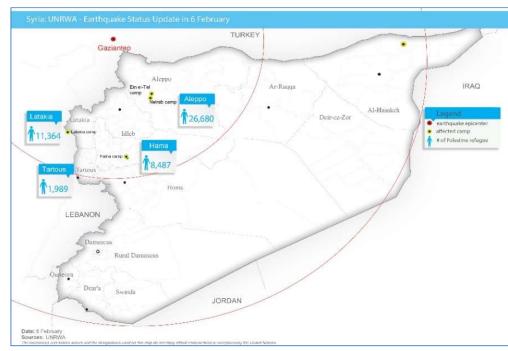
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Situation in numbers

- 1,262 deaths reported by the Syrian Ministry of Health (including 2 Palestine refugees in Neirab and 8 in Latakia)
- 9 Palestine refugees are reported as missing in Latakia and Jableh, rescue efforts are ongoing by the Government
- 2,285 injuries reported by the MoH (including 9 Palestine refugees in Latakia and 1 in Neirab)
- 12 houses completely destroyed and 41 partially damaged in Latakia, 50 partially damaged in Neirab and 8 houses partially damaged in Aleppo town
- 5 UNRWA installations with cracks and requiring detailed assessment (2 schools, 1 HC, 1 clinic and 1 RSSP Office)

UNRWA flash appeal

On 6th February, UNRWA launched its flash appeal for USD 2.7 million to assist Palestine refugees who have been impacted by the earthquake.

Geographical coverage

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

People in Need

56,164 Palestine refugees (m 26,495, f 29,669)

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.

As an immediate measure after the earthquake, UNRWA made Al Khairiyeh School available to act as a temporary shelter for Palestine refugees and Syrians. Many have returned to their homes, however around 350 still remain, with numbers going up to 500. Group counselling is being provided to those staying in the school to address anxiety levels.

Health team are making phone contacts with persons with existing psychiatric needs, persons with NCDs who have not visited the health centers for more than two months and pregnant women, with a purpose to check on their situation and visit the health centers as necessary.

Neirab:

As the number of cases with injuries increases, UNRWA continues to provide essential health, psychological and social services to the families that have been impacted by the earthquake in Neirab Camp in Aleppo.

UNRWA's mobile clinic also continues to provide medicines and clinical advice as well as telemedicine for people with a disability and the elderly. Psychosocial supports are provided to children in the school.

UNRWA has coordinated with the local authorities to ensure the safety of drinking water in the camp and access to emergency hospital services.

Needs update

Latakia:

The need for items like blankets, food, milk for children, mats and mattresses increases. Special items like hygiene and dignity kits for women and girls are a priority. UNRWA has procured some of these items and targeted distribution will be carried out during the week.

Health services and psychosocial supports and other protection services such as the creation of child friendly places remain high in the list of needs.

Neirab

As new cases are reported every day, there is a need to scale up the assistance to provide PSS, temporary shelter, rehabilitation of damaged homes, food assistance, blankets and NFIs, including dignity kits for women and girls. The need for additional medical and health services are anticipated.

UNRWA is coordinating with organisations such as Palestine Red Crescent Society, Syrian Arab Red Crescent and other local NGOs to coordinate support for shelters for Palestine refugees.

