



earthquake status update no.8 northern syria - 15 february 2023

Situation in numbers

- 1,414 deaths reported by the Syrian MoH (incl. 3 Palestine refugees in Neirab, 8 in Latakia and 9 in Jableh)
- 2,349 injuries reported by the MoH (incl. 9 PalRefs in Latakia and 2 in Neirab)
- 77 families (293 individuals) staying in two collective centres in Latakia, 23 families staying in Ein el-Tal Camp.
- 20 houses destroyed, 54 partially damaged and 194 with cracks in Latakia and Jableh. 14 are severely and 168 partially damaged in Neirab, with 50 partially in Aleppo and 3 in Ein el-Tal Camp. 5 are seriously and 7 are partially damaged in Hama.
- 13 UNRWA installations have been assessed by the Engineering Dept. and is preparing for repair works to commence.

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, as well as telemedicine for those unable to attend clinics. In addition, the Health team is following up with those with pre-existing psychiatric needs, those with NCDs and pregnant women, with a view to assessing their situation and visiting the health centres as necessary.

UNRWA distributed food, including 625 breakfasts, water and infant formula, together with NFIs, including sanitary pads, to displaced people in the collective shelters, together with hygiene kits for women and diapers for children. PSS counselling is being offered to families in the collective shelters.

Neirab Camp, Ein el-Tal Camp and Aleppo:

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 yesterday in Ein el-Tal Camp for 184 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 725 participating (m 338, f 387) in three schools (Aka, Al-Khayriyeh and Bisan) in the north area, Latakia and Hama. Recreational activities for 65 children (m 36m, f 29) were also provided in 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.

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.

Building Assessments:

UNRWA is awaiting the findings of the assessment survey of affected buildings in Latakia. The assessment is ongoing in Neirab, with around 200 additional houses were surveyed. The Syndicate of Engineers reported that previously inhabited houses in Ein el-Tal camp are safe. 102 houses have been visited to date in Hama.