



earthquake status update no.7 northern syria - 14 february 2023

Situation in numbers

- 1,414 deaths reported by the Syrian MoH (incl. 3 Palestine refugees in Neirab, 8 in Latakia and 7 in Jableh)
- 2 Palestine refugees are reported as missing in Latakia and Jableh, rescue efforts are ongoing by the Government
- 2,349 injuries reported by the MoH (incl. 9 PalRefs in Latakia and 2 in Neirab)
- 12 houses destroyed and 46 partially damaged in Latakia, 7 in Hama, 5 severely and 145 partially damaged in Neirab, 28 partially in Aleppo and 2 in Ein el-Tal Camp
- 13 UNRWA installations requiring detailed assessment (5 schools, Library, 1 Training Centre, 1 CBO, 1 HC, 1 clinic, 1 RSSP Office and 1 Distribution Centre, 2 Microfinance Offices)

UNRWA flash appeal

On 6th February, UNRWA launched its flash appeal for USD 2.7m to assist Palestine refugees who have been impacted by the earthquake. This will be revised in March.

Geographical coverage

Northern and Central Areas - Aleppo, Latakia, Hama and Tartous Governorates

UNRWA's Response

UNRWA is providing general assistance and targeted supports to Palestine refugees living in the affected areas.

Daily highlights

Latakia:

UNRWA continues to provide essential WASH services including safe drinking water, heating in the facilities as well as telemedicine for individuals with NCDs, older persons and those with disabilities.

UNRWA distributed water and bread to displaced people in the collective shelters, together with hygiene kits for women and diapers for children. Battery operated lighting was installed. PSS counselling is being offered to families in the collective shelters.

In addition, the Health team is making telephone contact with those with pre-existing psychiatric needs, those with NCDs who have not visited the health centres for more than two months and pregnant women, with a view to assessing their situation and visiting the health centres as necessary.

Neirab Camp, Ein el-Tal Camp and Aleppo:

The assessment of damaged houses is ongoing, with the Syndicate of Engineers reporting that previously inhabited houses in Ein el-Tal camp are safe for families to return to. Some 23 families that were previously displaced from Aleppo to Ein el-Tal are being housed in 3 temporary portacabins provided by UNICEF, together with 53 families who are staying with their relatives in the Camp.

UNRWA continues to provide essential NFIs and RTE food to families in Ein el-Tal Camp, including blankets, jerry cans and cans of sardines. An exceptional distribution of food baskets took place today in Ein el-Tal Camp for returnees and displaced families. About 286 Palestine refugee families are reported displaced in Aleppo and are staying in collective shelters, mosques and with their relatives.

Students attending UNRWA schools in the north are receiving group counselling, with 716 participating (m 377, f 339) in three schools (Aka, Al-Khayriyeh and Bisan) in the north area, Latakia and Hama.

Needs update

Latakia:

There is a need for NFIs (including diapers for females and the elderly) and food items (including water, food baskets and RTE meals), as well as cleaning materials. Baby kits for pregnant women are a priority. UNRWA distributing these items on an ongoing basis. UNRWA's Engineering team completed its inspection of installations and is preparing for repair works to commence.

Neirab and Ein el-Tal Camps:

UNRWA continues to provide essential NFIs and RTE meals to families. There is still a need to scale up aid to provide PSS, repair of damaged homes, food assistance, blankets and other NFIs. In Ein el-Tal, an alternative location is needed for the mobile clinic to operate due to damaged buildings nearby.