



Community assessment in returnees town of Lal wa Sarjangal district, Ghor Province, ©UNHCR, July 2023

# Regional Monthly Update

01 - 31 July 2023

## KEY HIGHLIGHTS AND CHALLENGES



Since the beginning of year, ES/NFI clusters partners have reached **372,481 (31%)** individuals with multiple Emergency shelters (ES) and NFI assistance (Transitional shelter, Shelter repair or upgrade, winterization, standard ES and NFI assistance).



Drought: close to 11,000 people have been displaced from 22 villages in Ghorak district due to drought. The affected families have been displaced to Kandahar city, Khakrez, Zheri and Maywand districts as well as Sangin district.



Natural disaster: Major flooding incident occurred in Maidan Wardak, Khost province and Kabul area, at least 600 houses were reported to be damaged and several deaths.

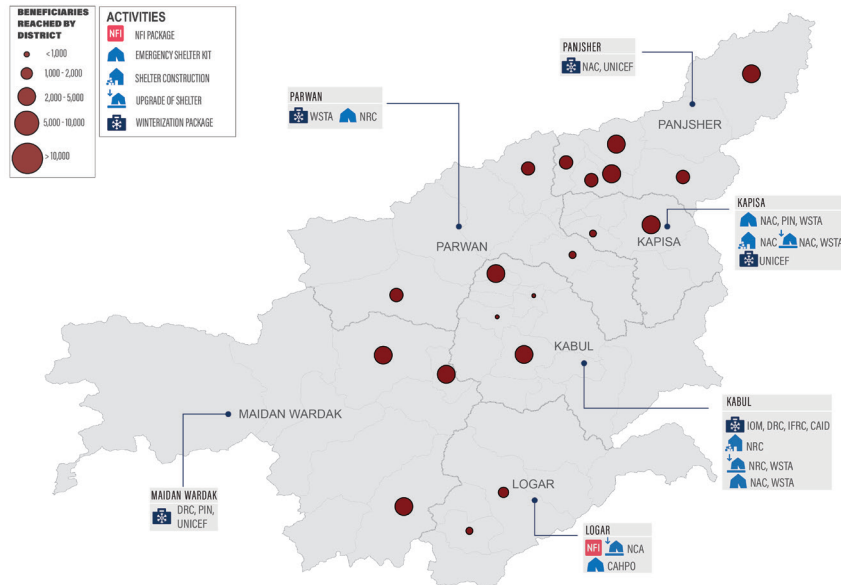


Evictions: two key informal settlements (KIS) in Pul Shina No 1, No 2, and Hussain Khail in PD22. About 1,850 households were demolished by the Kabul Municipality.

# Capital



In 2023 ( HRP & ReportHub data )



**253,323**

PLANNED REACH

**88,045 (35%)**

BENEFICIARIES REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
-	-	516	-	6,373

*Number of new individuals reached during the current month*

## Needs Analysis

- IOM conducted needs assessments in collaboration with other partners for the recent flash floods that affected families in Kabul, Midan Wardak and Parwan provinces.
- In Kapisa, the Norwegian Afghanistan Committee (NAC) is implementing a shelter project funded by AHF which covers 462 eligible households.

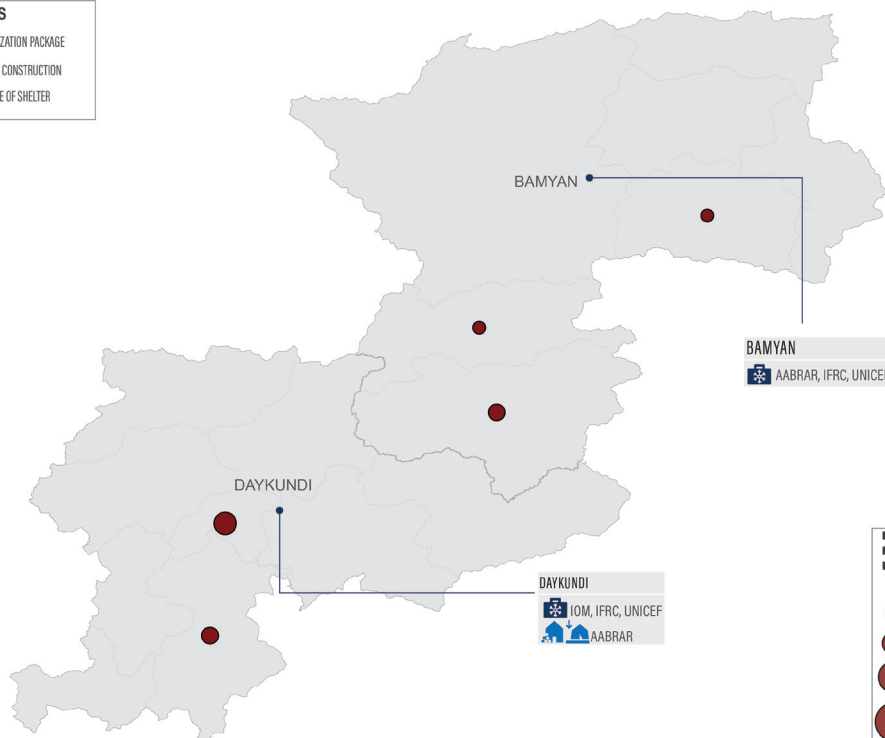
## Gaps / Challenges

- There is a lack of water to complete shelter works and a lack of skilled and unskilled labor in the central region.

# Central Highland

**ACTIVITIES**

- WINTERIZATION PACKAGE
- SHELTER CONSTRUCTION
- UPGRADE OF SHELTER



In 2022 ( HRP & ReportHub data )

**28,285**  
PLANNED REACH

**13,443 (48%)**  
BENEFICIARIES REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
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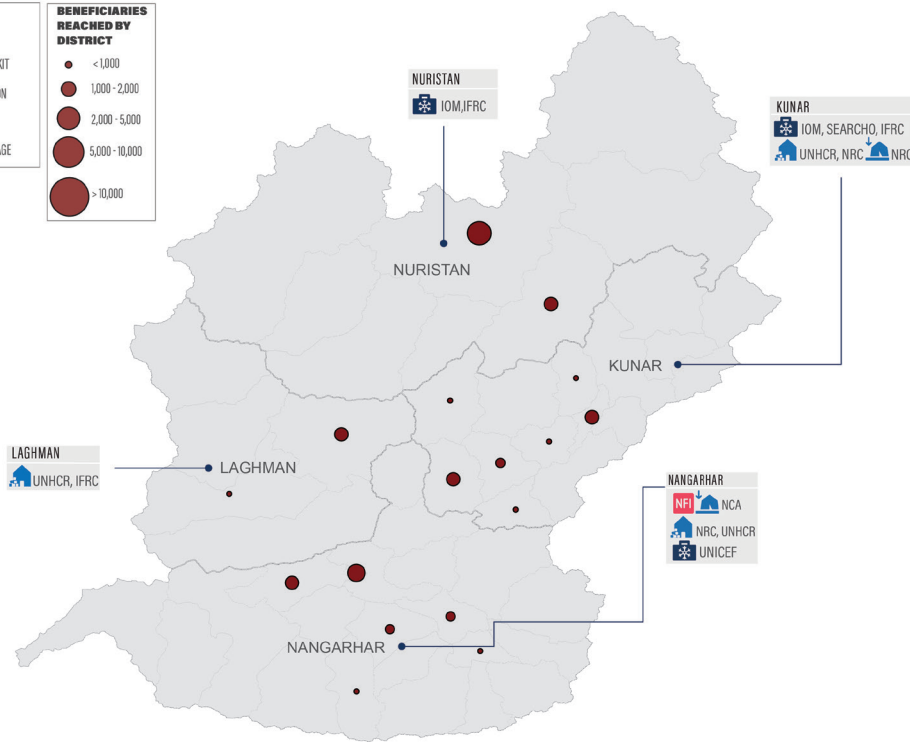
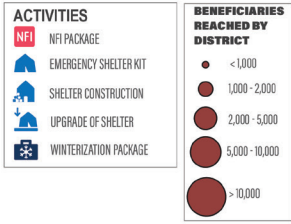
## Needs Analysis

- Bamyan province UNHCR/ Watan Social and Technical Service Association (WSTA) has conducted a joint need assessment for reintegration, permanent shelter, and multipurpose cash assistance (MPCA) in the center and districts of Bamyan Province. The aim is to support 294 households of internally displaced and returnees and the most vulnerable host community under MPCA 298 households (HH), and 144 HH for IDPs and returnees under permanent shelter, Persons with Specific Needs (PSN) 96 HH IDPs the joint need assessment is ongoing.
- Joint need assessment in Kahmard district of Bamyan province identified around 308 households eligible in different categories, internally displaced, natural disaster drought affected households, and most vulnerable host community for MPCA assistance.
- Community World Service Asia (CWSA) has conducted a joint need assessment for MPCA assistance in the Sighan and Kahmard districts of Bamyan province which will cover 1660 households under MPCA
- In Daikundi province UNHCR /WSTA has conducted a joint need assessment for reintegration, permanent shelter, and MPCA in the center and districts of Daikundi Province, it will support 286 households of IDPs and returnees and most vulnerable host communities under MPCA for 260 households and 26 households of Persons with Special Needs IDPs.

## Gaps / Challenges

- The ban on female working by DFA is the major challenge in the region all partners are facing with same challenge.
- Interference of De facto Authority and increment of representatives from different sectors in the assessment and distribution process which has disturbed assistance delivery and caused problems for the partners.
- Late signing of the MOU caused to suspension of the partner's activities.

# Eastern



In 2022 ( HRP & ReportHub data )

**89,491**  
PLANNED REACH

**18,379 (21%)**

BENEFICIARIES REACHED



Number of new individuals reached during the current month

## Needs Analysis

- In Nangarhar Province a joint assessment (IRC, ANDMA) identified 1,428 households affected by natural disaster, returned IDPs, and the most venerable community people in need of winterization assistance.
- A joint assessment (IOM, DRC, SCI, WFP, and ANDMA) identified 105 rainfall/flood-affected families out of 230 assessed families in need of emergency shelter and NFI, food, MPCA, and hygiene assistance. The joint assessment team (DRC, SCI, and ANDMA) identified 55 flash floods and heavy rain affected HHs for the reduced package of multi-purpose cash. The Joint Assessment team (WFP, DRC, and ANDMA) led by SCI, identified 9 affected families out of 41 assessed families in need of humanitarian assistance (NFIs, Emergency shelters, Food & MPCAs)
- In Kunar Province several assessments were conducted for natural disaster needs: A joint assessment team (IOM, WFP, DRC, IRC, ACTED, PU-AMI, and ANDMA) identified 160 flood/rainfall-affected families out of 200 assessed families in need of NFIs and shelter, food, MPCA, and hygiene assistance. The joint assessment team (DRC, SCI, and ANDMA) identified 235 flash floods and heavy rain affected households for the reduced package of multi-purpose cash. Joint Assessment team (WFP, DRC, and ANDMA) led by SCI, identified 6 affected families out of 30 assessed families in need of humanitarian assistance (NFIs, Emergency shelters, Food & MPCAs)
- In Laghman Province: A joint assessment team (IRC, WFP, DACAAR, and ANDMA) identified 49 households of natural disaster-affected families (Flood/domestic fire) out of 99 assessed families in need of NFIs and shelter, food, MPCAs, and hygiene assistance.

## Gaps / Challenges

- Heavy rainfall/flash flood incidents adversely affected local communities in Asadabad city & Watapour districts of Kunar Province. The report indicated that 129 households, 300 acres of agriculture corps, 20 KM routes, 2000 meters long irrigation canal, and 185-meter retaining walls were badly damaged and ruined.
- A huge number of fake reported cases cause time and resource consumption.
- Need additional assistance for the shelter repair/transitional shelters in the eastern region.
- Lack of interest in the humanitarian agencies' assessment & response.
- Obtaining the letter / Maktoob and signing MoU with the relevant departments which delayed and continues to delay the cluster members' implementation process.
- Due to limitations imposed by the current government on women's activities, the assessment teams lack female staff in them which has made it very difficult to identify deserving and most vulnerable women beneficiaries for assistance. Similarly, women's presence in the distribution is also a felt need.

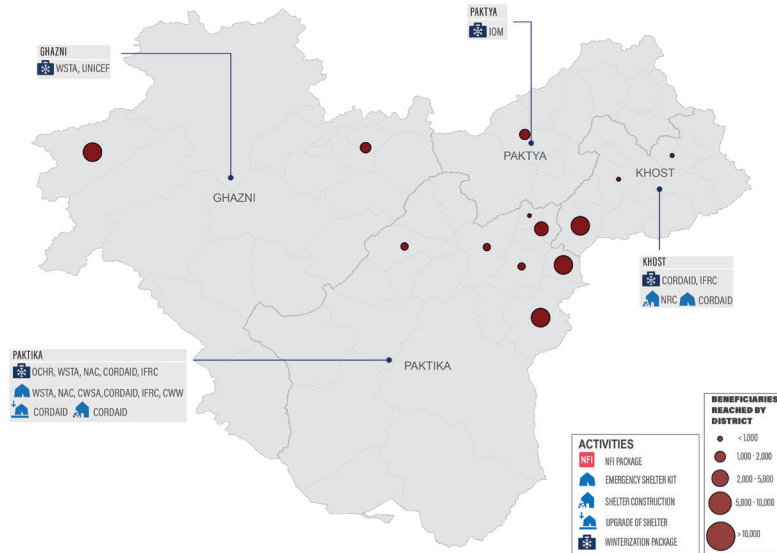
# Southeastern



In 2022 ( HRP & ReportHub data )

**131,311**  
PLANNED REACH

**33,283 (25%)**  
BENEFICIARIES  
REACHED



Number of new individuals reached during the current month

## Needs Analysis

- Joint mission with OCHA, ESNFI cluster, IOM and UNHCR to Giyan community in Paktika to arrange focus group discussion to understand female needs in shelter design. The gap in the community of Giyan remains for at least 1,000 transitional shelters.
- As of end of July, there are still remains of 7,138 households in needs of shelter repair and 7,003 transitional shelters in earthquake affected area in Southeastern region.

## Gaps / Challenges

- Access to female beneficiaries remains a challenge.

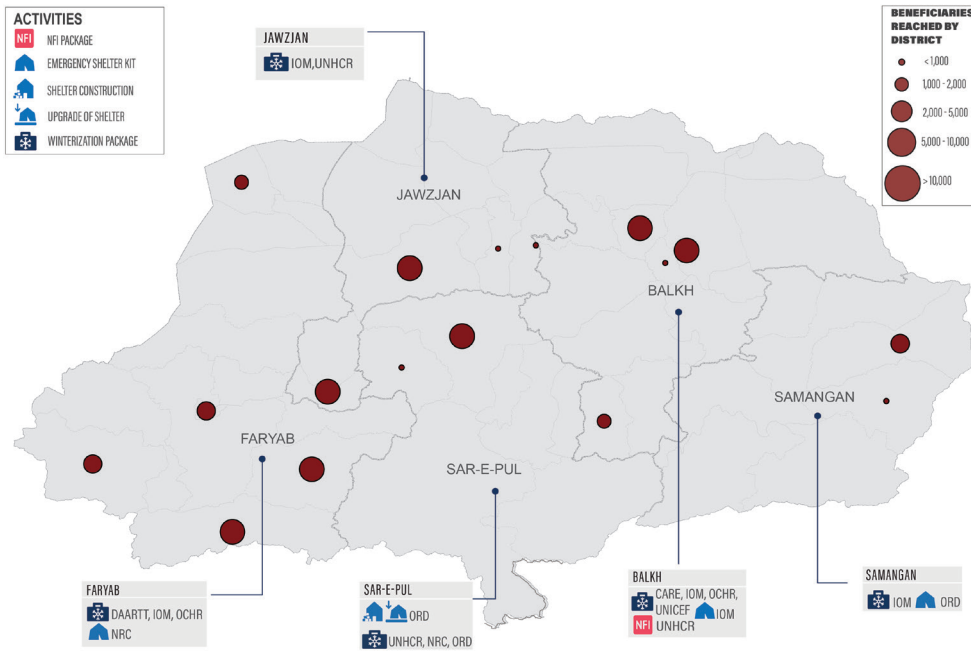
# Northern



In 2022 ( HRP & ReportHub data )

**292,037**  
PLANNED REACH

**69,609 (24%)**  
BENEFICIARIES REACHED



Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
-	-	1,558	-	1,878

Number of new individuals reached during the current month

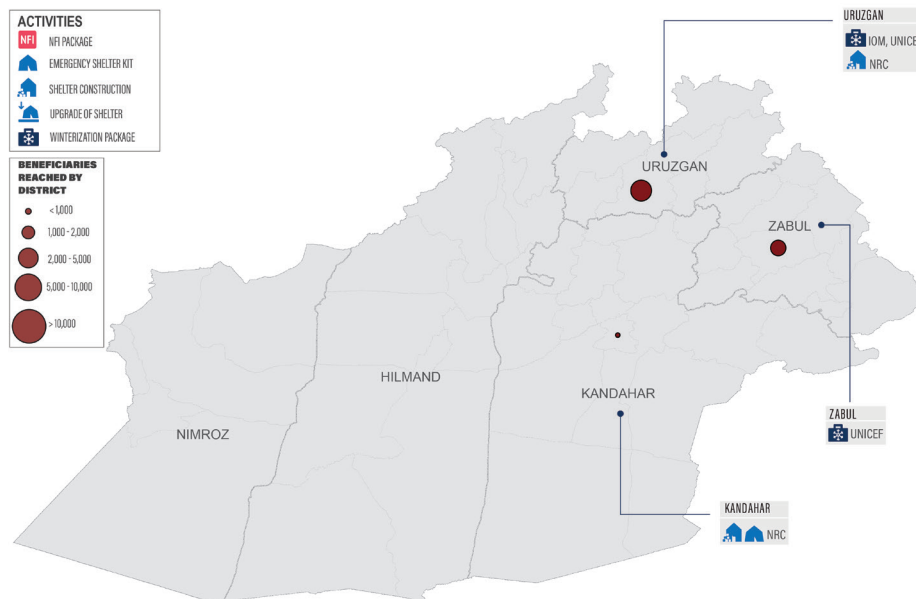
## Needs Analysis

- IOM is conducting assessment of natural, and conflict affected families in need of transitional shelter, shelter major repair and shelter minor repair in Faizabad district of Jawzjan provinces, the same will take place in Sheberghan and Aqcha. 583 families have been selected (65 Transitional shelter, 191 Major repair and 327 Minor repair) in Faizabad district.
- IOM jointly with other partners conducted an assessment for riverbank erosion affected families in Shortepa district of Balkh province on 9th July 23.

## Gaps / Challenges

- The ban on female staff has still its bad effects for the humanitarian partners. it prevents reaching to female beneficiaries.

# Southern



In 2022 ( HRP & ReportHub data )

**199,502**  
PLANNED REACH

**3,658 (1.8%)**

BENEFICIARIES  
REACHED

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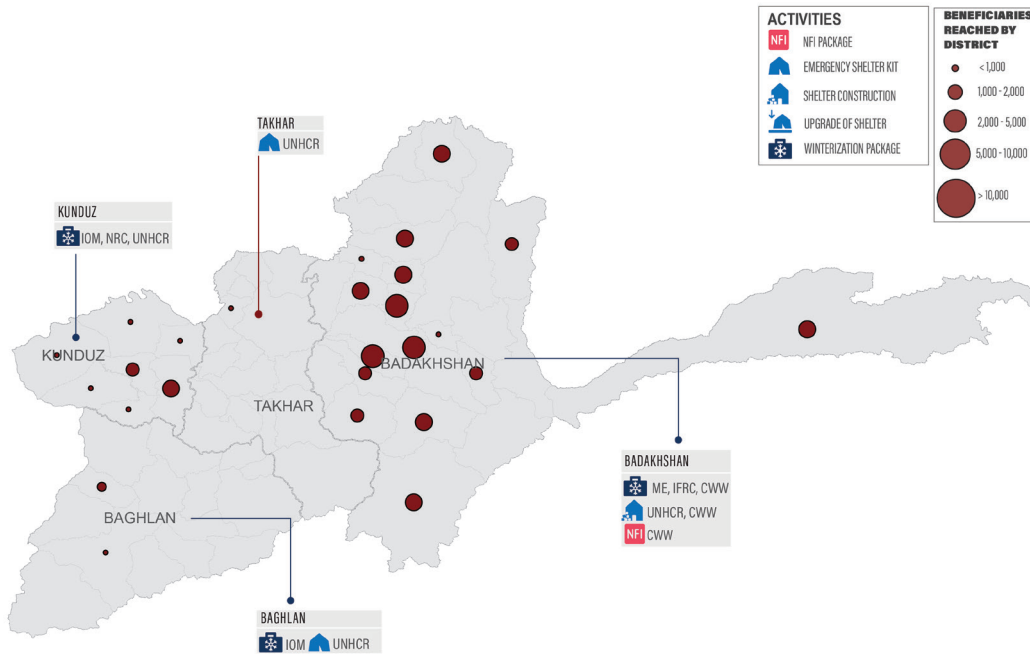
## Needs Analysis

- Joint assessment was conducted in the Nimroz and Hilmand provinces in relation to drought. 217 assistance was delivered to affected households, while the remaining assessment is continuing for the rest that are impacted.
- NRC has received new funding for shelter interventions in Urozgan for shelter upgrades in Gizab, Tarinkot, and Khas Urozgan districts targeting 142 households.
- DRC has plans for transitional and shelter upgrades in Zabul and Kandahar provinces and it is expected to start in August.

## Gaps / Challenges

- The provision of shelter assistance to women remains limited mainly due to a lack of land ownership rights.
- Delay in alert and response to natural disasters requires capacity building of the Afghanistan National Disaster Management Authority (ANDMA) to have strong relations with the district authorities for quick dissemination of disaster alert messages to the populations at risk.

# Northeastern



In 2022 ( HRP & ReportHub data )  
**149,334**  
PLANNED REACH  
**42,172 (28%)**  
BENEFICIARIES  
REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
-	343	302	63	777

Number of new individuals reached during the current month

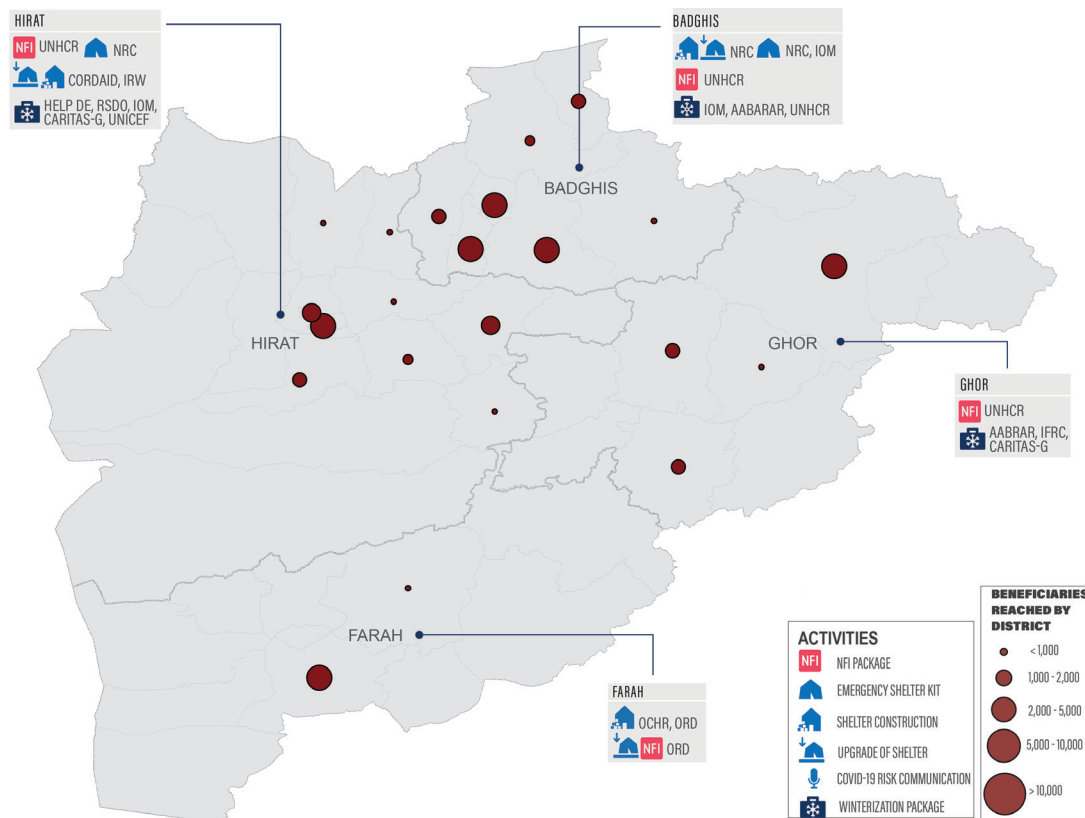
## Needs Analysis

- Joint assessment team (JATs consist of ANDMA, AKAH, IOM) plans to assess the flood-affected families in the Jurm district of Badakhshan province.
- NRC has assessed 160 beneficiaries for shelter upgrading (major repair for 20 families and minor repair for 140 families), The minor repair category will receive 350 USD/family, and major repair will receive 720 USD/family. So far, 65 families have been selected by the NRC Field team, and major shelter repairs will receive additional solar kits.
- IOM in Kunduz has assessed 23 flood-affected families in Imam Saheb district of Kunduz and identified their need for tents and NFIs but ARCS of Kunduz.

## Gaps / Challenges

- Female staff cannot participate in the Joint Assessment Teams (JATs) due to the current ban on female humanitarian workers.
- Lack of funds to cover shelter needs in Khoja Bahaudin district evicted families.
- 300 families in Farkhar Gujur need permanent shelters and shelter repair major and shelter minor.

## Western



n 2022 ( HRP & ReportHub data )

**184,669**  
PLANNED REACH

**103,892 (56%)**

BENEFICIARIES  
REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
-	-	347	-	1,171

*Number of new individuals reached during the current month*

### Needs Analysis

- ARAA/UNHCR Partner has conducted RHAF/MRZ assessment with 81 IDP, Returnee, and Host families in Injil and Guzara districts of Herat province, IOM HAP shelter section had managed to assess and select 1286 households out of designated target under 3 categories in Balabuluk district of Farah province, as the selection goes for provision of cash for shelter, and assessment in ongoing for rest till completion.
- IOM HUB assessed 3,000 households and selection of beneficiaries concluded in Badghis province (Qadis, Muqor and Balamurghab districts) and will commence the cash distribution for shelter (major & minor repairs and transitional shelters).

### Gaps / Challenges

- DfA insists UN agencies which are direct implementor to sign MoUs with relevant ministries.
- Ban of female working by DfA is a major challenge regarding the implementation of activities and service delivery especially in the assessment and distribution stages of the assistance to the beneficiaries in all western region provinces.
- During July-2023 OCHA had meeting with Ghor Governor and relevant departments to resume the humanitarian interventions in the province. Therefore, Ghor governor committed that no interference will be happen by line departments to humanitarian organizations/agencies hereinafter. As such, humanitarian activities are resumed for one month and a monitoring mechanism is placed, and partners should report any challenges directly to OCHA.