



The family recently moved into their new home in Badakhshan . Photo taken by OXYGEN / UNHCR , March 2023

Regional Monthly Update

01 - 31 March 2023

KEY HIGHLIGHTS AND CHALLENGES



Since the beginning of year, ESNFI clusters partners have reached **242,845 (18%)** individuals with multiple Emergency shelters (ES) and NFI assistance (Transitional shelter, Shelter repair or upgrade, winterization, standard ES and NFI assistance).

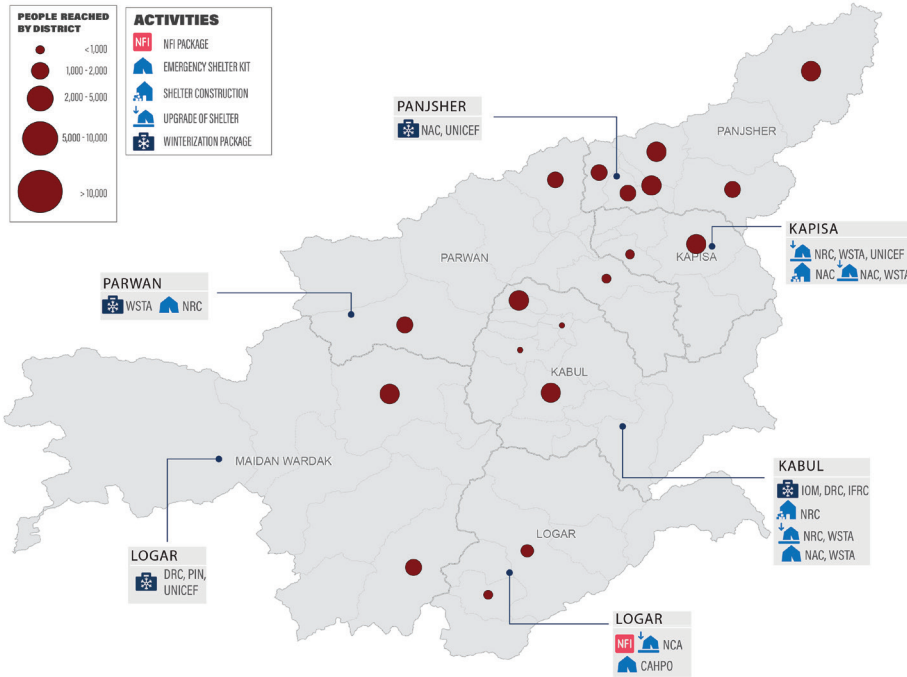


Heavy rainfall incidents have affected 177 families in several provinces of Afghanistan : Laghman , Khost , Kabul Herat , Balkh , Kunduz , Samangan and Zabul .



During the reporting period, on 21 March 2023, a magnitude 6.5 earthquake struck Badakhshan Province, Afghanistan that shocked whole part of the Eastern Region including Kunar, Nangarhar and Laghman province with 259 found to be affected.

Capital



253,323
PLANNED REACH
48,270 (19%)
BENEFICIARIES
REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
12,784	-	3,375	1,332	1,417
<i>Number of individuals reached during the current month</i>				

Needs Analysis

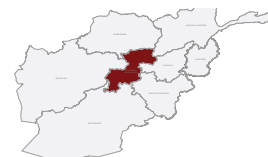
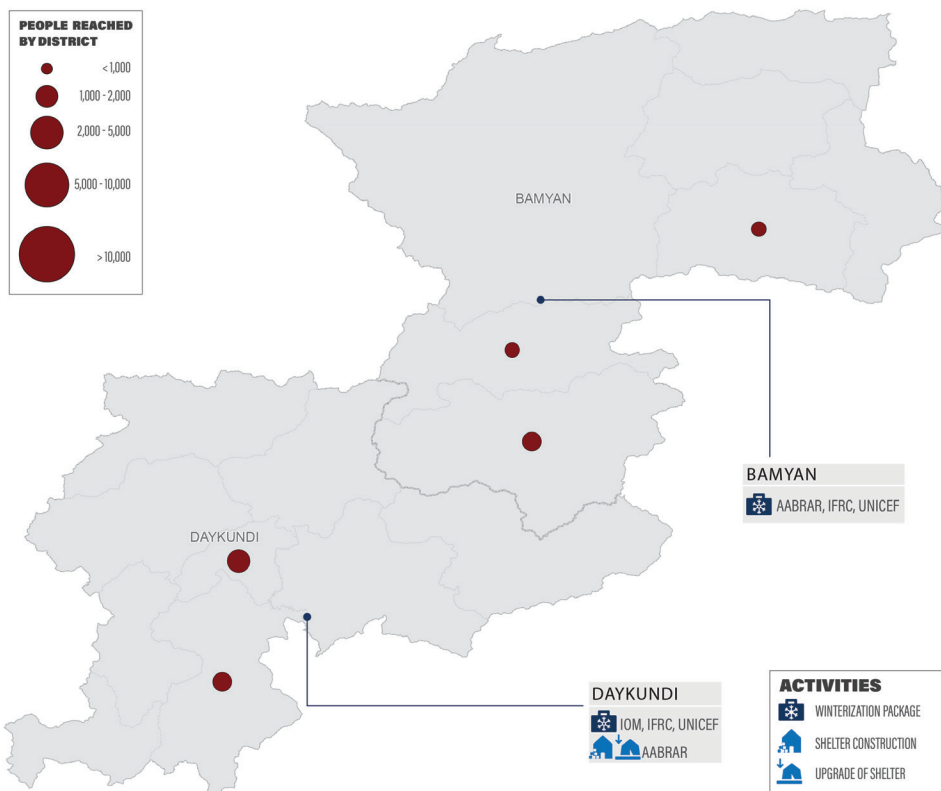
Following are the agencies with their plans for Winter Assistance and Shelter Program:

- In accordance with winter planning assistance, International Rescue Committee (IRC) had conducted households needs analysis for winterization response and determined 2,000 eligible families for in-kind package in Paghman, and Kalakan districts in Kabul and 368 beneficiaries found eligible for cash winterization package also in Kabul while in Logar 429 out of 500 beneficiaries met the criteria.
- In Mohammad Agha district of Logar province an assessment has been completed for in-kind winterization kits, 1,500 beneficiaries have met the criteria for assistance and will be provided with support next month.
- Norwegian Afghanistan Committee (NAC) team distributed the first installment of 70% cash for shelters for two types of shelter 143 major repair, while 525 minor.
- In close coordination with local authorities Afghanistan National Disaster Management Authority (ANDMA), and community representative for PD 21 Kabul 668 vulnerable households shelter repairs were completed by community volunteers in Kabul PD 21. meanwhile awareness raising sessions were conducted on 'Disaster Risk Reduction', safety, and other shelter related issues.
- In March NAC team has conducted an assessment for shelter response in Kapisa province, the findings are as follows: Nijrab, Dasht-e-Pachaghan: 33 HHs for T-shelter, 27 HHs for major repair and 7 HHs for minor repair. Dara-e-Afghania, Dara-e-Ghain and Dara-e-Pachaghan: 341 HHs T-Shelters, 77 HHs major repair and 44 HHs for minor repair
- Community Action for Healing Poverty Organization (CAHPO) has been implementing transitional shelter construction, repair, and upgrade of 217 households in Logar. It has completed a plan of second and third round in-kind distribution for construction in Charkh district of Logar province. 156 households received one room transitional shelter item (Type A), 43 households received major repairing items (Type B) and 18 households received minor repairing Items (Type C). The team work closely with community to find volunteers to help vulnerable families like widows, children under-age and elder people to build their shelters and provide 50 ramps to households with disabled persons . In addition to the distribution, the shelter team gave brief information to all beneficiaries on proper usage of the items and trainings materials were prepared in local languages.

Gaps / Challenges

- Female staff are not part of assessment team, and it takes more time to identify a female beneficiary and there is a need for a male member of the family or community elders to be present with assessment team.
- Local authorities and community elders try to influence identification and selection process.
- Comparatively low functioning market for wood works causes delays in ensuring timbers/wood availability to upgrade shelters in central region.
- Households with more than one family in a compound creates selection issues for the assessment team.
- In Kapisa province 97 families in need of shelter and NFI have not received their assistance pending clearance from DfA NGO commission.

Central Highland



In 2022 (HRP & ReportHub data)

28,285
PLANNED REACH

11,804 (42%)

BENEFICIARIES
REACHED

Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
-	-	630	-	4,413

Number of individuals reached during the current month

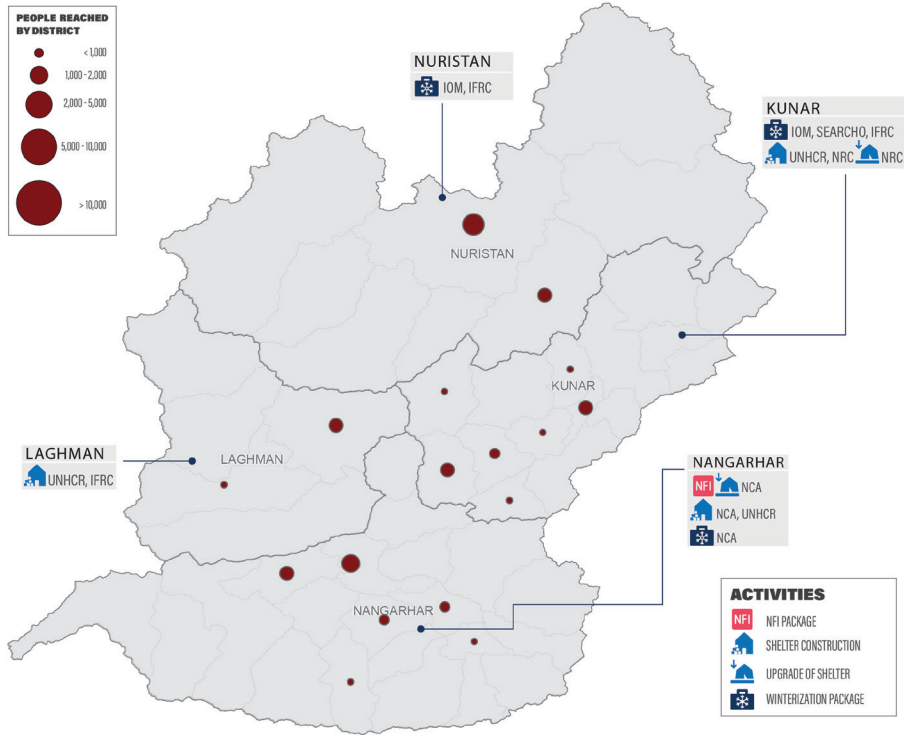
Needs Analysis

- UNHCR / and Watan`s Social & Technical Services Association (WSTA) has ongoing joint need assessment for reintegration, shelter, and MPCA in center and districts of Bamyan Province, the aim is to support 569 households under reintegration program, 170 households under multi-purpose cash assistance (MPCA) and 100 households under permanent shelter.
- IRW has completed winterization joint assessment in Panjab and Yakawlang districts of Bamyan province which identified 60 households eligible internally displaced persons (IDPs) for winterization assistance, each family will receive winterization standard package.
- CORDIAD has conducted joint need assessment for 1,639 households under winterization assistance in Ashtrlay, Sang-e-Takht Khadir, Miramor districts of Daykundi province, out of the assessed houses 1,139 households are found to be the most vulnerable IDPs and host community affected families. The assessment is still on-going.
- Afghanistan Rehabilitation and Women Education Organization (ARWEO) has conducted rapid need assessment to provide evidence-based overview of the current humanitarian situation and to identify the shelter/NFI needs.

Gaps / Challenges

- Lack of female workers participation in the field activities, especially in the Daykundi province.
- Female staff are not reporting to the office, and they are facing restrictions on field (Mahram issue, hijab, and separate vehicles to the field).
- Request for Memo of understanding (MoU) concerning short-term emergency projects is causing delays in the implementation of projects, especially for short term projects

Eastern



In 2022 (HRP & ReportHub data)

89,492
PLANNED REACH

18,379 (21%)

BENEFICIARIES
REACHED



Number of individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- Earthquake in eastern province has shocked, a joint assessment teams consist of International Organization of Migration (IOM), IMC, World Food Programme (WFP), Danish Committee for Aid to Afghan Refugees (DACAAR), International Rescue Committee (IRC), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Save the Children (SCI) and ANDMA were deployed to assess the affected areas and needs. The assessment results confirmed 259 families were affected by the shock. Out of all affected families, 178 were in Laghman, 52 in Nangarhar and 27 were in Kunar province.
- On-going inter-agency assessment team led by IOM, IRC, SCI consist of WFP, IMC, DACAR, Directorates of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), DRC and ANDMA completed the assessment of 481 families (251 Laghman, 52 Nangarhar, 178 Kunar) and selected a total of 154 families (57 Laghman, 42 Nangarhar, 55 Kunar to date.
- The team also assessed the impact of the heavy rainfall locations of affected families, a total of 177 families (32 Kunar , 83 Laghman, 62 Nangarhar province), a total of 27 families (Kunar 05, 13 Laghman and 09 Nangarhar) have been recommended for NFIs and food assistance.
- During the reporting period, DRC handed overall 80 transitional shelters units for last year's earthquake affected families in Noorgal district.
- IRC provided winter kits for 1,999 families in Khogyani district, Rodat district, Hesark, Sherzad, Behsud, Pachir Agam and Surkh Raod district districts of Nangarhar province. The assistance has been provided to the affected/vulnerable families of earthquake flood and others.
- UNHCR through its partner Women for Afghan Women (WAW) provided response last installment of Cash for permanent shelters (660\$ to every family) for a total of 276 families (139 Kunar and 137 Laghman)

Gaps / Challenges

- Assessing households in Eastern region in scattered areas is a challenge due to fact to travel time between locations and teams needs to spend time to find them.
- Lack of female participants in assessment that can impact the quality of assessment and distribution mainly to the female household.
- Rural Rehabilitation Association for Afghanistan (RRAA) indicated that money transfer is still challenge, RRAA said that transfer money to the project site for beneficiary was done though money service Provide (MSP).

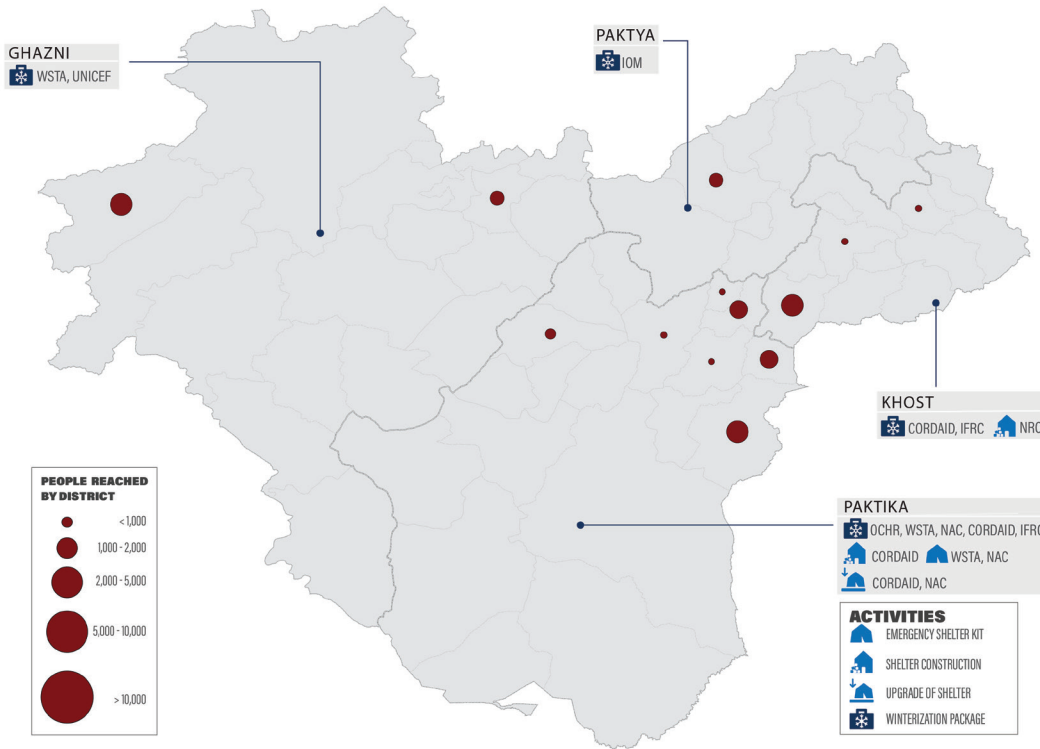
Southeastern



In 2022 (HRP & ReportHub data)

131,131
PLANNED REACH

22,802 (17%)
BENEFICIARIES
REACHED



Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
809	-	878	-	-

Number of individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- IRC assessed and identified 1,100 IDP returnees and host community families in Paktya for in-kind winterization support in 7 districts of Paktya; Dand wa Patan 150 families, Laja Mangal 150, Ahmad Khail 150, Mirzaka 100, Said Karam 200, and Zurmat 350. -
- A joint assessment team in Khost consisting of IOM, WFP and ANDMA assessed flash flood and heavy rainfall affected families and verified 17 families which were severely damaged and recommended for emergency shelter and non-food items.

Gaps / Challenges

- The announcement of female staff ban continues to delay partners activity.
- Continuous rainfall has been affecting shelter activities in earthquake affected districts and delaying assistance.

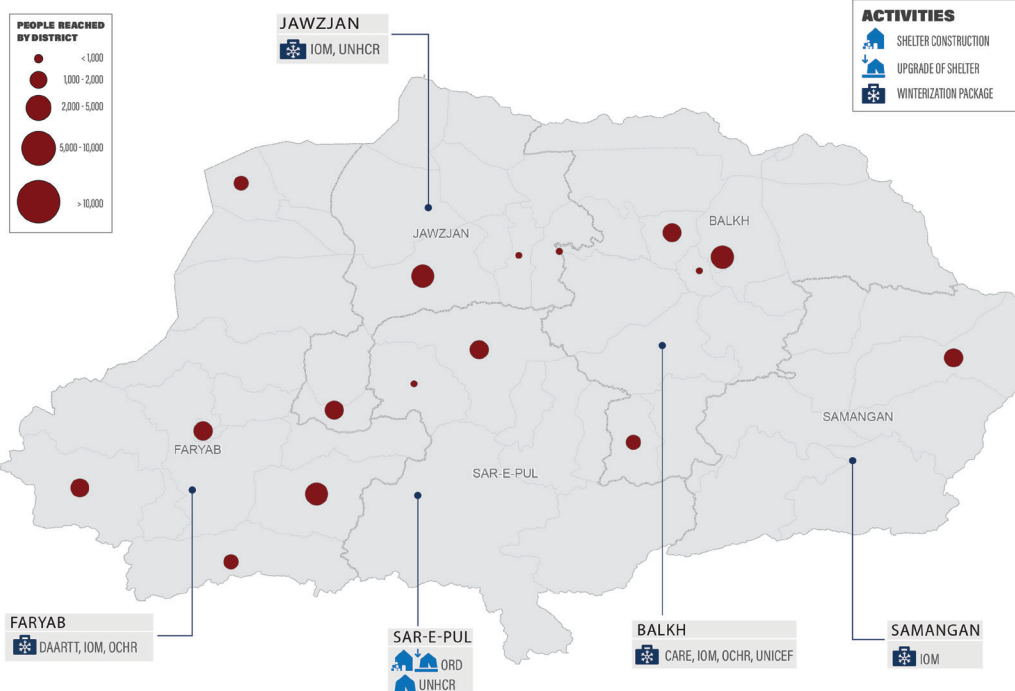
Northern



In 2022 (HRP & ReportHub data)

292,038
PLANNED REACH

48,130 (16%)
BENEFICIARIES
REACHED



Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
-	-	2,557	-	8,826

Number of individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- On 25 March 2022 an assessment was conducted in Zari district for flood affected families, the joint assessment team assessed 162 flood affected families and identified 37 families needed humanitarian assistance. IOM to provide NFI and shelter kits

Gaps / Challenges

- Shelter assistance gap in Faryab province, and the female ban is a big challenge as some partners stopped or partially stopped their operation.
- 210 snow-affected households were identified in Kohistan district of Faryab province received humanitarian assistance but there is still gap for shelter assistance.

Southern

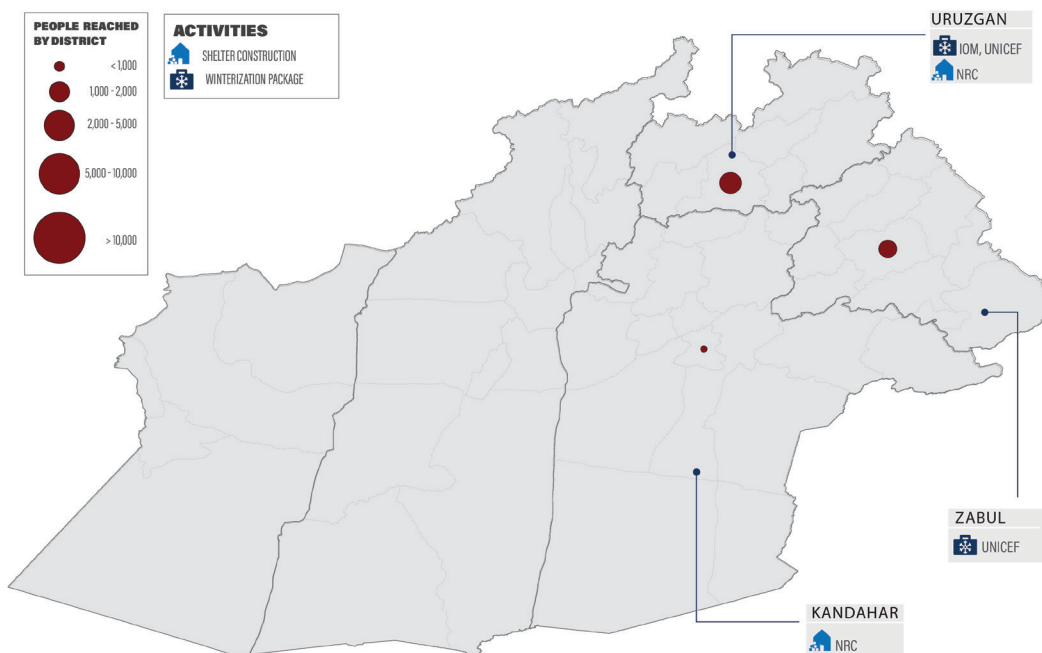


In 2022 (HRP & ReportHub data)

199,501
PLANNED REACH

3,204 (2%)

BENEFICIARIES
REACHED



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

Number of individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- Joint Assessments was conducted by IOM, UNHCR, UNICEF, DRC, and Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), in Zabul and Nimroz provinces as a result total of 56 flood affected families were verified for emergency assistance.
- NRC, jointly with Care International, conducted technical assessment for shelter upgrade and transitional shelter in Dand district of Kandahar province and verified 492 households. Meanwhile, NRC has conducted technical assessment for shelter upgrade and transitional shelter in Tirinkot city and Chora district of Urozgan province.

Gaps / Challenges

- The provision of shelter assistance to women remains limited mainly due to a lack of land ownership rights.
- UNICEF reported that female staff participation is restricted by DFA authorities in the joint needs assessments.

Northeastern



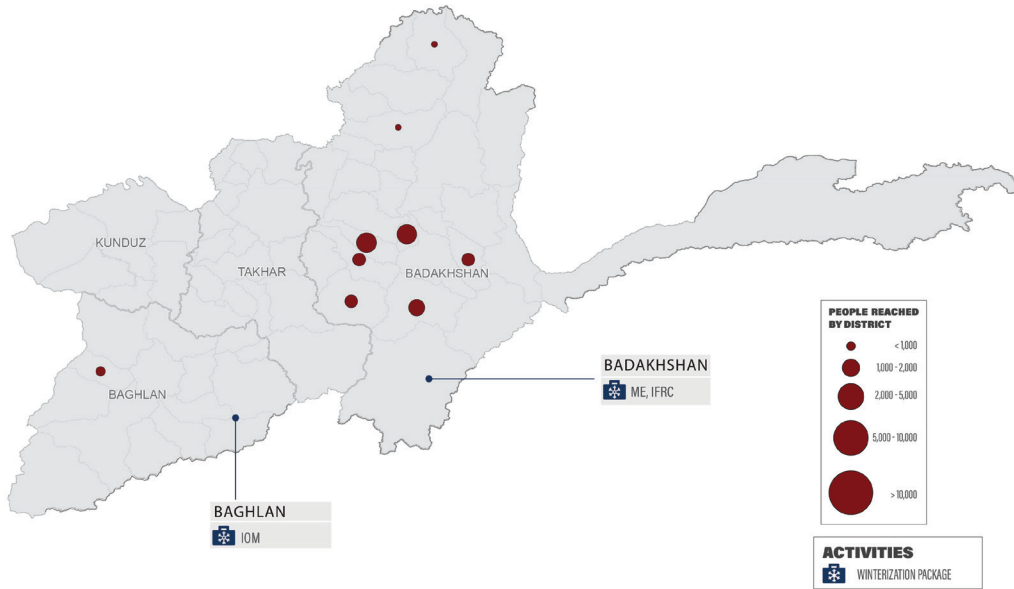
In 2022 (HRP & ReportHub data)

149,335

PLANNED REACH

15,148 (10%)

BENEFICIARIES
REACHED



Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
9,520	-	-	-	-

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Number of individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- Joint assessment team including IOM, DACAAR and ANDMA assessed 22 floods affected, and 13 earthquake affected families in need of humanitarian assistance in Kunduz province.
- ACTED conducted a need assessment survey for shelter repair/upgrade activities in Kunduz, Takhar and Baghlan provinces, based on the need assessment, its planned to have 300 shelter repair/upgrade in all three provinces (100 per each province).
- Joint assessment in Takhar Province including IOM, DACAAR, Concern WW, Agha Khan (AKAH) and ANDMA assessed 112 earthquake affected in need of humanitarian assistance.

Gaps / Challenges

- Banning female staff from working in national and international organization by the de facto authority has resulted in difficulty to verify the female beneficiaries during the assessment and distribution and delay in implementation.

Western

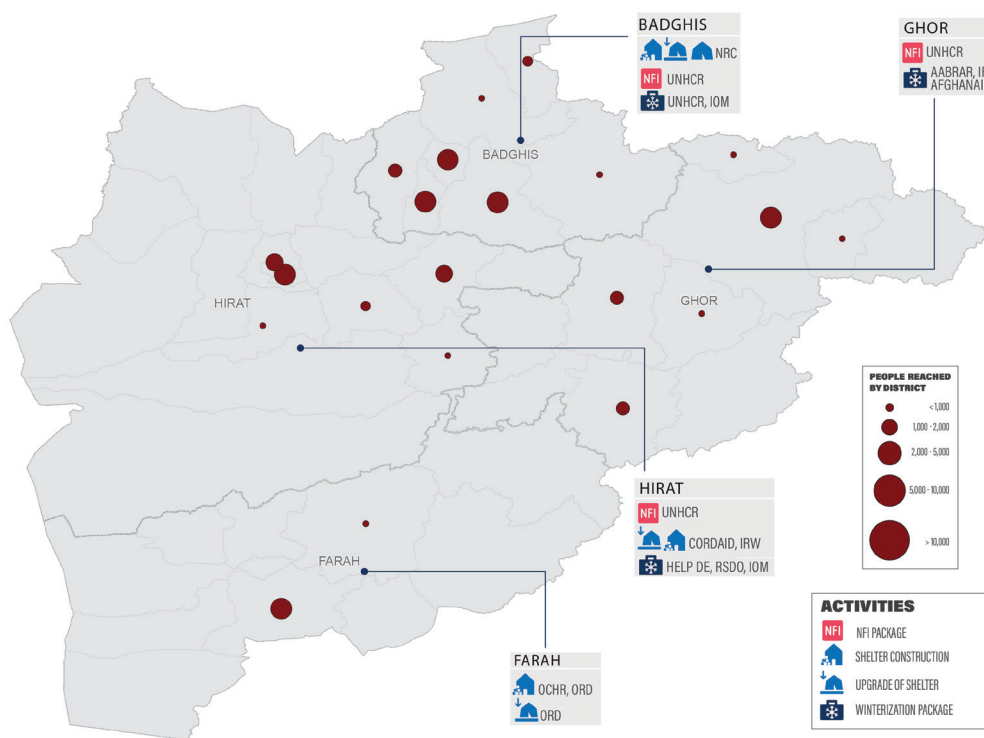


In 2022 (HRP & ReportHub data)

184,669
PLANNED REACH

72,852 (39%)

BENEFICIARIES
REACHED



Winterization	Non-Food Items	Transitional Shelter	Emergency Shelter Assistance	Upgrade and shelter repair
6,363	25,468	33	-	-

Number of individuals reached during the current month

Needs Analysis

- Due to the recent flood accrued in Herat city and Obe district of Herat province, a need assessment team comprised of different agencies Identified 29 families in need of humanitarian assistance.
- Help Germany conduct verification of the caseloads of Herat and Badghis provinces that was officially referred by OCHA and the ES/ NFI Cluster and Identifies 1,862 IDP families in Obe district and Herat city and 862 eligible IDP families in Moqur and Qale Now districts of Badghis province for provision of Winterization assistance.
- UNHCR through its partner Agency for Humanitarian and Development Assistance for Afghanistan (AHDA) conducted RHAFA assessment of 64 families in Injil, Guzara and PDs of Herat province and assessed 15 families in Qale Now district of Badghis province for provision of Permanent shelter assistance.

Gaps / Challenges

- Ban of female working by DFA is the major challenge regarding the implementation of activities and service delivery especially in assessment and distribution of the assistance to the beneficiaries in all western region provinces.
- The DFA interference demanding beneficiary lists caused delay in distribution of the cluster partners in Herat.
- The distribution team of one of the Cluster ES/NFI partners in Qormach district was detained by the Qormach district governor of Badghis province due to not sharing the list of beneficiaries,