



Figure 1- One of the abandoned houses in Pisky @Andrea Parisi

KEY DATES

Since the beginning of the year, seven subnational cluster meetings have been held, three in Sloviansk and Severodonetsk and, in March, also one in Mariinka, covering the southern Donbas areas. In the occasion of the Mariinka co-ordination meeting, Cluster representatives have participated also in a field trip organised by UNHCR Mariupol to frontline locations in the Yasinovatskii and Volnovahskii raions

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Shelter Cluster Annual Report 2017 [ENG](#)

Recommendations on Winterization 2017-2018 [ENG](#) [RUS](#)

Guidance on structural repairs and reconstruction [ENG](#) [UKR](#)

Technical Essay on Housing Situation in Ukraine [ENG](#)

[Cash assistance post-distribution monitoring report \(2015\)](#)

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CLUSTER TRANSITION - Since January 2018, the Shelter/NFI Cluster has resumed its activities with a different structure, following the recommendations by the Strategic Advisory Group that adjusts the co-ordination mechanism to the passage from a humanitarian set-up to a protracted conflict, where - although frequent flare-ups still require humanitarian response - the focus will be on the transition to a longer-term recovery approach.

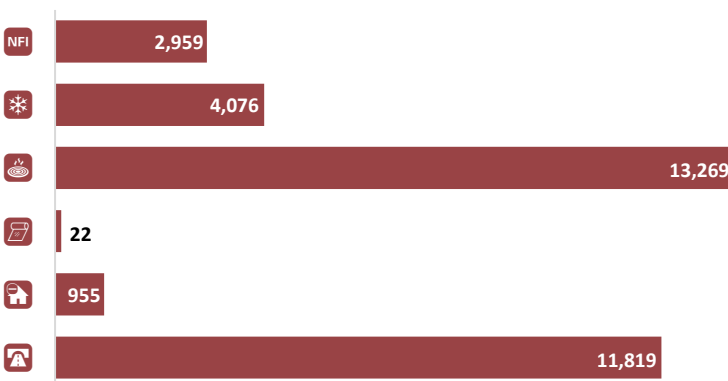
Consistently with the Transitional Plan drafted in 2016, the Shelter/NFI sector's co-ordination will move from a Cluster-based mechanism to a lighter form of co-ordination to, eventually, a complete hand-over of the co-ordination functions to the designated governmental body.

In the new format, and in preparation of the complete hand-over, the Cluster will reduce some functions and the frequency of the national-level co-ordination meetings (from monthly to quarterly) while it will at the same time assure the focus on the subnational level, maintaining the field meetings on a monthly basis.

FRONTLINE VILLAGES - In March, the Cluster has participated in a field trip to frontline locations in the Yasinovatskii and Volnovahskii raions. The purpose of the visit was to cross-check actual damages against available reports and quantitative data, and to assess whether substantial shelter assistance (other than emergency kits) can now be provided. Some of those locations used to be fully considered as "no-go-zones" for humanitarian agencies, because of the security situation; today, the analysis of the damages in frontline villages allow to identify parts of these locations (entire neighbourhoods, streets) that can be considered as sufficiently safe and eligible for longer-term repairs.

As part of this round of field visits, the Cluster had the chance to enter in Pisky, where almost all the 440 houses have been damaged by the conflict. Some of the inhabitants are today displaced in Pervomaiske. The Cluster met with representatives of the displaced community: despite the security situation, the accessibility problems and the lack of services, the representatives expressed a strong determination to go back to their houses, requesting humanitarian agencies just support for the repair of their houses. Given the current security situation, though, the Shelter Cluster deems as still premature any non-emergency interventions in locations like Pisky.

Activity progress (January – March 2018)



- NFI; - cash assistance for winterization; - solid fuel; - acute emergency repairs; - light repairs & medium repairs; - Communal infrastructure basic repairs;

Jan-Mar at a glance

NFI

2,959 HHs
received NFIs

600,000
Total people
in need



11,819 HHs
received
communal
infrastructure basic
repairs

200,000
Cluster target
population



955 HHs
received light and
medium repairs

23
Cluster
partners

Source: HRP Ukraine 2018, 3W reports from partners. Cumulated figures for 2018
Note: number of Cluster partners is calculated quarterly based on 3W reports which indicates number of humanitarian actors reporting to Cluster and operating in Ukraine in a particular quarter