In Numbers

13 million people in need of humanitarian assistance
6.2 million people internally displaced
6.7 million people are food insecure

Situation Update (including security)

Situation in North-Western Syria

- Despite the Turkish-Russian agreement, clashes between the government and non-state armed groups continued in November in the north-west, including along the Idlib-Lattakia border, in southern and eastern Idlib, and in northern Hama. Should the situation deteriorate further, WFP stands ready to respond to the needs of 1 million people with strategic stocks of ready-to-eat rations (RTEs), food rations as well as nutrition supplies for 150,000 children both inside Idlib, in Turkey, and inside Syria.

Situation in North-Eastern Syria

- The military operation against the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) in Hajin sub-district continued over the month of November, resulting in a small-scale displacement towards areas inside and outside Deir Ezzor governorate. WFP covered the needs of the newly displaced people in three IDP camps across the north-eastern governorates with life-saving food assistance, including RTEs for some 1,000 IDPs in Areesha camp (Al-Hasek) and food rations for 785 IDPs in both Abo-Khashab (Deir Ezzor) and Twehina (Ar-Raqqa) camps.

- On 29 November, an inter-agency assessment mission where two WFP cooperating partners were travelling to Diben was ambushed by armed men on motorcycles, about 50 km south of Deir Ezzor. The convoy managed to escape the attack to a secure location. However, a driver was injured and received medical treatment; the driver is now in a stable condition.

Situation in Northern Syria

- In Aleppo governorate, heavy shelling in Al Khaldia and Az-Zahraa neighbourhoods was reported on 24 November, with the unconfirmed use of a chemical agent, resulting in approximately 100 injuries. Following the incident, Russia carried out airstrikes in Rashideen and Khan Tuman districts in the western suburbs of Aleppo city and near Idlib in the first

Highlights

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- WFP dispatched food assistance for 228,700 people in 31 locations across hard-to-reach areas in Rural Damascus, Quneitra, Deir Ezzor, Hama and Ar-Raqqa governorates.

3.5 Million
People assisted
November 2018

Global Humanitarian Funding

Overall: USD 3.51 billion
WFP share: USD 792,163,289

WFP Net Funding Requirement

Transitional Interim Country Strategic Plan (TICSP)
(December 2018 - May 2019)
USD 116.9 million

Photo: ©WFP Hussam Al-Saleh Caption: Beneficiaries receiving WFP food rations in Damascus.
airstrikes since the Russian-Turkish Idlib buffer zone agreement was signed in mid-September. All WFP staff were confirmed safe and accounted for and WFP operations were not impacted.

**Situation in Southern Syria**

- WFP, in collaboration with the Syrian Arab Red Crescent (SARC), completed the blanket one-off emergency food distributions that were initiated in July 2017 following the changes to lines of control in the southern governorates of Syria. As of 22 November, through the blanket emergency response, WFP provided enough food rations for 535,400 people in Dar’a and Quneitra governorates.

**WFP Response**

- During the November cycle, WFP delivered food assistance for 3.5 million people in all 14 governorates, achieving 96 percent of the monthly plan.
- Cross-border deliveries from Turkey accounted for 17 percent of the total WFP food assistance dispatched. The food delivered meets the needs of 579,900 people in areas inaccessible from inside Syria in Aleppo, Idlib and Hama governorates.
- Moreover, WFP dispatched food assistance for 228,700 people in 31 locations across hard-to-reach areas in Rural Damascus, Quneitra, Hama, Deir Ezzor, and Ar-Raqqah governorates.

**Livelihood and Resilience Projects**

- WFP is currently implementing seven livelihood projects, benefiting 136,800 people in 11 governorates across the country. Projects cover various areas including vocational skills training, kitchen gardens, poultry, and farming.
- In November, WFP and FAO began a joint project in response to drought in the north-east, targeting 14,500 rural families in Aleppo, Ar-Raqqah, Deir Ezzor, Al-Hasakeh and Hama governorates with food and seeds.

**School Feeding Programme**

- Under the school feeding programme, WFP dispatched 1,031 mt of fortified date bars, enough for some 614,200 children attending schools in Aleppo, Damascus, Homs, Hama, Lattakia, Quneitra, Tartous and Rural Damascus governorates.
- In Aleppo governorate, nearly 10,000 children were provided with fresh school meals which comprise a sandwich, and a fruit or vegetable.
- WFP also supported some 1,100 out-of-school children with food vouchers in Homs and Lattakia governorates.

**Nutrition Assistance**

- In November, WFP dispatched nutrition products for the prevention of acute malnutrition and micronutrient deficiencies for 120,900 children in Rural Damascus, Damascus, Tartous, Lattakia, Quneitra, Dar’a, Homs, Hama, Al-Hasakeh, Deir Ezzor, Idlib, Aleppo and Ar-Raqqah governorates, through the cross-border operation from Turkey as well as regular deliveries from inside Syria.
- WFP also delivered nutrition supplies for the treatment of moderate acute malnutrition to Community-Based Management of Acute Malnutrition centres and mobile clinics in Al-Hasakeh, Ar-Raqqah, Deir Ezzor, Idlib, Homs, Hama, Damascus and Dar’a governorates. The supplies were delivered through the cross-border operation from Turkey as well as regular distributions and are sufficient to meet the needs of 7,050 children and pregnant and nursing women for a period of one month.
- Moreover, 34,768 pregnant and nursing women received nutrition support through cash-based transfers to purchase fresh food, including dairy products, meat, fruits and vegetables, from WFP-contracted shops in Lattakia, Homs, Hama, Rural Damascus, Damascus, Tartous and Aleppo governorates.

**Supply Chain**

- In November, WFP moved a total of 42,474 mt of various food commodities from its seven storage facilities to 52 cooperating partners across all 14 governorates. Commodities were delivered for various activities and included RTEs, food rations, fortified wheat flour, nutrition supplies, date bars, and yeast.

**Clustering and Common Services**

**Food Security and Agriculture Sector**

- The Food Security Sector for the Whole of Syria finalised the data analysis for the 2019 Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO). In the upcoming two months, the Sector will consult with the relevant line ministries on the results. The HNO is expected to be published in February 2018.
- The Sector conducted detailed consultations on gender mainstreaming in preparation of the 2019 HNO and Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP). The sector is also initiating trainings on gender-based violence (GBV) mainstreaming.

**Logistics Cluster**

- The WFP-led Logistics Cluster continued to facilitate coordination services, information management and logistic support to the humanitarian community in Syria and provided logistics services to eight partners in November. This includes land transport of humanitarian supplies to Deir Ezzor and Al-Hasakeh governorates in addition to Eastern Ghouta on a no-cost basis.
- The Logistics Cluster also stored 2,564 m³ of newly received humanitarian goods in its common storage facilities in Aleppo, Homs, Qamishli and Rural Damascus on behalf of IMC and UNFPA.
- In addition, a total of 1,593 m³ of health and WASH items were transported via land to Aleppo, Qamishli, Lattakia, Homs, Hama and Damascus governorates on behalf of UNFPA.

**Resourcing Update**

- WFP is currently providing food assistance to 3.5 million people instead of the envisioned 4 million people due to limited funding. At present, allocated contributions only cover 76 percent of planned WFP activities inside Syria. WFP urgently needs funds to continue providing food assistance to those most in need and requires USD 116.9 million to keep operations running through May 2019.
## WFP’s Activities

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* Includes requirements under the 2019-2020 WFP Syria Interim Country Strategic Plan (ICSP) which will be launched in January 2019

** The total beneficiary figure includes beneficiaries of all activities as there is an almost complete overlap between activities.

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