





11 May Floods, Baghlan, Afghanistan


Regional Monthly Update


01 - 30 April 2024

KEY HIGHLIGHTS AND CHALLENGES

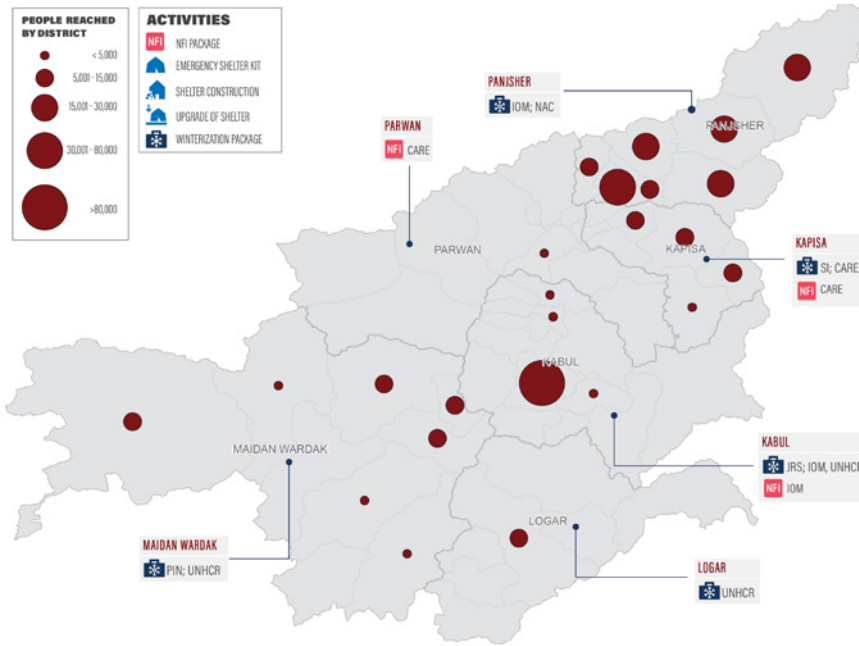
 Recent floods in Afghanistan have caused catastrophic damage, resulting in over 200 fatalities and leaving thousands without shelter. Multiple provinces are affected, with significant damages to homes and infrastructure, especially in the Northeast, Southern, Eastern, and Western Regions. Emergency shelter and NFI assistance assessments and distributions are underway. As of May 5, 2024, over 9,700 homes have been affected, with 3,000 destroyed and 6,700 damaged.

 As 1st of May, USD 12.8M is urgently needed to address immediate emergency shelter, NFI, repair and rebuild needs of affected families, supporting their quick recovery and the restoration of built infrastructure.

 The shelter cluster response to recent floods, and heavy rainfall across the country is constrained by a lack of funding for repair / rebuild assistance, owing to parallel emergencies and the scale of response for returnees and other vulnerable families affected by floods across the country. Additional resources are urgently required to support families repair and rebuild their homes with dignity

 National and regional stockpiles across the country continue to considerably decline as partners respond to the needs of affected communities. Additional resources are urgently required to replenish emergency stockpiles including tents, NFIs, emergency shelter repair tool kits, plastic tarpaulin, and others.

Capital



In 2024 (HRP & ReportHub data)

243,136

PLANNED REACH

147,399 (61%)

BENEFICIARIES
REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
151,946	776	-	-	-

Number of new individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- Partner ACHRO has completed the shelter needs assessment for the construction of fifty permanent shelters and the repair of one hundred shelters in the Bagrami district of Kabul province.
- ActionAid Afghanistan has conducted a winterization needs assessment in the Estalif and Farza districts of Kabul province, funded by UN-OCHA. As part of this initiative, a total of 1,517 households were assessed and found eligible for winterization assistance (nine hundred households in Estalif and 617 households in Farza districts).
- NAC has also conducted winterization needs assessments for 3,432 households in various districts of Panjshir province. Moreover, the NAC M&E team conducted a Post-Distribution Monitoring (PDM) survey for the assisted families and adopted the random sampling method during the PDM survey.
- PiN conducted a winterization needs assessment in Chak Wardak (322 households) and Daymirdad (three hundred households) districts of Maidan Wardak province in April 2024.
- During April 2024, recurring heavy rainfall resulted in loss of life, injuries, damage to shelters and non-food Items (NFIs). ESNFI Cluster partners including IOM, DACAAR, SCI, ARCS, DRC, and UNICEF conducted joint need assessments for families affected by heavy rainfalls in various provinces and identified 104 households eligible for assistance in Parwan province, sixty-two households in Kapisa, thirty-seven households in Panjshir, twenty-nine households in Maidan Wardak and eighty-two households in Kabul.

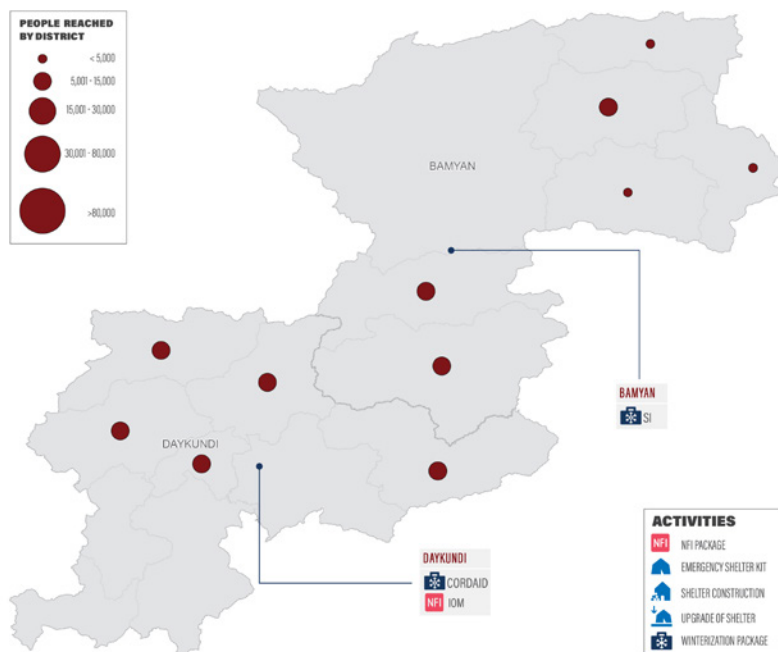
Response

- ActionAid has distributed winterization assistance to 1,517 families in Kabul province.
- NAC has distributed winterization assistance to 3,432 families in six various districts of Panjshir province.
- In addition, PiN distributed winterization assistance to 322 families in Chak-i-Wardak and three hundred families in Daymirdad districts of Midan Wardak province during the reporting period of Apr 2024. Each family received different amounts of cash assistance depending on the winter assessed needs of the families.
- During the reporting period Apr 2024, ES-NFI Cluster partners reached affected families with emergency assistance, IOM provided emergency shelters, NFIs, in both cash and in kind, DRC responded with reduced MPCA in Kabul, Parwan, and Kapisa provinces and DACAAR and UNICEF provided hygiene kits to the 263 eligible families in Kabul, Kapisa and Panjshir provinces.

Gaps / Challenges

- Partner ACHRO reported challenges to the beneficiary's lack of access to land. Based on their shelter assessment, despite severe vulnerabilities among affected families, a small number of families had access to land for the construction of transitional shelter or constructing house nor houses to repair. In Bagrami district, ACHRO assessed 469 households and only eighteen had land available for construction of transitional shelters and six owned homes requiring repairs.
- Due to funding gaps, and limited resources, partner PIN acknowledged that they could not address all the winterization needs of the populations in the various targeted districts of Midan Wardak province. The partner also reported some challenges in coordinating with DfA and local communities on the selection of villages and households to be supported by the program.
- In Logar province, partners reported that female staff were not allowed to participate in the joint assessment teams. Consequently, the assessment has been paused, and negotiations are underway with DfA to resume the need assessment.

Central Highland



In 2024 (HRP & ReportHub data)

43,383

PLANNED REACH

29,091 (67%)

BENEFICIARIES REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
29,208	1,316	-	-	-

29,208

1,316

Number of new individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- Partners including IOM, ARADA/ WFP, Action Aid, ACTED, IRC, WSTA/UNHCR, CWSA, AK, IRW, SI, ANDMA and district authorities participated in a joint needs assessment in different districts of Bamyan province. One hundred families were identified eligible for humanitarian assistance with their homes assessed as having been destroyed or severely damaged by the heavy rainfalls and flash floods.
- Partner IRC identified 103 vulnerable households in need of heating assistance in Bamyan city.
- Partners including IOM, ARADA/ WFP, WSTA/UNHCR, OHW, Afghan Aid, AAH, ANDMA and district authorities participated in a joint needs assessment in different districts of Daikundi province on 22 April. 199 families were verified in need of humanitarian emergency assistance.

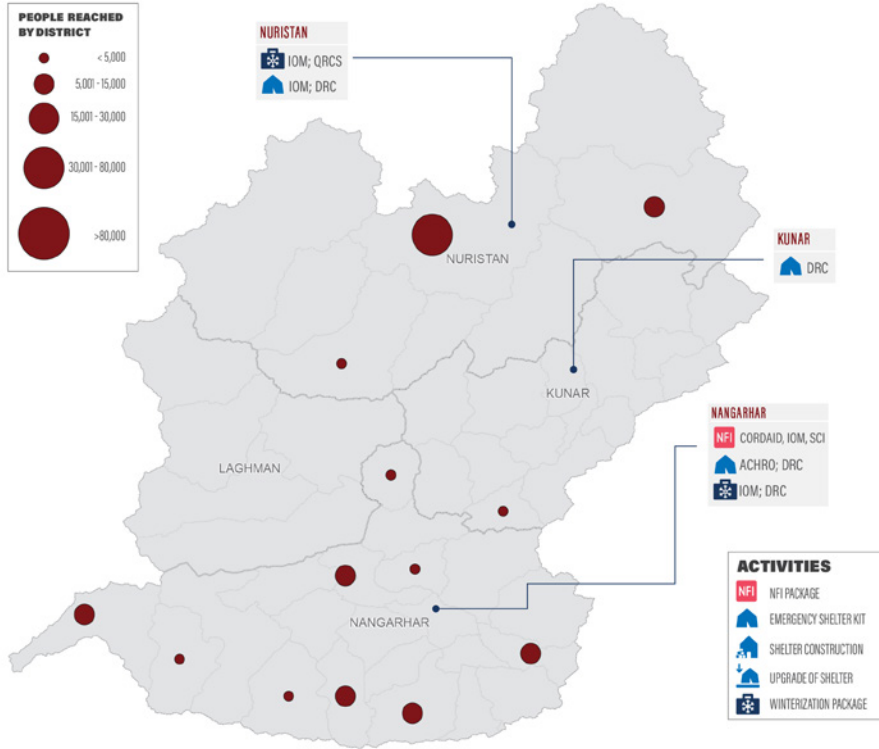
Response

- IOM provided Emergency Shelter kits (Tent and plastic tarpaulin) and Non Food Items (NFIs) for all 199 households assessed in need in Daykundi province.

Gaps / Challenges

- The ban on female staff working for NGOs by DFA, remains a major challenge impacting all partners working in the region.
- Delays in response due to partners semi-reliance on results from joint assessment teams, with bilateral re-verification of needs, which further delays the response.
- Lack of resources, and partner operational presence in some of the affected areas.

Eastern



In 2024 (HRP & ReportHub data)

74,848
PLANNED REACH

52,438 (70%)
BENEFICIARIES
REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
34,401	5,788	253	-	9,245

Number of new individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- Nangarhar Province: During the reporting period two joint assessment teams including IOM, DRC, SCI, WFP, CWS, FAO, UNICEF, ACTED, WAW/UNHCR, and ANDMA, assessed 1427 heavy rainfall/flood-affected families and identified 618 families eligible for humanitarian assistance.
- Kunar Province: During the reporting period two joint assessment teams, including IOM, DRC, WFP, IRC, SCI, PU-AMI, and ANDMA assessed 993 heavy rainfall/flood-affected families and identified 220 families eligible for humanitarian assistance. In addition, thirty-seven families were identified at risk of landslide and recommended for relocation to safer zones. IOM is committed to covering NFIs and Emergency shelters (Tents).
- Laghman Province: During the reporting period the joint assessment team, including IOM, IRC, WFP, and ANDMA assessed 484 heavy rainfall/ flood affected and identified 150 families eligible for humanitarian assistance.

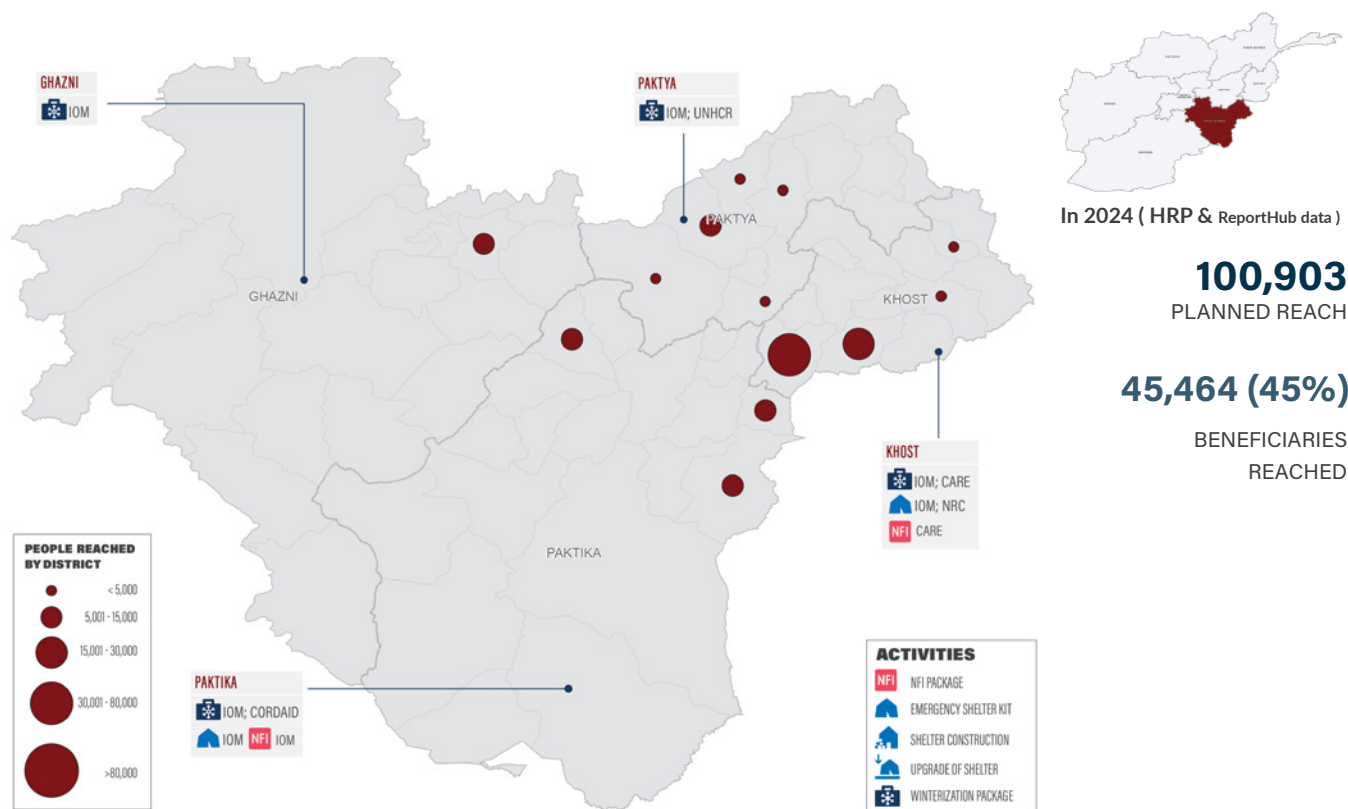
Response

- In Nangarhar Province, DRC distributed cash for rent (CfR \$152/ family) to twenty-seven returnees' families. ACTED distributed the second installment for cash for shelter repair for 149 families while UN-HABITAT distributed the second installment for cash for shelter repair to six hundred families.
- In Kunar Province, DRC provided technical shelter support to 119 families, and UN-HABITAT distributed the second installment of cash for shelter repair to four hundred families.
- In Laghman Province, UN-HABITAT distributed the second installment for cash for shelter repair to two hundred families.

Gaps / Challenges

- Continual rainfall/ flash flooding adversely affected the Eastern region causing fatalities, injuries, and damage to homes.
- Partners in the region have received thousands of petitions referred by the authorities for humanitarian assistance for families affected by the recent heavy rainfall and flash flooding.
- Potential risk of landslides identified in Kunar and urgent need for relocation of at-risk families to safer zones.
- Shelter partners in the region have no capacities and resources available to support, address, repair, and transitional shelter needs for families affected by floods and heavy rainfall.
- Limited support and lack of permission from MoRR / DoRR to initiate assessment for returnees.
- Reports on DfA interferences during assessment and distribution of humanitarian assistance.
- Shelter partners in the region have no capacities and resources available to support and address emergency shelter, NFI, cash for rent, repair and transitional shelter needs for returnee families in the region.
- Limited participation of women in the response, including during assessment, and distributions, with impact on reach particularly for women-headed households.

Southeastern



Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
38,648	260	112	-	829

Number of new individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- In Paktia: A joint assessment team consisting of IOM, ANDMA, IRC, WFP, and UNICEF assessed 130 families affected by heavy rainfalls and flash floods in different districts of Paktia province. Fifty-nine families were found eligible to receive emergency shelter assistance with fifty families recommended for additional shelter repair assistance and four families for transitional shelter support.
- Ghazni: A joint assessment team consisting of IOM, DRC, WFP, and UNICEF, was deployed by the PDMC to assess fifty-four households affected by the recent flash floods in Andar, Dehyak, Ghazni City, and Jaghori districts. The joint assessment team recommended emergency shelter NFI, and repair assistance to all the eligible families.
- Paktika: A joint assessment team consisting of IOM, including DRC, UNICEF, CHA, and WFP assessed sixty families affected by the heavy rainfalls and flash floods in various parts of the province. Thirty-four families in the Urgon, Khusham, and Mota Khan districts were found eligible and recommended to receive emergency shelter NFI and repair assistance.
- Khost: ANDMA and partners reported that twenty-five households were affected by flash floods in the province. Due to restrictions on female staff to participate in the joint assessment team, the partners were not able to proceed with a needs assessment.

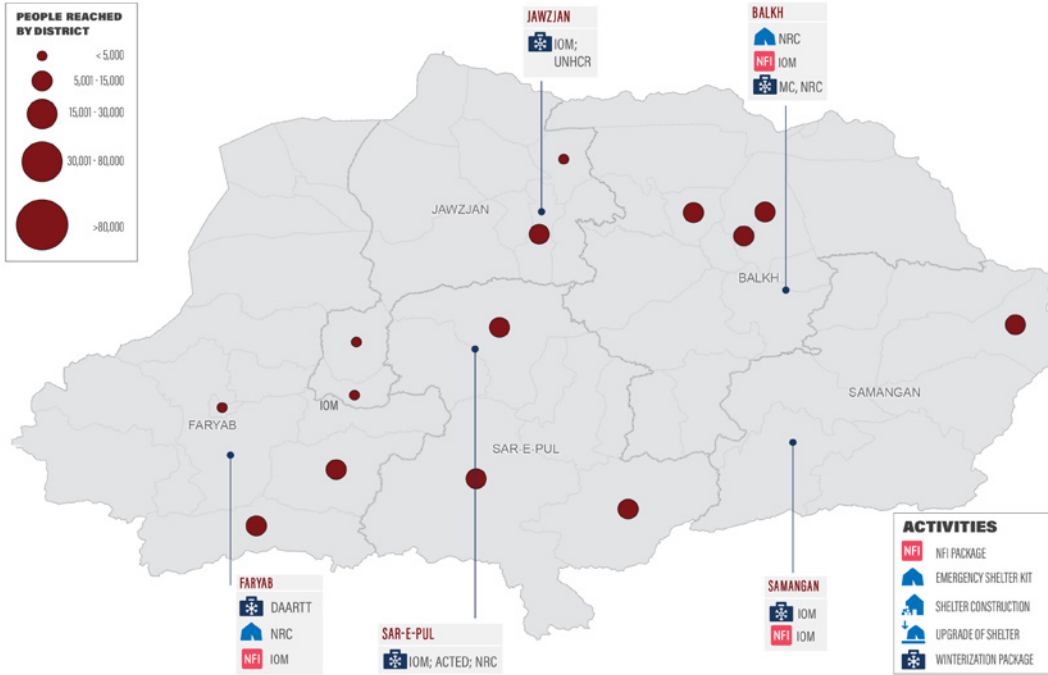
Response

- IOM assisted ninety-three households (34 Paktika, 59 Paktia) affected by recent floods and heavy rainfall with cash for NFIs. In addition to the above, DRC and IRC provided additional MPCA support to the affected families.
- In Khost province, ANDMA and ARCS provided basic NFIs to twenty-five families affected by flash floods in month of April.
- UNHCR distributed the first installment of cash for shelter to the remaining eight hundred families affected by the earthquake in Giyan in June 2022.

Gaps / Challenges

- In the Southeast Region, 172 families affected by flash floods during the month of April 2024 remain in dire need of shelter repair support.
- In addition, 2016 returnee families assessed and verified eligible for humanitarian assistance by joint assessment teams in the SE region, remain in need of NFI assistance.
- Restrictions on female participation in the joint assessment team, constrained partners' ability to affected communities, in particular, female-headed households.

Northern



In 2024 (HRP & ReportHub data)

194,415
PLANNED REACH

28,438 (15%)
BENEFICIARIES REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
23,107	571	105	3,423	666

Number of new individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- Three joint assessment teams were conducted to assess the impact of heavy rainfalls and flash floods in three provinces of Balkh, Faryab, and Jawzjan. The assessments are expected to be completed by Thursday 9th May.

Response

- ACTED provided cash-for-shelter repair support (550 USD) to fifty-nine households in Maimana City and sixteen households in the Dawlat Abad district of Faryab province whose homes were damaged by the recent floods. In addition, twenty-six families received cash assistance for the rehabilitation of their shelters. Each family received a total amount of 550 USD as per the cluster guidelines.
- IOM provided standard non-food items (NFI) to one hundred families whose homes had been impacted by the floods in five districts of Samangan province (Feroznakhchir, Ayabk, Khulm, Ruye doab, Khuram o Sarbagh & Hazrat Sultan).

Gaps / Challenges

- Out of the 390 homes reported as severely damaged due to the heavy rainfalls and flash floods across the northern region, only eighty-five households have been assisted with cash for shelter repair. 305 households remain in dire need of shelter repair assistance. Similarly, an additional one hundred families, whose homes were destroyed by the recent flood incidents in the northern region, remain in need of transitional shelters.

Southern

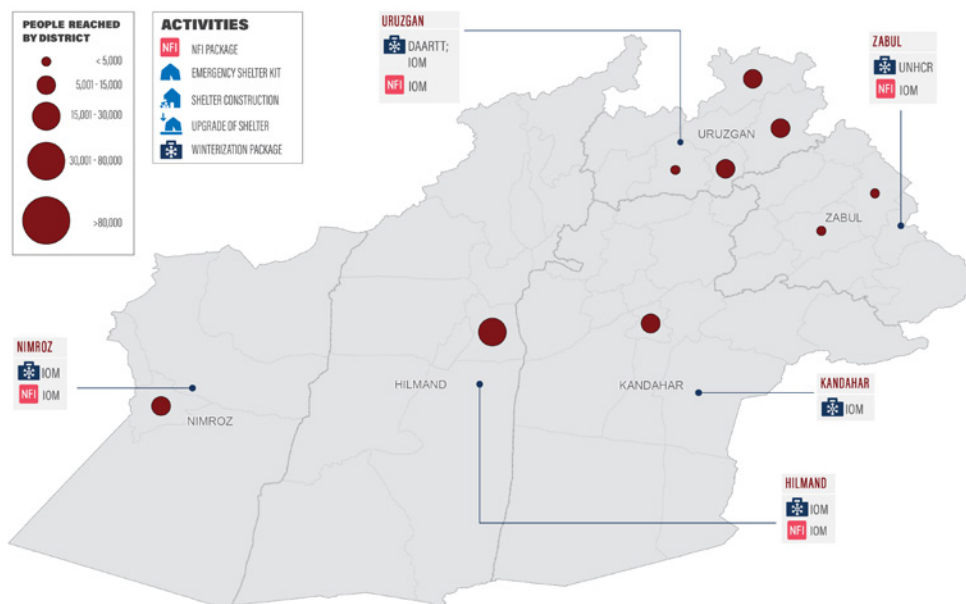


In 2024 (HRP & ReportHub data)

146,935
PLANNED REACH

27,677 (19%)

BENEFICIARIES
REACHED



Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
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26,211	3,000	-	-	-
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Number of new individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- UNHCR conducted shelter assessments in Kandahar & Urozgan provinces and verified 204 households eligible for transitional shelter support in the assessed locations.
- NRC shelter team conducted shelter repair needs assessments in flood-affected locations and verified thirty-nine vulnerable families eligible for shelter repair/upgrade response in Urozgan province.
- A joint assessment team consisting of IOM, WFP, UNHCR, UNICEF NRC, DRC, and WAW was conducted in Kandahar, Helmand, Zabul, Urozgan, and Nimroz provinces and identified 906 families eligible for humanitarian assistance.

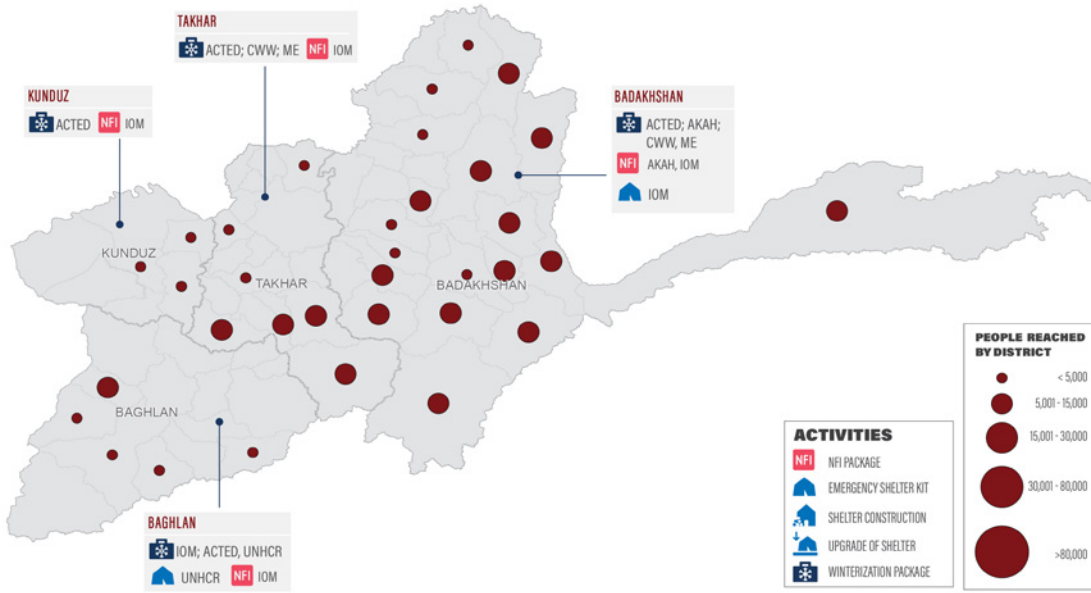
Response

- DRC distributed the first installment of cash for shelter repair to fifty families in the Takhtapul district of Kandahar province. In addition, the partners further distributed cash for the transitional shelter and shelter repair to twenty-three families and eighty-five families respectively in the Kakar district of Zabul province.
- UNHCR initiated the construction work of sixty-eight transitional shelters in Kandahar and Urozgan provinces. In addition, the partner distributed a blanket module to thirty-nine families affected by the heavy rains in Kandahar province.
- IOM distributed standard NFI kits, winter clothes, and shelter repair kits to 503 families affected by the heavy rains in Kandahar, Helmand, Zabul, Urozgan, and Nimroz provinces identified by the joint assessment team.

Gaps / Challenges

- UNHCR reported that the provision of shelter assistance to women remains limited due to cultural sensitivities. In addition, the lack of land ownership rights does significantly affect permanent shelter construction in urban areas of Kandahar city. Also, there is inadequate funding to cover all the available shelter needs.
- Within the region, the heavy rainfall has resulted in devastating fatalities, and injuries, with 1,030 houses severely damaged, and 352 families destroyed. Affected families remain in dire need of shelter support and partners in the region have no capacity to address shelter repair and transitional shelter needs.

Northeastern



In 2024 (HRP & ReportHub data)

339,622

PLANNED REACH

57,756 (17%)

BENEFICIARIES REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
47,917	13,792	-	-	9,443

Number of new individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- A Joint assessment team consisting of IOM, Concern WW, and ANDMA assessed 136 families affected by the heavy rainfall and flooding in four provinces in the region in need of emergency shelter and NFIs assistance.
- Rapid Assessment Mechanism (RAM) assessment is ongoing in Takhar (Farkhar and Warsaj districts) and Badakhshan (Yumgan district) provinces to verify the level of need for Shelter and NFIs assistance in the provinces.

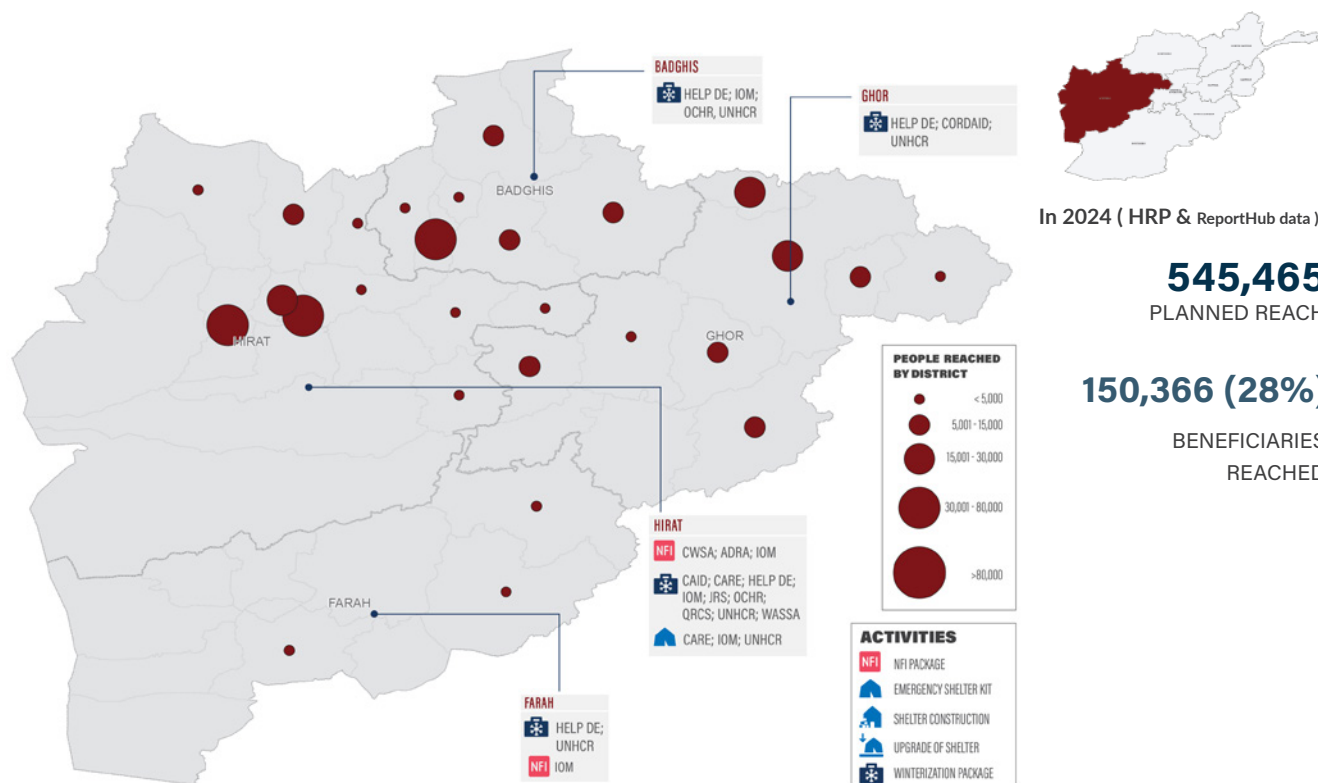
Response

- Shelter cluster partners including IOM, Concern WW, and ANDMA have distributed 138 Non-Food Items (NFIs) and 45 Emergency shelter kits (tents) in four provinces of NER during April 2024 in response to the floods and heavy rainfall events.

Gaps / Challenges

- Forty-five families affected by various natural disasters during the month of April, remain in need of emergency shelter assistance.
- Postponing of IRC winterization program by Defacto authority in two districts of Kunduz.
- Delay in WADAN transitional shelter activities in the Raghistan district of Badakhshan due to chilly weather.
- DoRR in Kunduz and Baghlan provinces have yet to agree for partners to initiate RAM assessments in the region with an impact on advocacy activities for the Shelter and NFIs needs in those two provinces.

Western



In 2024 (HRP & ReportHub data)

545,465
PLANNED REACH

150,366 (28%)

BENEFICIARIES
REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
127,818	13,959	8,942	8,793	3,648

Number of new individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- Reports of significant impact from heavy rainfall in the provinces of Herat, Ghor, Badghis, and Farah. Joint needs assessments are ongoing, and results have yet to be shared.

Response

- NRC provided fifteen transitional shelters and eighty-five shelter upgrades in the Bala Murghab district, Badghis. IOM provided Emergency shelter and NFIs assistance to thirty-seven households in Ghor, thirty-three households in Farah, fourteen households in Badghis, and eighty-four households in Herat.
- ORCDG provides fifty-three transitional shelters in Herat.
- CRS distributed the first installment for sixty-one households who are targeted with transitional shelter assistance in Herat.
- DRC distributed a third installment for transitional shelter assistance to 116 households out of 185 households in Herat. The partner has also assisted seventy households in Farah and thirty-eight households in Herat with shelter upgrade assistance.
- OHW construction of 150 transitional shelters in the Zinda Jan district is ongoing.
- ACTED distributed the second installment for the shelter repair/upgrade to 150 households in Injil Herat.
- ADRA-Afghanistan distributed 345 standard non-food items (NFI) packages in the earthquake-affected areas in the Injil district.
- ARRA-UNHCR provided winterization assistance to 225 households in Ghoriyan and Kushk Robat Sangi Herat.

Gaps/Challenges

- High need for shelter assistance in Herat and Badghis.
- Limited capacity from the community to support the construction of transitional shelters.