REGIONAL HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE TO THE CRISIS IN OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORY



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On 27 June, **at least 60,000 people** were <u>displaced</u> overnight from Gaza City and 5,000 from Al Mawasi area of Rafah, according to OCHA.

Ground incursions and heavy fighting also continue to be reported across the Gaza strip.



SITUATION OVERVIEW

The latest large-scale escalation of conflict in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territory on 7 October 2023 has led to an unprecedented humanitarian catastrophe in Gaza. Intense Israeli bombardment and ground operations as well as heavy fighting between Israeli forces and Palestinian armed groups continue to be reported across much of the Gaza Strip.

As of 27 June, UNRWA estimates that some 75 per cent of Gaza's population (1.75 million out of 2.3 million people), more than half of whom are children, are displaced. Most are living in makeshift structures, tents, or out in the open. Access to basic services remains severely limited — the lack of food,

water, fuel, basic items, and poor hygiene practices, further exacerbate people's living conditions, amplifying protection and mental health risks, as well as the risks associated with the spread of disease.

IOM is urgently appealing for resources to support its response to the rising critical humanitarian needs of hundreds of thousands of civilians in the Occupied Palestinian Territory and neighbouring countries affected by the ongoing hostilities. Your support is critical in our mission to deliver emergency aid to displaced families in Gaza and in surrounding countries impacted by the crisis and hostilities.

- Access constraints continue to <u>severely hamper</u> the delivery of essential humanitarian assistance and services across Gaza, including the provision of critical food and nutrition aid, medical care, protection and shelter support, as well as water, sanitation, and hygiene services.
- The inability of humanitarian agencies to consistently and safely transport aid commodities from Kareem Abu Salem (Kerem Shalom) Crossing and the closure of Rafah Crossing are <u>significantly undermining</u> aid operations. Deteriorating public order is severely impacting aid operations and humanitarian workers.
- Emergency Relief Coordinator Martin Griffiths emphasized
 the need for safety and security, as well as humanitarian
 access. UN aid teams and partner organizations remain
 deeply committed to delivering lifesaving supplies to
 Gazans in need, despite the increasing dangers of working
 there.
- Save the Children <u>estimates</u> that up to 21,000 children are missing in the chaos of the war in Gaza, many trapped beneath rubble, detained, buried in unmarked graves, or lost from their families.

- A high risk of famine persists across the whole Gaza Strip and will for as long as conflict continues, and humanitarian access is restricted. About 96 per cent of the population in the Gaza Strip (2.15M people) face high levels of acute food insecurity, as <u>assessed</u> by the multipartner Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) initiative.
- UNRWA <u>describes</u> worsening living conditions in Gaza with hundreds of thousands of people deprived of adequate shelter, food, medicine and clean water with trash piling up and ability to dispose garbage, and treat sewage severely restricted.
- There <u>remain</u> critically low levels of fuel available to carry out aid missions impacting aid operations and the functioning of critical water, sanitation, health and other facilities across the Gaza Strip.
- With exchanges of fire and rhetoric rising in Lebanon, the UN Secretary-General has <u>urged</u> the parties to recommit to the full implementation of resolution 1701 and immediately return to a cessation of hostilities along the Blue Line.

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IOM'S RESPONSE

LEBANON

10,256 individuals have been reached with multi-sectoral humanitarian assistance.

As of 25 June, IOM Lebanon's Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) has <u>recorded</u> 96,829 IDPs with a 2 per cent increase since 11 June. IDPs have sought safety in 415 locations (villages or neighbourhoods) across 342 cadasters throughout Lebanon.

IOM Site Coordination teams supported the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) through a comprehensive three-day Site Management and Coordination training from 25 to 27 June. The training was conducted for partners, such as Terre des hommes Foundation (Tdh) and the Middle East Council of Churches (MECC), and aimed to introduce participants to site management and build the capacity of site management staff in delivering on their roles and responsibilities. Topics ranged from site selection to coordination and monitoring of service provision, governance and community participation, information sharing, as well as gender-based violence mitigation and safe site closures.

EGYPT

A second field mission by IOM to Al Arish is currently underway to document items in the Egyptian Red Crescent (ERC) warehouse. The objective is to prepare a detailed inventory of the current items in the warehouse and resend items to the border or back to partners.

CYPRUS

1,000 tents were shipped to Gaza under the common pipeline.

A total of 9,421 hygiene kits donated to IOM are currently in Port Larnaca warehouse awaiting loading on the next vessel scheduled on 3 July enroute to Benavidez floating warehouse.

The floating pier was removed on Friday 28 June due to weather conditions. The UN's cooperation with the floating pier remains suspended due to security considerations. The transfer of items that were on the beach has resumed.

JORDAN

30,000 Shelter and Non-Food Items (S-NFI) sent to Gaza 10,451 Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) items sent to Gaza

The supply chain operations in Jordan, particularly through the corridor operated by the Jordan Hashemite Charity Organization (JHCO) and the Jordanian Armed Forces (JAF), are enabling the procurement and strategic pre-positioning of necessary items to be dispatched to Gaza. This government-to-government corridor remains active and functional as a vital route for logistical activities. However, the other supply corridor in Jordan is non-operational, and access for humanitarian organizations continues to be restricted, posing challenges to the seamless facilitation of aid and resources.



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