ago, factories have been permitted to re-open with 50 per cent of their workforce, craftsman shops (garages, blacksmiths, furniture stores) were allowed to open three days a week, and retail stores only on Fridays. While movement restrictions between localities and social distancing measures remain in force, anecdotal information indicates a general loosening in the public's adherence to, and enforcement of, regulations by the authorities.

To prevent gatherings and potential spread of the virus on the occasion of the month of Ramadan, which started on 23 April, the Palestinian Authority has imposed a daily curfew from 19.00 until XX:00 the following morning, which has been largely enforced.

In East Jerusalem, only two hospitals (Al Makassed and Augusta Victoria) are currently prepared to receive COVID-19 patients. WHO is coordinating with the East Jerusalem Hospital Network to address the most pressing needs of these and other hospitals. However, most Palestinians in the city can also receive treatment at Israeli hospitals.

To prevent contagion, Palestinian security forces, along with local emergency committees, have scaled up efforts to halt the daily commuting of workers between the West Bank and Israel. Those who were intercepted at checkpoints have been registered by the Palestinian authorities and instructed to home quarantine for 21 days; reportedly, in many cases their work permits and magnetic cards have been confiscated. However, due to the

¹ The situation in East Jerusalem regarding COVID-19 is being managed by the Israeli authorities.

multiple openings in the West Bank Barrier and the limited capacity of the Palestinian authorities, the movement of workers back and forth has reportedly continued on a significant scale.

Restrictions imposed by the Israeli authorities on the movement of Palestinians residing in the closed area behind the Barrier (the 'Seam Zone') to the rest of the West Bank have been relaxed during the reporting period. However, access of farmers to their lands in the area remains heavily restricted due to the revocation of permits and the non-opening of agricultural gates.

Citing the lack of building permits, the Israeli authorities demolished or seized another eight Palestinian-owned structures in Area C of the West Bank. All but one of the targeted structures were donor-funded assistance, including a mobile home near Jericho, as a result of which, a family of eight was displaced. The Humanitarian Coordinator, Jamie McGoldrick, called on the Israeli authorities to stop demolitions, particularly during the COVID-19 crisis and the month of Ramadan. Also of concern is the ongoing surge in attacks by Israeli settlers, which since the start of the pandemic have increased by about 80 per cent compared with the first two months of the year.

Gaza Strip

As of 27 April, the de-facto authorities have authorized the reopening of restaurants, hotels and tourist facilities for indoor service across Gaza, subject to the abidance of hygiene and physical distancing measures. In conjunction with the absence of restrictions on movement between localities within Gaza and the low number of detected cases, this has resulted in a further increase in public activity, particularly at night hours, following the end of the daily Ramadan fast. The closure of schools and mosques, as well as the ban on public gatherings continues.

Despite the low number of confirmed COVID-19 cases in Gaza, WHO is encouraging people to adhere to the recommended measures, including physical distancing and personal hygiene measures. In cooperation with UNICEF, WHO continues efforts to procure essential ICU and ventilator equipment through global supply mechanisms although there are considerable delays in delivery dates due to global demands.

There has been no significant change in the number of people staying in 26 quarantine centres, including health facilities, schools and hotels, which remains at around 2,000. The Rafah Crossing with Egypt remained closed in both directions and 87 people returned to Gaza through the Erez Crossing. The movement of goods from Israel and Egypt has continued as previously, including the entry of restricted ("dual use") items via the Israeli-controlled Kerem Shalom Crossing. In Gaza city, the municipality announced a reduction in the frequency of some services, including solid waste collection, due to the decline in revenues.

INTER-AGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

A revision of the COVID-19 Inter-Agency Response Plan for the oPt, originally launched on 26 March, was released on 25 April. This main goal remains to support the efforts led by the Government of Palestine to contain the pandemic and mitigate its impact through the end of June 2020. The updated requirement is \$42.4 million, an increase from the \$34 million originally requested. The additional \$7 million is to provide support to quarantine centers in Gaza and the West Bank; multi-sectoral efforts in East Jerusalem; and safety net support for most vulnerable communities. The largest components are public health interventions, 45 per cent of the appeal (\$19.1 million), and food security, at 28 per cent (\$11.8 million).

So far, \$13.3 million, or 31 per cent of the amount requested, has been raised. As detailed below, donors have contributed another \$16.7 million for a range of interventions related to COVID-19, but not included in the response Inter-Agency Response Plan, bringing overall contributions to \$30 million.

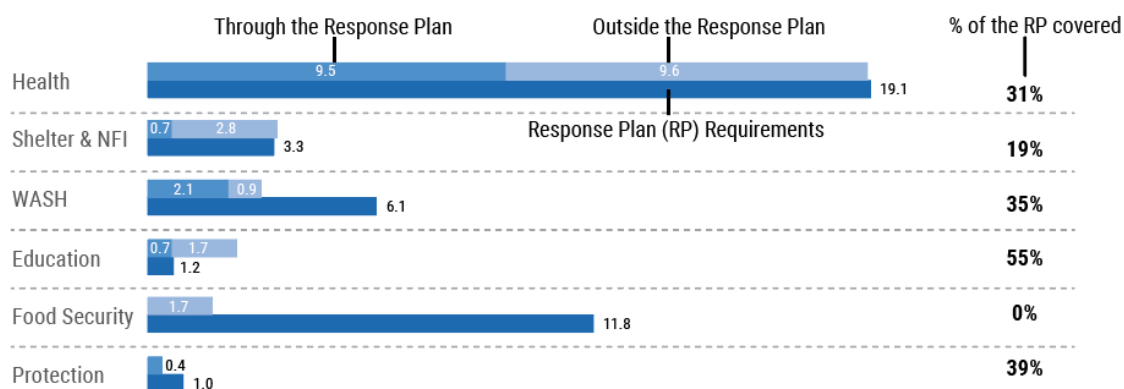
COVID-19 response funding in the oPt

Cluster	Response Plan Requirements (US\$)	Through the Response Plan (US\$)	Percentage of the Plan covered	Outside the Response Plan (US\$)	Total (US\$)
Education	1,203,000	660,000	55%	1,735,000	2,395,000
Food Security	11,781,726	-	0%	1,721,500	1,721,500
Health	19,106,615	9,491,500	50%	9,563,147	19,054,647
Protection	951,000	373,000	39%		373,000
Shelter & NFI	3,342,551	650,000	19%	2,798,500	3,448,500
WASH	6,055,240	2,146,035	35%	865,000	3,011,035
Grand Total	42,440,132	13,320,535	31%	16,683,147	30,003,682











Total funding for COVID-19 response by donors (in US\$)

Donors	Through the Response Plan	Outside the Response Plan	Total
Austria	-	229,564*	229,564*
Canada	1,772,000	-	1,772,000
CERF	300,000	-	300,000
DFID	1,120,000	-	1,120,000
ECHO	105,000	7,655,000*	7,760,000*
Education Cannot Wait	555,000	1,550,000	2,105,000
Ireland	138,000	-	138,000
Italy (IADC)	-	35,000	35,000
Kuwait	1,997,500	7,002,500	9,000,000
NCA HQ, DCA	71,035	-	71,035
Norway	-	61,083	61,083
OPT Humanitarian Fund	6,175,000	-	6,175,000
Oxfam	60,000	-	60,000
UNESCO	-	150,000	150,000
UNICEF	887,000	-	887,000
WHO	140,000	-	140,000
Grand Total	13,320,535	16,683,147	30,003,682

* Attribution to the Inter-Agency COVID-19 Response Plane under verification.

TOTAL FUNDING FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE BY CLUSTER
(IN MILLION US\$)

ESSENTIAL ITEMS REQUIRED TO RESPOND TO THE COVID-19 CRISIS

Item	Baseline West Bank	Delivered West Bank	Baseline Gaza	Delivered Gaza	Under procurement (overseas)	Total Needed (as per PA revised plan)	Gap
 Testing items for no. ppl	18,390	3,400	2,772	4,000		500,000	471,438
 PCR machines				1	1	6	5
 Patient monitor				14		1,500	1,486
 PPEs		50,000		14,600		100,000	35,400
 Face masks		16,800		8,550		165,000	139,650
 Ventilators	175		120		100	1,200	905
 Oxygen concentrators		15			15	150	135
 ICU beds (PA)	255		120			1,200	825
 ICU beds with ventilator (WHO sitrep)	213		87		37	1,200	900
 Goggles/eye wear		800		1,050		20,000	18,150

COORDINATION

The Inter-Agency COVID-19 Task Force led by the Humanitarian/Resident Coordinator (HC/RC), as well as the Inter-Cluster Coordination Group (ICCG), continue regularly meetings to follow up on the implementation of the Inter-Agency Response Plan. The HC/RC also informs the Palestinian authorities about the essential movements required by humanitarian and development staff during this period of enhanced movement restrictions, while following the already adopted Standard Operation Procedures. Where necessary, coordination with the Israeli authorities is also conducted to ensure the safe movement of staff.

As part of the Risk Communication and Community Engagement (RCCE) plan, WHO is releasing guidance to civil and religious authorities, regarding traditional religious practices observed during Ramadan. There is concern that too rapid a relaxation of measures could trigger additional spikes in cases.

UNICEF is also taking the lead in coordinating and centralizing the procurement of medical supplies and equipment. Additionally, the World Food Programme (WFP) has set up a logistics working group to support humanitarian partners in providing key supply chains, reducing duplication and increasing cost efficiency. Logistics services will be provided by air and sea, through Ben-Gurion Airport and Ashdod Port.

NEEDS, RESPONSES AND CONSTRAINTS BY CLUSTER

[FOR A DETAILED LIST OF ACTIVITIES BY CLUSTER PLEASE REFER TO THE ANNEX]

Health

Needs overview

There is currently no specific treatment for COVID-19. Consequently, the most effective approach to protect the population is containment, with a focus on early testing of all suspected cases, isolation and treatment of confirmed cases, and contact tracing and quarantine arrangements. This must be complemented by primary and community-based health initiatives, focused on the prevention and promotion of effective protection measures (hand hygiene, physical distancing, etc.). Additionally, efforts must continue to scale up hospital preparedness and treatment capacity to manage an increase in demand for hospital-based patient care.

As part of these priorities, there is an increasing need to mobilize further resources to provide adequate training for all staff working in health facilities, including on clinical case management protocols and infection prevention and control policies. Additionally, local procurement should be emphasised wherever possible, while maintaining quality control. There is a need for a healthcare strategy that maximizes available resources and minimizes the consumption of materials currently in global shortage.

Currently, the health services in the oPt are being confronted with an increased demand generated by the COVID-19 outbreak. Therefore, responding exclusively to COVID-19 cases, without considering how the delivery of essential health care services will be maintained across the continuum of care, comes with several risks.

To minimize this risk, it is essential to give equal priority to the continuation of essential health care services in the oPt, including primary healthcare services; sexual and reproductive and maternal health services; continuation of critical inpatient services (i.e. dialysis); management of acute episodes of chronic conditions; trauma services; services for people with disabilities; and time sensitive surgeries.

Response overview

The Health Cluster remains committed to reinforcing a comprehensive, multi-sectoral response to the outbreak, while continuing principled programme delivery and the provision of life-saving assistance. All related activities are directed at supporting the measures taken by the Palestinian authorities, led by the Ministry of Health (MoH).

Interventions have strengthened the MoH's capacity to early detect and respond to the outbreak and prevent further transmission. Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) activities are an integral part of these interventions. Efforts have been also invested in coordinating and streamlining the work of various partners with the authorities.

Some of the Health Clusters achievement to date include:

- All essential primary healthcare centres established early triage mechanisms, including UNRWA's 22 primary healthcare centres in the Gaza Strip, and 43 in the West Bank.
- With support from WHO, the MoH established rapid response teams in each governorate, while contact tracing is underway.
- Over 4,430 full PPE kits, 227,000 face masks, 88,507 gowns, 1,585,640 gloves, 227,000 face masks, 2,000 head covers, 5,000 over-shoe covers, were distributed to MoH, NGO service providers, and vulnerable members of the community in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.
- Cluster partners provided the MoH with testing kits (an estimated 6,000 tests), swabs for the collection of samples and other laboratory supplies required for COVID-19 testing.

Gaps, challenges and constraints

Efforts to address needs related to the quarantine sites faced various challenges, including a local, regional and global shortage of laboratory supplies for COVID-19 testing, as well as shortages of some essential case management equipment, particularly for critical cases and Infection and Protection Control supplies. These

shortages are delaying delivery of such items to the oPt, especially in the Gaza Strip, and impacting on testing. The lockdown of ministries, such as the Ministry of Finance, further complicates the processing of financial procedures like VAT exemption, and the transport of items through borders.

All major providers (MOH, UNRWA, NGOs) have scaled down sexual and reproductive health services as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, leading to an increased risk of disability and death amongst women, girls and new-borns; a drop in pregnant women attending facilities; a lack of resources to conduct home/mobile clinic visits; and a general shortage of medical supplies, including PPE.

Access to vulnerable communities was curtailed over the past few weeks, with key health service providers being denied or delayed in providing essential primary health care services to parts of the West Bank. This is particularly detrimental when partners are the only service provider for the vulnerable communities.

Protection

Needs overview

Data from Gender-Based Violence (GBV) helplines suggest an increase in abuse and violence, specifically domestic violence against women, and physical abuse by parents against adolescent boys and young men. The number of cases of women whose lives are under threat has increased compared to previous weeks, as reported by Protection partners.

Widespread job losses affecting income and livelihoods are placing significant pressures on families, pushing vulnerable families into further poverty and contributing to the increase in abuse and violence. Protection partners report increased tension among vulnerable households since their ability to work in Israeli settlements ended, as well as increase in negative coping strategies, including child labour and early marriage.

In some communities, as a result of disruptions in vocational training, remedial classes and interventions, working and out-of-school children suffer increased risk of exploitation, neglect and abuse. Additionally, children released from juvenile institutions are at risk of re-offending, while children in protective care risk being sent back to families where there was previous violence.

There is a general lack of information about COVID-19 in Area C, particularly in the Jordan Valley. Municipalities and village councils in Area C, in particular Ein al Beida, Bardala and Fasayil village, are requesting recreational kits for children to mitigate increased cyberbullying, as children are spending more time on their phones.

Due to disruptions of schools, there is an increased risk for children, living near/in areas close to military sites, particularly in Palestinian Bedouin and herder communities in the north and central West Bank, to be exposed to Explosive Remnants of War (ERM).

Response overview

The Protection Cluster adjusted its COVID-19 response plan priorities based on new and emerging needs identified by partners, focusing on the most vulnerable individuals and households. Cluster, GBV and MHPSS partners will continue to initiate alternative phone and online activities to ensure continuity of critical protection services and referral pathways, with an increased focus on disability and supporting those with a chronically ill family member, persons with disabilities and the elderly. People with seeing, hearing or mobility issues are already experiencing difficulties in accessing services and information, as services are suspended while they seek to protect themselves from COVID-19. Partners will adopt strategies to reach this vulnerable population through reinforced referral pathways; targeted assistance (e.g. assistive devices); comprehensive dissemination of critical information; material support to mitigate heightened protection risks; and legal action.

During the reporting period, partners reached people remotely for individual counselling and structured group activities, including persons in quarantine sites in the Gaza Strip. Legal Task Force (LTF) members continued requests to the West Bank Military Commander and Israeli Police, seeking enforcement of containment measures in settlements and outposts and enhanced protection from settler violence to prevent spread of COVID-19.

Gaps, challenges and constraints

Limited access to reliable data from quarantine sites in the West Bank is making the identification of needs and ways to respond difficult. There is an ongoing lack of a clear and consistent approach to services, including psychosocial support for Palestinian communities in East Jerusalem, particularly those located behind the Barrier (notably Kfar Aqab, Shu'fat Camp, and Qalandiya).

Throughout the oPt, partners report facing financial constraints to meet increasing need for MHPSS and PPE supplies for community members involved in distribution and home visits. MHPSS counsellors report shortages of electronic devices to facilitate sessions, leaving vulnerable households disproportionately challenged to participate in online activities. The absence of an international protective presence and continuing settler violence is of additional concern.

Education

Needs overview

On 21 April, the Ministry of Education (MoE) announced that the official twelfth grade exams, the *Tawjihi*, will be conducted as planned on 30 May. Grades 1-11 will continue utilizing distance learning resources through the end of the academic year (23 May). The Ministry plans to start the next year academic year one month earlier to compensate for lost time.

Since the closure of education facilities in early March, 1.43 million children across the oPt need to access distant learning and receive age appropriate, awareness-raising messages around COVID-19. In isolated and poor areas, 360,000 children without internet connections need home-based learning materials and support.

Continued age-appropriate, awareness-raising messages to 1.43 million children and their families around COVID-19 is needed, in addition to hygiene-related preventive measures and continuity of learning at home.

3,037 schools are in need of cleaning and disinfecting in preparation for re-opening, as well as an adequate supply of cleaning and disinfecting materials while closed. Specifically, the MoE in Gaza is in need of stationary and infection control measures to safely conduct the *Tawjihi* exam.

215,000 children and their caregivers, and 3,000 teachers are in need of psychosocial support through innovative approaches, utilizing social media and phone calls.

Latrines in 402 schools need urgent rehabilitation and new clean drinking water points are needed in 134 schools.

Response overview

Education Cluster partners have developed interventions to address the needs set out in the MoE Response Plan for COVID-19. As the *Tawjihi* exam, will be conducted on 30 May, the Education Cluster will work with the MoE to ensure the protection of students during the exams. This will include opening more examination centres to reduce the number of students per centre, as well as applying all relevant infection control measures for school environments recommended by WHO and UNICEF. Main achievements to date include:

- The mobilization of US\$2.5 million for the MoE COVID-19 response plan, which is currently 40 per cent funded;
- Started the procurement of 2,000 cleaning and disinfecting kits for MoE schools;
- Technically and financially supported about 100,000 children to access various MoE e-learning platforms.
- Supported the provision of remote MHPSS support to children and their families in coordination with Child Protection partners.

Gaps, challenges and constraints

The scale and nature of this crisis is beyond that anticipated in existing preparedness plans and the capacities of MoE and cluster partners. This includes the lack of platforms for distance learning prior to the emergency, and a lack of consensus between MoE in Ramallah and Gaza over the content of the e-learning platform. This has been compounded by the limited internet connectivity in certain communities and households. The MoE and cluster

partners are also not operating at full capacity, due to movement restrictions and quarantine measures. Finally, there are funding gaps for the rehabilitation of emergency WASH facilities at schools.

Shelter

Needs overview

In the Gaza Strip, people hosted in quarantine centres for the 21 mandatory days need various individual hygiene kits, sterilizing items and non-food items (NFI), such as mattresses, blankets, pillows and mats. Most of these items must be periodically redistributed for incoming people. There are currently 38 facilities identified for potential use as quarantine centres, with a capacity to host up to 5,000 individuals. Of these, 26 are active with a total number of 1,967 quarantined individuals. The numbers are expected to rise again if Rafah crossing is reopened during the coming days.

Additionally, in Gaza, a previous assessment by the Ministry of Public Works and Housing has identified 9,500 dilapidated or substandard homes. The most vulnerable urgently need proper hygienic and disinfection materials, as well as awareness materials concerning hygienic practices and mitigation measures.

In the West Bank, the main concern remains the expected return of Palestinian workers employed in Israel, who require quarantine facilities. The current capacity of identified centres is 5,000 individuals, who will need NFI kits similar to those in Gaza. Also, many requests were made of Cluster partners to set-up pre-screening and registration facilities for the workers at crossings and at the entrances to Palestinian towns, in addition to one infrared thermometer for each location and consumable protective materials (gloves, masks, hand sanitizers) for the municipality teams who carry out the initial testing and registration at each crossing.

An assessment conducted by an NGO of 198 vulnerable communities in Area C found that over half of the residents could not afford the basic hygiene and cleaning materials to combat COVID-19.

Response overview

The Shelter Cluster response seeks to improve the capacity and resilience of vulnerable individuals and households to reduce the spread of the pandemic. In Gaza, partners have continued to aid quarantine centres, with necessary support including NFIs, hygiene and female dignity kits, and cleaning supplies with over 6,000 bedding sets provided to quarantine centres. In the West Bank, 80 tents (originally intended to respond to demolitions) were distributed for use as pre-screening and registration facilities at hospitals, clinics, crossings and town entrances. Across the oPt, around 13,000 hygiene and cleaning materials were distributed to vulnerable families via different institutions and village councils, as well as educational materials and awareness flyers, as part of the RCCE campaign.

Gaps, challenges and constraints.

A main constraint is the lack of quality, household disaggregated information on needs, to accurately target interventions, compounded by the movement restrictions that impede access to the most vulnerable households and communities. The lack of accurate information about the quarantine facilities needs in the West Bank impede the Cluster's ability to mobilize the required NFI materials support.

Cluster members reported that there is a shortage of sterilizing materials on the local market in Gaza, and that the available quantities do not comply with technical specifications.

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

Needs overview

During the reporting period, WASH Cluster Partners reached more than 14,800 people. In coordination with the Palestinian Water Authority (PWA) and service providers, the Cluster is closely monitoring access to WASH services to ensure that the required levels of water and sanitation are not being affected by the COVID-19 outbreak.

Community committees and local councils in the most vulnerable areas in East Jerusalem and Area C are reporting shortages of cleaning and sanitizing materials which affect their ability to continue environmental cleaning and sanitizing campaigns in these communities.

At least half of the WASH service providers in the southern West Bank reported that they do not have the capacity to raise public awareness about proper hygiene practices in the context of against COVID-19.

Some neighbourhoods in East Jerusalem reported lack of proper collection and disposal of medical waste.

Increased unemployment in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, is limiting many vulnerable families' access to hygiene and cleaning materials and tools.

Response overview

During the reporting period, WASH Cluster partners conducted four rapid assessments regarding the WASH status in the most vulnerable areas. The assessments targeted quarantine centres in the West Bank, as well as the water service providers in the southern West Bank and East Jerusalem.

Seven WASH Cluster partners implemented various response interventions reaching around 14,852 individuals. Partners were able to distribute 1,290 household hygiene kits and 37 cesspit dislodges, and support quarantine centres in the Gaza Strip with the delivery of over 14,000 bottles of water, 300 dignity kits and provide 12 latrines with water tanks. With regards to RCCE, partners were able to conduct 790 awareness sessions at the household level, distribute 980 posters and disseminate materials via two radio spots in the Gaza Strip.

Targeted individuals and institutions improved their hygiene levels due to the provision of hygiene items and sanitizers, as well as protective materials for health workers. Current support to the quarantine centres improves their capacity to ensure safe, dignified, and healthy habits for those in quarantine. Lastly, water service providers have managed to maintain regular levels of supply in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

Gaps, challenges and constraints

The main challenges identified by the WASH Cluster include:

- Unclear division of responsibilities of PA bodies in Area C communities, which creates confusion for partners concerning who to coordinate with regarding WASH COVID-19 response activities. Some partners coordinate with Governorate offices and others with local councils.
- PWA announced that water demand in Palestinian communities is expected to increase by more than 30 per cent in the coming weeks.

Food Security

Needs overview

The pandemic has already had severe socio-economic consequences, which are expected to increase in the coming weeks, with direct consequences on food security. New families have fallen into poverty following the loss of a source of income due to COVID-19 restrictions. The Ministry of Social Development (MoSD) expects that 100,000 families across the oPt will be added to the list of new poor families by the end of April.

Agricultural livelihoods have been particularly impacted. The low availability and high prices of fodder represent a constraint for Palestinian Bedouins and herders, especially as the grazing season is coming to an end. Prices for fertilizers and pesticides also increased during the last three weeks. Although fuel prices declined, it does not compensate for the price increase of major inputs costs.

The overall agriculture and food market continues its negative trajectory, triggered by low demand, due to low purchasing power, high inputs price, local market and export closures, and the interruption of traditional informal credit payment system in favour of cash upfront only payments.

The livestock sector in the West Bank is subject to a complete paralysis since the start of the COVID-19 crisis. According to the appeal recently launched by UAWC, there was a decline in the consumption of red meat by more

than 15 per cent. In the Gaza Strip, prices of one-day-old chicks have significantly increased to nearly double the price, likely due to the increase in demand during Ramadan.

In the Gaza Strip, the Ministry of Labour (MoL) estimates that of 130,000 registered workers, around 38,000 of them need urgent humanitarian assistance based on poverty status and other socioeconomic conditions.

With the new arrivals to the Gaza Strip from Egypt, MoSD are concerned about the continuation of food assistance to people in quarantine facilities.

Response overview

Partners in the Food Security Sector have continued distributing food parcels to poor families, including agricultural commodities in the food parcels. Local NGOs in the West Bank started the process of distributing more than 60 tonnes of vegetables and five tonnes of dates, as direct support for poor farmers and families.

The Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) continued the distribution of around one million seedlings for home gardens through local NGOs, with around 90 per cent of the activities completed.

In Gaza, an additional 7,000 daily waged workers received cash assistance of US\$100, as part of a grant by the de facto authorities to workers affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Responding to the COVID-19 impact on food security at a household level, WFP is assisting another 254 families (around 1,200 individuals) nominated by the MoSD, with cash-based assistance. The new families will receive temporary assistance for a period of three months.

Gaps, challenges and constraints

In addition to the mobility restrictions affecting all partners, the delivery of cash assistance has been disrupted, as banks have stopped receiving clients face-to-face. Moreover, Cash-for-Work (CfW) interventions are also impacted as many skilled and unskilled jobs come to a halt, although some education and other organizations began implementing a work-at-home modality.

ANNEX: LIST OF ACTIVITIES BY CLUSTER

 Health

Objective	Partner	Activity	Beneficiary /recipient	Geographical area
Case Finding, contact tracing, prevention and surveillance	WHO	WHO revised its COVID-19 dashboard. Disaggregated data for easy access and uses, providing a range of connected variables to help users have better insights into COVID-19 in oPt	Partners, donors, health sector and public	West Bank and Gaza Strip
		WHO provided technical advice for the assessment of 16 quarantine facilities in the West Bank	16 quarantine facilities	West Bank
	Health Work committees	Providing essential health centres in six locations with pre-screening tents	6 health centres	West Bank
	UNRWA	Triage systems in place in UNRWA health centres to separate suspected COVID-19 patients from other patients	Palestine refugees	West Bank
		Triage systems in place, in UNRWA health Centres to separate patients with respiratory symptoms in schools from those without respiratory symptoms.	6,058 Palestine refugees	Gaza Strip
Case Management	UNICEF	Delivered 15 oxygen concentrators to support national capacity for case management of COVID-19 cases for West Bank. Additional 15 oxygen concentrators for Gaza is expected to be delivered shortly	MoH	West Bank and Gaza Strip
	International Charity Organization - UAE	Installing disinfectant chamber	Tulkarem hospital	West Bank
	Médecins du Monde France	Participated in and provided technical support for the European Gaza Hospital COVID19 simulation.	25 staff	Gaza Strip
		Continued technical support to the European Gaza Hospital in mapping the client pathways	MoH	Gaza Strip
	Juzoor and Jerusalem Media and Communications Centre (JMCC)	Juzoor conducted a survey to examine the prevalence of gender-based violence during home quarantine		West Bank
	Palestine Children's Relief Fund	Providing MoH with Medical Supplies	ICU at the European Gaza hospital	Gaza Strip
Coordination, planning and advocacy	WHO	Coordinating with the East Jerusalem Hospitals Network (EJHN) to address the health needs of Palestinians in East Jerusalem, focusing on provision of technical guidance, risk communication and community engagement to disseminate public health advice for prevention of COVID-19 and advocacy with donors to fund the priority needs.	East Jerusalem Hospital Network and those seeking healthcare in EJ	East Jerusalem
Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)	UNRWA	Staff rotation in health centres to avoid spread of virus to all staff members if a case of COVID-19 is detected	853,000 Palestine refugees	West Bank
	WHO	Delivered 2,500 litres antiseptic hand gel (alcogel) and 1,000 bottles of antiseptic (providone-iodine) to local health authorities in the Gaza Strip to re-enforce infection prevention and control measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19.	Ministry of Health; Up to 2,500 health workers	Gaza Strip
	Medical Aid for Palestinians	Procurement of Personal Protective Equipment kits	MoH and EJHN	West Bank, including East Jerusalem
	Palestinian Medical Relief Society (PMRS)	Distribution of community hygiene kits	150 families	Gaza Strip
		16,125 masks (for non-medical use) to sanitation workers at governmental hospitals and municipalities.	1,000 sanitation workers	Gaza Strip
	International Charity Organization - UAE	Delivery of 35 personal protective clothing and 40 medical masks	Members of Emergency medical committees	West Bank and Gaza Strip
War Child	Disinfecting & cleaning	Affected communities	West Bank, East Jerusalem	
		Distributed hygiene kits to 400 families with poor socioeconomic status in various communities.	2000 disadvantaged persons	Gaza Strip

	World Vision-Jerusalem-West Bank-Gaza (World Vision JWG)	Distributed 3,000 KN95 masks to Yatta Quarantine Centre, Red Crescent Society in Halhul- Triage Treatment Centre, and Hugo Chavez Treatment centre	430 health staff per week	West Bank
	Médecins du Monde France	Provision of Personal Protective Equipment to Al Atta Association		Gaza Strip
	Juzoor	Trained 40 healthcare providers with virtual capacity building trainings on Infection Prevention and Control (IPC), Hygiene, Critical Care Course, and other essential American Heart Association emergency courses	40 healthcare providers	West Bank
	Palestine Children's Relief Fund	Distributing hygiene kits and medical and sterilization supplies	Elderly homes; remote areas in Jordan Valley; quarantine centres in 200 elderly persons and disabled children in North Gaza; disabled people	West Bank: Jenin, Ramallah, Nablus, Tulkarem, Tubas, Nablus, Hebron, Gaza Strip
	UNRWA	Providing Personal Protective Equipment and soap and alcohol-based hand-sanitizer in health centres and cleaning and decontamination of health centres	Palestine refugees	West Bank
		Providing Personal Protective Equipment and alcohol-based hand-sanitizer to the 22 health centres and ensure implementation of IPC according to the WHO guidelines.	Health care and other UNRWA frontline staff	Gaza Strip
	Physicians for Human Rights (PHR)	PHR facilitated the transport of medical supplies to Gaza; one ton of concentrated alcohol (95%), 660L of alcohol (70%), 700 units of algogel- half a kg, 300 cartons of gloves (3 pallets). 39 thermometers, 2000 N95 masks.	N/A	Gaza Strip
	Médicos del Mundo (MdM Spain)	Procurement of eye protection goggles, hand sanitizer, shoes covers, head covers, disposable gowns and intravenous infusion equipment (Value USD 17,600)	MoH Facilities	Gaza Strip
	Islamic Relief Association for Orphans and Poor (Igatha 48)	Training of newly graduated doctors on: IPC (Medical stuff safety, patient safety, community safety) and ICU skills (Air way management, medical devices guide).	50 doctors	Gaza Strip
		Distribution of 15 IPC kits to local CSOs directly dealing with beneficiaries.	15 CSOs	Gaza Strip
	CARE Palestine WBG, Women Affairs Center	Support GBV female survivors/ at risk with hygiene kits	125 households (675 people)	Gaza Strip
	CARE Palestine WBG, Aid and Hope Cancer Patients Program	Support female cancer patients with hygiene kits	125 households (675 people)	Gaza Strip
	CARE Palestine WBG, Union of Health Care Committees	Support poor pregnant women with hygiene kits	61 households (330 people)	Gaza Strip
	UNDP	84 people in municipalities to support the disinfection of public facilities and markets. In addition,	Municipalities, 84 workers	Gaza Strip
Laboratory testing	MedGlobal, Rahma Worldwide	Donation of PCR machine to Ministry of Health for Al-Shifa Hospital; Procurement of PCR tests for COVID-19 is underway	MoH	Gaza Strip
	WHO	Procured and delivered 5 additional test kits	480 tests	Gaza Strip
Non-medical services to quarantine centres	Juzoor	Distributed 40 healthy food packages per day for one week to 4 quarantine centres in the Ramallah/AI-Bireh Governorate for healthcare providers	600 quarantined persons	West Bank
	Palestine Children's Relief Fund	Distributing Food Parcels	Quarantine centres in South Gaza	Gaza Strip
Risk Communication	UNFPA, WHO and UNICEF and	The RCCE campaign supported "Hack the Crisis Palestine" the first all-virtual hackathon in Palestine from	1,000 people from the youth and tech sector	West Bank and Gaza Strip

and Community Engagement	Gaza Skygeeks	15-18 April to fight COVID-19 and generate solutions for the response		
	WHO, UNICEF, UNRWA and MOH (supported by extended group UN, INGO and NGO and private taskforce)	The COVID-19 (RCCE) Campaign delivered its fifth week (to 22 April), of targeted messages via social media across the oPt	More than 9.8 million people views of content on Facebook over five weeks of campaign since 19 March including 96,000 in week 5 (15 to 22 April).	West Bank and Gaza Strip
		The RCCE campaign targeted the general public via more than 15 billboards	General public in West Bank and Gaza Strip	
		Shared targeted RCCE messages on more than 10 radio stations four times a day; in addition to disseminating messages via billboards and on Palestinian TV	General public, people at risk including	
		Continued dissemination of 3m text messages via Jawwal network	1.5 million people	
International Charity Organization - UAE	Conducted 8 psychosocial support phone sessions through MADEED association	Quarantined persons		West Bank, Nablus
Palestinian Medical Relief Society	Distributed 30000 health education materials s, and provided awareness sessions t on the prevention of Corona Virus, and also disinfected community centres and PHC facilities	116,515 persons (Male - 48,936, Female - 67,579, Adult - 75,735, Children- 40,780)		West Bank
WHO	As part of (RCCE) plan, releasing guidance to civil and religious authorities, regarding traditional religious practices observed during Ramadan, in light of the current pandemic	General public and health professionals, government and civil society		West Bank and Gaza Strip
WHO and UNICEF, UNRWA and MOH	As above.	General public		West Bank and Gaza Strip
Premiere Urgence Internationale	Relaying and spreading RCCE materials through local partners, trained community volunteers and social media	2,509 individuals in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip; 197 Community Eyes Watch (CEW) trained volunteers in Area C		West Bank and Gaza Strip
War Child	Distributed printed awareness materials to 400 families with poor socio-economic status in Beit Hanoun, Beach Camp, Khan Younis, Nusseirat, Bureij and Rafah; Disseminated awareness messages to hundreds of community members through SMS and/or WhatsApp and Facebook sites of local partners;	2,000 vulnerable persons; community members		Gaza Strip
World Vision-Jerusalem-West Bank-Gaza (World Vision JWG)	Posting and sharing COVID-19 related messages through social media	Total people reached 82,439 through the week from 15-22 April 2020		West Bank
Médecins du Monde France	Prepared poster with key messages about pregnancies during the COVID-19 Crisis and MHPSS to be used in the targeted PHC facilities (for the staff of PHCs regarding COVID-19).	3 Primary Healthcare Centres		Gaza Strip
	MDM conducted an orientation session about COVID-19 and pregnancies to 7 MOH Staff (Midwives and Doctors).	7 staff of midwives and doctors		
Juzoor	Printed 20,000 booklets on infection prevention and awareness; Produced 3 animation awareness videos; Launched a 24-hour health information helpline; Conducted a 20-minute radio interview on nutritional tips/lifestyle modification during the lockdown; Provision of daily tips through social media campaign. Advice giving through WhatsApp chat rooms.	MoH, 20000 persons; 10,000 persons from general public; pregnant and lactating women		West Bank and Gaza Strip
Health Work Committees	Distributing awareness brochures to communities; Distributing hygiene kits to isolated communities	10,000 brochures distributed; 1,000 families		West Bank
Red Crescent Society for Gaza Strip	Develop information, education and communication materials on COVID-19 to be distributed by social media, and in printed format: Disseminate printed information, education and communication (brochures, posters, etc.); Develop education materials for pregnant and lactating	General public, women, mothers and families		Gaza Strip

		women on basic hygiene practices, infection precautions and concerns; Distributed the UNFPA updated GBV services directory to primary and secondary health care facilities; Provide parents with skills via social media to handle their own anxieties and help manage those in their children.		
		Propose appropriate messages for dissemination, including the most vulnerable groups; Provide specific advice for audience via social media and individual counselling; Develop simple language animated film for disabled persons t via social media; Health awareness targeting clients in RCS4GS facilities waiting rooms;	30,000 beneficiaries	
	Gaza Community Mental Health Programme (GCMHP)	Broadcasted remote awareness videos on COVID-19; Conducted live meetings s through Facebook; broadcast Radio meetings on COVID-19 related issues; Publication of awareness materials on how to cope with its psychosocial consequences; Remote Awareness Raising on Child Protection/PSS Awareness videos; Coordinated with the MoSD to provide mental health services to more than 200 families of quarantined people.	3,067 persons; 5,787 persons; 2,616 persons; 1,800 persons; 2,480 persons; 231 families	Gaza Strip
	Islamic Relief Association for Orphans and Poor (Ighatha 48)	Conducting a drill on safe distribution of humanitarian assistance and relief supplies	50 persons from 15 CSOs	Gaza Strip
	UNDP	Over 980 posters have been produced and distributed		Gaza Strip
	CARE Palestine WBG	Radio spots about prevention of COVID-19; Policy briefs about access to basic services and needs, addressing GBV, health situation in Jerusalem, and Gaza.	Palestinian public, international community, Palestinian Authority and civil society organizations, and CARE Global	WB, Gaza and East Jerusalem
Sustaining minimum package of essential services	UNRWA	Provide medication to the door of refugees with non-communicable diseases in areas where the UNRWA Health Centre is not operational	Palestine refugees in areas where the UNRWA Health Centre is closed	Biddo, West Bank
	Red Crescent Society for Gaza Strip	Individual psychosocial support for GBV and cancer survivors via individual counselling and toll-free counselling line and WhatsApp group	GBV and cancer survivors	Gaza Strip
	UNRWA	Provide medication to persons with underlying health conditions, including non-communicable disease patients, for two months to avoid their need to visit health centres	352 patients provided with medication by to the door delivery	West Bank
	UNICEF	Delivered 70 trauma bags to the MOH to address the needs of health facilities in essential medical supplies during the COVID-19 crisis.	MoH	West Bank and Gaza Strip
		To ensure continuum of services for anaemic young children, UNICEF released 29,000 prepositioned bottles of Ferrous sulphate oral solution and delivered to the PHCs.	Primary Healthcare Centres	Khan Younis governorate Gaza Strip
	UNDP, Ministry of Health	UNDP employed 5 people in the health sector to strengthen the health system	MoH, 5 Health workers	Gaza Strip
	Palestinian Medical Relief Society (PMRS)	a mobile team will visit 15 elderly patients with chronic disease every day to provide them with check-ups and treatment including medications	15 visits per day	Gaza Strip
	Médecins du Monde France	58,000 EUR worth of mental health and emergency drugs procured and delivered to Central Drug Store	11,850 patients	Gaza Strip
		Continued the remote technical support to the Mental Health Unit in Al Aqsa, COVID-19 Anxiety Management Document Prepared	6 volunteers in Al Aqsa hospital	
		Provision of support to Al Atta Association on how to conduct phone counselling service	4 psychologists in Al Atta association	
	Palestine Children's Relief Fund	Providing the MOH with watergen machine	Paediatric Specialized Hospital- Dr. Musa and Suhaila Nasir Paediatric Cancer Department	Gaza Strip
	UNFPA	Delivered essential maternal health and COVID-19 drugs and disposables, such as Povidone Iodine, for infection prevention in Gaza		Gaza Strip

Health Work committees	Providing Primary Health care services in 7 locations	Around 3,000 patients visited 7 health centres for PHC services	West Bank
Gaza Community Mental Health Programme (GCMHP)	Continuing the delivery of its individual psychotherapy, individual counselling and medication via the GCMHP three community centres and the mobile clinics spread across Gaza strip, in addition to the free telephone counselling service. Also, supervision sessions for helping the helpers were provided.	291 beneficiaries, including 37 beneficiaries from free telephone services (from 19/4/2020 to 23/4/2020)	Gaza Strip
UNRWA	Primary health care services in UNRWA 42 health centres and Qalqilya Hospital	5,735 consultations including 1,168 with respiratory symptoms	West Bank
	Operation of Health Advice Line for Palestine refugees offering remote triaging and information on UNRWA WB health services	853,000 Palestine refugees	
	Primary health care services in UNRWA 22 Health Centres and 22 affiliated health points, including NCD medication only, urgent Lab and dental, urgent physiotherapy cases, emergency dental procedures and provision of outpatient services	Palestine refugees attending UNRWA HCs in Gaza; 24,264 medical consultations took place this week ; Including 6,058 patients with respiratory symptoms managed at medical points.	Gaza strip
	The use of telemedicine to provide medical consultations and advices using the toll-free lines	2,136 clients	
	Home delivery of medication to type one diabetics, elderly patients with NCD who are over 70 years of age, provision of dental services to emergency cases only.	Palestine refugees with NCDs (2,426 NCD patients received medicines through home delivery)	
Médecins du Monde Fr,	Awareness meetings in the waiting halls: health massages on personal hygiene, etc.); Conducting activities related to self-care and stress management for the clinic staff; Receiving risky cases attending health centres and seeking support (suicide, GBV); Follow-up through the phone for especially vulnerable cases, (gender-based violence, violence, etc.); Follow up of depression and anxiety cases; and Training of the PSC on remote counselling	Palestine refugees attending the health centres; 113 cases received assistance towards MHPSS services during the period 20-25/4/2020	
	Continue SRH technical field visits to the targeted PHC	PHCs	Gaza Strip
Mental Health and Psychosocial Support	UNDP	Conducted 56 Individual psychosocial sessions for Student/Alumni as well as a number 78 students/Alumni engaged in Group Counselling Sessions have started with a group of students.	Direct beneficiaries: 630 scholars of Al Fakhoora Programme. Indirect beneficiaries: Students and Alumni as well as their families

Protection

Objective	Partner	Activity	Beneficiary/ recipient	Geographical area
Ensure the inclusion of vulnerable populations into COVID-19 preparedness, prevention and response activities	Women's Center for Legal Aid and Counselling	Remote consultations: 74 (social and economic rights deprivation; 22 (psychological violence); 2 (physical violence).	98 women	West Bank
		Consultations for women whose lives are under threat	6 women	
		Emergency protection shelter	1 woman	Jericho
	Palestinian Family Planning and Protection Association	Remote PSS and legal support (9-22 April).	200 (mainly women)	oPt

ActionAid Palestine	Food parcels and preventive hygiene kits to marginalized areas	90 families	South Hebron (A'bdah and Imreish)
Palestinian Working Women Society for Development	1,222 consultations, 527 directly related to GBV; 857 counselling session, 322 directly related to GBV; Campaign to combat GBV and promote psychosocial health of women and girls (20,088 social media engagements)	482 people; 296,577 people	oPt
SAWA	Helpline offering MHPSS, medical and legal support	156 (90F,66M)	oPt
UNRWA	Launched free telephone call service; Facebook page for C19 related issues; PSS hotline (PFA and referrals). Receiving average 65 calls/day.	All refugees	oPt
	Disseminated PSS games under Education in Emergency	Refugee children	West Bank
	Cash assistance and case management /PwDs	56 families	
Medecins du Monde-CH	Tele-counselling (MHPSS and PFA)	9 women	East Jerusalem
Madaa Creative Center	Remote psychosocial counselling; Remote recreational activities; Remote remedial education to children	77(32F,24G,21 B); 103(42F,35G,26B); 29(16G,13B)	East Jerusalem
Medecins du Monde-France	MHPSS (individual counselling and awareness raising)	105(29M,36F,18B,22G)	West Bank
Medecins du Monde-Spain	Phone follow-up (MHPSS, C19 awareness, needs, CP and GBV detection/referral).	15 Bedouin communities	Jericho Govt; East Jerusalem (Al Azatyaa)
The Palestinian Counseling Center (PCC)	Remote psychosocial counselling	37(7M,30F); 65 in quarantine (26M,39F)	West Bank
	Six-day-training for PSS counsellors on remote interventions	70 (8M, 62F)	East Jerusalem
	Online art stress management/self-care for PSS professionals; Five online coaching sessions for PSS counsellors	10 (4M,6F); 5 (3M, 2F)	Gaza Strip
	Group supervision sessions for CP counsellors/social workers	13 (5M,8F)	oPt
	Supervision and support to community protection committees on CP and GBV detection and referrals		Jerusalem
	MHPSS session to 6 groups of women at risk or survivors of GBV and 12 groups of youth	GBV survivors (120F) and youth	Beita village, Kufr Aqab, Mt. of olives, Beit Skaria, Isawiy, Qalqilya
War Child Holland	Remote community consultations	86(2M, 57F,15G,12B)	East Jerusalem, Jordan Valley, Tubas, Jericho, H2
	Remote CP case management	42 (22G, 20B)	Jordan Valley, H2

		PSS/recreational kits	420 families	Gaza Strip
	UNMAS	ERW and COVID-19 awareness leaflets	Children	West Bank
	Center for Mind-Body Medicine	Seven social media activities for stress management		Gaza Strip
	Stars of Hope Society and the Social and Economic Policies Monitor	Joint position paper on situation of women and girls with disabilities during COVID-19	200 WGwD surveyed	oPt
	Atfaluna Society for Deaf Children	Hotline; PSS and hygiene kits (210); hot meals (90); PSS (336); parenting care counselling (96)	Families with CwDs	Gaza Strip
Ensure right to health is available to all without discrimination	Human rights organizations	Joint press release calling on Israel to publish plan for preventing COVID-19 spread in Gaza and meeting medical needs.		Gaza Strip
	War Child Holland	90 hygiene kits distributed	90 families	Fasayil
		Awareness information dissemination (through 12 partner CBOs)	530 (38M, 124F, 259G, 109B)	East Jerusalem; Jordan Valley; H2
		470 family psychosocial kits distributed	470 families	Jordan Valley
	The Palestinian Counseling Center	Two SMS support messages to PCC beneficiaries in quarantine	500(120M,130F,130G,120B)	oPt
	Juzoor	Poll to examine public COVID-19 perceptions, changes in behaviours, and trust in government's handling of outbreak.		
	Palestine Children Relief Fund	Provision of insulated capsules to transport patients; hygiene kits for CwDs; hand pumps; protective gear		Hebron
	Jerusalem Legal Aid Committee	Distributed 818 hygiene kits		West Bank
Efforts to mitigate human rights violations related to COVID-19	B'tselem	Press release analysing settler violence spike exploiting COVID-19		
	Palestinian Center for Democracy & Conflict Resolution	Hate speech project (radio spots, online platform, smartphone application, manual)	University students	
	HaMoked	Request to High Court for urgent hearing on allowing adult prisoners regular phone contact with families, particularly those in isolation.		

Education

Objective	Partner	Activity	Beneficiary/recipient	Geographical area
Ensuring that school children, staff and their families and schools have the adequate information and resources to prevent the	Humanity & Inclusion (HI)	Implementing awareness raising activities on COVID-19, reaching 546 parents of children with disabilities and teachers through 20 phone calls and social media and 1 in person meeting	Children and their parents	Gaza Strip
	Different cluster partners	Shared the RCCE materials through different channels and social media platforms	Children and their parents	West Bank and Gaza Strip
	UNICEF	Started procurement process for 1,500 school disinfection kits	School children and school staff	West Bank and Gaza Strip

spread of the pandemic	NRC	Procurement of disinfection and hygiene materials for 65 schools in the West Bank and 20 schools in Gaza.	School children and school staff	Gaza Strip
	Right to Play	Conducted awareness activities through interactive posters for children referring to "Stay Healthy and Active" norms	Children	West Bank
Ensuring the continuation of learning by providing school children and their parents with access to free online platforms and home-based learning	UNRWA	Continued the dissemination of the second batch of Self-Learning Material for school children. Printed worksheets disseminated to vulnerable refugees who have no access to electronic material inside and outside camps (in cooperation with local community councils). New monitoring tool developed, piloted in 12 schools.	Palestine refugee children (in camps and outside camps)	West Bank and Gaza Strip
	UNESCO and UNICEF	Continue to technically support the MoE on distance learning, including its online platform, mobile phone applications, TV and radio, social media awareness raising, and teacher training	School-aged children	West Bank and Gaza Strip
	Humanity & Inclusion (HI)	Developed, recorded and published 6 e-classes on YouTube and conducted 54 individual education support session for 16 children, 23 Parents and 15 teachers have been implemented on the use of e-Learning. 808 beneficiaries received messages on how to support their children learning, through phone and social media.	Children with disability	Gaza Strip
	AFKAR	Set up a Facebook platform called "Mafaheem Ta'lumiyah" Learning Concepts". Every week, videos are uploaded on the page. 72 5- minute interactive and age appropriate videos were posted focusing Arabic, Math and science subjects	School aged children, parents and teachers	West Bank
	Palestine Save the Children Foundation (PSCF)	Conducted awareness raising sessions (200 beneficiaries) of the importance of continuing education for children.	Children, parents and teachers	Gaza Strip
Supporting the mental health and psychosocial well-being of students, parents and educators:	UNRWA	School counsellors are engaged in the 3 UNRWA hotlines to support the mental health and psychosocial well-being of refugee children. First batch of mental health and psycho-social support packages continue to be disseminated. to vulnerable refugees who have no access to electronic material inside and outside camps, in cooperation with local community councils.	Hotline targeting all Palestine Refugee children (in camps and outside camps) MHPSS package targeting refugee children from 6 to 10 years' old	West Bank
	Palestinian Counseling Center (PCC) in cooperation with MoE and UNDP	Conducted one group supervision to counsellors from private schools in East Jerusalem to support them; Provided online training for 79 MoE school counsellors Disseminated phone consultations service directory to all MOEHE school counsellors. PCC counsellors and therapists continue to conduct online individual and group counselling for children and adults.	School counsellors, children and parents	West Bank
	Tamer Institute	Developed and disseminated songs for children for awareness raising on mental health.	Children and their parents	West Bank and Gaza Strip
	Tamer Institute in cooperation MoE's directorate in East Jerusalem	Launched a training program with the school counsellors so that they can provide support to parents in dealing with the challenges their children might face at home.. This week, 3 virtual sessions were conducted.	About 40 counsellors participate in the training from different schools	East Jerusalem
Humanity & Inclusion (HI)	354 persons received information on psychosocial distress, parenting skills and how to support their children through phone, social media and SMS	Adults and parents	Gaza Strip	

16 mothers and 5 teachers participated in 21 individual sessions on domestic violence.

World Vision	Conducted first PFA COVID19-related ToT training sessions for 29 ECD community facilitators and 9 ECD supervisors. Trained 25 MoE counsellors on psycho drama related techniques to be used online for sessions with children	Counsellors, 29 ECD facilitators and 9 ECD supervisors	West Bank
NRC, PCC	49 counsellors received 3 trainings sessions to improve their skills to do phone counselling in the West Bank, 56 PSS kits were delivered for schools used as quarantine centres in Gaza for the use of psychosocial support by MoE. The kits are a kind of collective stationary items.	School counsellors, children and parents	West Bank and Gaza Strip
The Center for Mind-Body Medicine (CMBM)	20 remote Mind-Body Skills groups sessions conducted with 121 beneficiaries. Individual remote counselling sessions conducted with 33 beneficiaries	School staff, parents and teachers	Gaza Strip
Right to Play	Published their PSS play based E-cards activities to be used by children at home under supervision of teachers or parents	Children, teachers and parents	West Bank
PSCF (Palestine Save the Children Foundation).	Providing additional remote learning support to 70 twelve grade students	Students, teachers and supervisors	Gaza



Objective	Partner	Activity	Beneficiary/recipient	Geographical area
Improve vulnerable households' capacities and resilience to reduce the spread of the pandemic	ACTED	Distribution of 200 family hygiene kits and 300 dignity kits	Returnees quarantined at quarantine facilities	Gaza Strip
	MAAN	Distribution of 300 family hygiene kits and 200 dignity kits	Returnees quarantined at quarantine facilities	Gaza Strip
	ICO UAE	Delivery of 2,957 personal hygiene kits	Municipalities and village councils in the most affected areas	West Bank
	OXFAM	Distribution of 260 hygiene kits	Municipalities and village councils in the most affected areas	Bethlehem West Bank
	UAWC	Distribution of 500 hygiene kits	Municipalities and village councils in the most affected areas	West Bank
Improve the hygiene conditions and practices of the vulnerable communities in Area C	AAH	Distribution of 500 hygiene kits in communities in Area C	Bedouin and herding people in Area C	West Bank
Improve preparedness and essential service provision to "COVID-19 Quarantine Centres	OXFAM	Provision of 100 folded beds for the quarantine centre in Rafah close to the European hospital	Patients quarantined in need for medical follow up	Gaza Strip


Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

Objective	Partner	Activity	Beneficiary/recipient	Geographical area
Risk Communication and Community Engagement	DCA/NCA	Support RCCE plan through disseminating materials via 2 Radio Spots for Gaza citizens	All Gaza Radio listeners	Gaza Strip
	AAH	Support RCCE plan via conducting of 790 awareness sessions at HH level.	4345	West Bank
	UNDP	Support RCCE plan via distribution of 980 IEC poster.	980	Gaza Strip
Support quarantine centres	UNICEF	Distribution of 14,028 bottles of water (1.5 L) one weeks needs in 18 quarantine centres	2,004	Gaza Strip
	ACTED	Distribution of 12 latrines with water tanks for quarantine centres	250	West Bank
Support vulnerable families and communities	AAH, UAWC	Distribution of 1,090 hygiene kits for HHs in vulnerable communities in Ramallah & Jericho.	5,670	West Bank
	CESVI	37 HHs receive cesspit dislodge	203	Gaza
	Health Work committees	Procuring Hygiene kits and Infection Protection Control material for HWC Health enters	HWC Health centers	West Bank
	OXFAM	Distribution of 100 personnel hygiene kits for households quarantined at home.	100 hygiene kits	Beit Jala, West Bank


Food Security

Objective	Partner	Activity	Beneficiary /recipient	Geographical area	
Reducing the Food Security impact on vulnerable households and most vulnerable people	UNRWA Gaza	Concluded home delivery of in-kind food baskets (Q1 distribution) to a total of 73,000 households	73,000 Palestine refugee HHs	Across Gaza	
	PARC	Distribution of food parcel (veg, dates and Olive oil)	3,000 HH	Jerusalem	
	ICO.UAE	Delivery 1 Kg bread	30,700 HHs in affected & vulnerable communities	Gaza, WB Jerusalem	
	SIF	Food parcels for vulnerable families	192	Nablus Governorate	
	Community initiatives	Provision of vegetables parcels to most vulnerable HHs affected due to CO-19	257 HHs	Khan Yunis	
	UNRWA West Bank		Delivery of in-kind food baskets to vulnerable families to a total of 103 households	103 HHs	Bethlehem
			WFP-UNRWA distributed 1,495 food parcels to Bedouin communities.	444 HHs	West Bank
	WFP		Support and distribute e-vouchers to 17,000 non refugees in both West Bank and Gaza Strip – most vulnerable groups by COVID 19 – disabled, elderly and pregnant and lactating women.	17,000 people	West Bank and Gaza Strip

