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# UK AID SYRIA RESPONSE

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***As conflict continues in Syria, millions of people are in desperate need of assistance. The UK has committed £600 million to provide humanitarian support including food, medical care and relief items for over a million people in Syria and the region.***

## KEY FACTS



**10.8 million** people are in need of humanitarian assistance inside Syria (UNSC 21.08.14), **of which:**



**6.5 million** people are Internally Displaced Persons inside Syria. (UNHCR 29.08.14)



In addition, **3 million** Syrians are refugees in neighbouring countries. (UNHCR 29.08.14)

**£600 million** has been committed by UK government to provide humanitarian support in response to the conflict, **of which:**

**Syria - £299 million** has been allocated to partners providing humanitarian assistance inside Syria delivered from Damascus and cross border. This includes:

**Cross Border - £124 million** allocated for delivering aid across Syria's borders without the consent of the Syrian regime

**Region - £301 million** for Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, Iraq and Egypt, including £4.8m for technical assistance to the response.

**The table below shows key results delivered through DFID support from the beginning of our response until the end of 2013<sup>1</sup>**

| Activity                                                                                                |  | Total     | Syria     | Neighbouring countries |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|-----------|-----------|------------------------|
| <b>Food:</b> Number of monthly rations provided in 2013 <sup>2</sup>                                    |  | 5,200,000 | 3,900,000 | 1,300,000              |
| <b>Water:</b> Number of people with access to clean water sources (peak month) <sup>3</sup>             |  | 1,500,000 | 1,460,000 | 57,000                 |
| <b>Sanitation and hygiene:</b> Number of people that benefit from sanitation and Hygiene activities     |  | 242,000   | 189,000   | 53,000                 |
| <b>Health:</b> Number of medical consultations for emergency trauma and primary healthcare cases        |  | 623,000   | 482,000   | 141,000                |
| <b>Shelter and relief:</b> Number of people supported through shelter interventions                     |  | 17,700    | 3,000     | 14,700                 |
| <b>Shelter and relief:</b> Number of individuals benefiting from the distribution of relief packages    |  | 606,000   | 434,000   | 172,000                |
| <b>Agriculture/Livelihoods:</b> Number of people supported through agriculture/livelihood interventions |  | 20,500    | 20,350    | 150                    |
| <b>Protection:</b> Number of children supported by psycho-social interventions                          |  | 87,700    | 57,100    | 30,600                 |
| <b>Protection:</b> Number of adults supported by psycho-social interventions                            |  | 24,000    | 18,000    | 6,000                  |
| <b>Protection:</b> Number of sexual and gender based violence survivors supported                       |  | 3,400     | 2,000     | 1,400                  |
| <b>Education:</b> Number of children supported in formal and informal education                         |  | 5,200     | 4,100     | 1,100                  |

<sup>1</sup> The vast majority of reported results included are from the beginning of our response until the end of 2013. However, due to differing reporting cycles, a few results from early 2014 may also have been included. Results are cumulative except for water which is measured as the peak month: this is the highest number of people provided with water since the beginning of 2012 in a given month.

<sup>2</sup> A monthly food ration provides food for one person for one month.

<sup>3</sup> The water results for Syria and neighbouring countries cannot be added together because the peak month is different for each context. The cumulative peak month is the month in which the combined number of people assisted was highest.



## SUPPORT INSIDE SYRIA

The UK has allocated **£299 million** to help people affected by the conflict in Syria, including in opposition held and contested areas. **£124 million** of this has been allocated to partners delivering aid across international borders (cross-border aid). Up to 50% of all UK assistance inside Syria this year will be delivered as cross border aid, targeted towards the 2.9 million people in hard to reach areas which the UN estimate could be reached across borders.



### Food

Through the World Food Programme (WFP) and others, UK aid has provided monthly food packages to those in need inside Syria. WFP provided food in all 14 Syrian governorates for the bulk of the year. The critical security situation meant that many communities within some governorates were inaccessible for periods of longer than a month.

### Water, sanitation and hygiene



UK funding has delivered water purification supplies and repairs to water infrastructure through the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) and other organisations. UNICEF is repairing water systems, trucking water and providing chemicals to major municipal treatment plants to provide clean drinking water to Syrian families.

### Health



Through the World Health Organisation (WHO) and others, UK aid is providing vulnerable Syrians with a range of health services, including primary and trauma care, delivering essential supplies and strengthening health systems to respond to outbreaks of diseases such as polio and leishmaniasis.

### Shelter and relief items



Through our cross border partner Mercy Corps as well as UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) and others the UK has funded the supply of relief items, including cooking sets, blankets and mattresses, to those affected by the violence. The UK has also funded improvements to shelter rehabilitation for displaced individuals.

### Agriculture/Livelihoods



Through the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and other partners, the UK has supported agricultural production, providing inputs such as vegetable seeds and training on good agricultural practices in vegetables and backyard poultry, nutrition, food processing/preservation and marketing.



WFP food distribution beneficiaries Source: WFP



### Protection

UK support to UNICEF and other partners has delivered a range of psychosocial interventions including child friendly spaces. Child friendly spaces provide a safe place for children to go back to their routines - playing, studying and expressing their feelings.

Psychosocial support has also been provided to adults to help deal with trauma caused as a result of the conflict.



### Education

The UK is funding programmes in Syria to provide children with access to basic education such as self-learning programmes and education activities including summer camps, remedial classes and lessons for students with learning difficulties.



### Coordination

UK funding has helped the UN strengthen security and humanitarian coordination mechanisms inside Syria through OCHA and UNDSS. In addition, UK aid to WFP has enabled the organisation to enhance its food storage facilities and security management procedures.

"Where aid is getting through to hundreds of thousands of people, it can be the difference between life and death. The UK has led the way in responding to this crisis so far and we will continue to stand alongside the Syrian people in their time of need"

- Justine Greening,

UK International Development Secretary



## SUPPORT IN NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES

The UK has allocated **£301 million** to help Syrian refugees and host communities in the region.

### Food



UK assistance through WFP has provided food to refugees in Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey and Iraq.

### Water, sanitation and hygiene



Through UNICEF and other organisations, the UK has provided safe drinking water and sanitation services (toilets) in camps and in communities hosting Syrian refugees, as well as personal hygiene kits with items such as soap.

### Health



The UK has provided significant medical care to Syrian refugees and to vulnerable host communities in Jordan and Lebanon through UNICEF, WHO and others. Support includes trauma and primary healthcare through static and mobile clinics and prevention of communicable diseases.

### Shelter and relief items



Across the region, UK funding has helped to deliver a range of shelter and essential relief items to Syrian refugees and to communities hosting Syrians displaced by the violence.

Through UNHCR and other agencies relief items including clothing and blankets have been provided. Partners have undertaken a variety of actions to improve shelter conditions, providing shelter kits including tents, timber and plastic sheeting; rehabilitating existing shelter and providing cash for rent to vulnerable households.

### Agriculture/Livelihoods



UK support to FAO in Lebanon is supporting households with agricultural livelihoods through training, animal feed and vaccinations. UK funding has also supported a wider range of livelihoods activities in Lebanon and Iraq aimed at short-term job creation through cash for work projects and skills generation to increase employability.

### Protection



Through UNICEF and other partners, the UK has delivered a range of psychosocial interventions including child friendly spaces, counselling for survivors of sexual and gender based violence and group therapy sessions led by trained staff to help refugees cope with displacement.

### Education



There are over 1.5 million Syrian refugee children who need access to education in the region (UNICEF 29.08.14). The UK is funding partners in the region to provide education supply kits in refugee camps in Jordan which includes pencils, exercise books and erasers. In addition, the UK has committed to provide packs of textbooks benefiting at least 300,000 Syrian and Lebanese children attending Lebanese public schools.

### Coordination



The UK has funded experts to work in humanitarian agencies and help make the humanitarian response more effective. These include a shelter expert in UNHCR in Lebanon, a water and sanitation expert in UNICEF in Iraq, and a humanitarian adviser working with the Government of Lebanon.



Providing shelter with Save the Children in Lebanon. Source: DFID





## SUPPORT TO VULNERABLE GROUPS

The impact of humanitarian crises is often borne disproportionately by vulnerable groups including women and children. Such vulnerable groups are a priority for the UK humanitarian assistance and protection programmers. Some examples include:

### No Lost Generation

Over 6.6 million children are in need across Syria and the wider region (UNICEF 29.08.14). There is a danger of a “lost generation” of Syrian children experiencing trauma and displacement, and missing out on an education. Their lives have been disrupted by the conflict and their future potential wasted.

The ‘No Lost Generation’ Initiative aims to increase support for education, psycho-social support, and protection for Syrian children. The UK is supporting organisations in Syria and in the region for the No Lost Generation initiative. This includes the education support detailed in the Syria and Regional section, and the psycho social support detailed in the protection sections, for example running child friendly spaces that provide a safe place for the Syrian children to play, study, and enjoy time with other children.

### Women and girls

The crisis has placed many women and girls at risk of violence, exploitation and insecurity. Due to conflict and population displacement many of the most vulnerable households are supported by women, who often lack necessary assets to meet their needs and those of their children. The UK has provided cash assistance to help female refugees in Jordan pay rent. We are also providing livelihoods support to women including training, hens, feed, seeds and tools. Pregnant women are particularly at risk, and the UK is providing new-born kits for mothers and pregnant women in Iraq, and reproductive health services for women in Jordan. We are also providing financial support for vulnerable Syrian women who are thought to be at risk of coerced marriage, to help reduce their risk of exploitation.



Children at Za'atri camp, Jordan. Source: UNICEF

### Host communities

Communities in neighbouring countries have been extraordinarily generous in hosting vulnerable Syrian refugees. The UK recognises that this is putting an enormous strain on their resources and we are supporting refugee hosting communities through the humanitarian assistance programme. For example, in Jordan, the UK is funding WHO to increase the access to comprehensive health services for Syrian refugees and vulnerable Jordanians and to improve the national and local public health coordination under the Jordanian Ministry of Health's leadership.

### Palestinian refugees

There is a large population of Palestinian refugees living in Syria and the region, who are particularly vulnerable to conflict. UK funding is supporting UNRWA in their work with Palestinian refugees affected by the violence. This funding will provide support for Palestinian refugees in Syria, Lebanon and Jordan, including food parcels and relief items such as blankets and hygiene items like soap.

### Survivors of trauma

Conflict can cause severe psychological harm, and the UK is providing funding for clinical care and counselling. This includes support for Syrian men, women and children in Jordan who have experienced trauma including sexual violence.

# UK AID SYRIA RESPONSE

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| DFID funding for humanitarian activities in Syria and the region by country (subject to change)                                                                                                                                   |              |              |                |               |               |              |               |                             |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Agency<br>(Note: Financial allocations and planned results in this document are rounded, indicative and subject to change).                                                                                                       | Syria        | Jordan       | Lebanon        | Turkey        | Iraq          | Egypt        | Regional      | Allocations being finalised | Total        |
| <b>CARE International – Multi Sectoral</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        | -            | £2.0m        | -              | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £2m          |
| <b>Doctors of the World (Mdm) – Provision of medical aid including primary health care and cash assistance</b>                                                                                                                    | -            | £5.0m        | £4.7m          | -             | -             | -            | £0.8m         |                             | £10.5m       |
| <b>Danish Refugee Council (DRC) – Provision of cash assistance, funding for winter items, clothing &amp; blankets</b>                                                                                                             | -            | £4.5m        | -              | £5.0m         | -             | -            | -             |                             | £9.5m        |
| <b>Handicap International – Multi Sectoral</b>                                                                                                                                                                                    | -            | £3.4m        | £3.6m          | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £7m          |
| <b>International Rescue Committee (IRC) – Provision of medical aid including primary health care &amp; cash</b>                                                                                                                   | -            | £4.3m        | £5.3m          | -             | £1.8m         | -            | -             |                             | £11.4m       |
| <b>Islamic Relief – Multi Sectoral</b>                                                                                                                                                                                            | -            | £2.0m        | -              | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £2m          |
| <b>Mercy Corps - Food, shelter/NFIs and WASH support</b>                                                                                                                                                                          | £27.3m       | -            | -              | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £27.3m       |
| <b>Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) – Shelter &amp; protection support</b>                                                                                                                                                         | -            | £1.0m        | £5.6m          | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £6.6m        |
| <b>Oxfam – Multi Sectoral</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                     | -            | -            | £3.6m          | -             | -             | -            | £1.3m         |                             | £4.8m        |
| <b>Save the Children International (SCI) – Clothing, shelter kits &amp; vouchers</b>                                                                                                                                              | -            | -            | £6.3m          | -             | £0.2m         | £0.4m        | £1.9m         |                             | £8.8m        |
| <b>World Vision International – Multi Sectoral</b>                                                                                                                                                                                | -            | -            | £1.9m          | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £1.9m        |
| <b>International Committee of the Red Cross/Crescent</b>                                                                                                                                                                          | £9.0m        | £1.9m        | £3.5m          | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £14.4m       |
| <b>International Organisation for Migration (IOM) – Transportation services to Syrian refugees from border areas to camps</b>                                                                                                     | £4.7m        | £2.0m        | -              | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £6.7m        |
| <b>Turkish Red Crescent (TRC) – Provision of supplies to refugees in Turkey to help prepare for winter</b>                                                                                                                        | -            | -            | -              | £1.0m         | -             | -            | -             |                             | £1m          |
| <b>UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) – Provision of poultry, vegetables, seed kits &amp; training</b>                                                                                                                    | £7.5m        | -            | £3.5m          | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £11m         |
| <b>UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) – Humanitarian coordination, information management, &amp; support to the UN Syria Emergency Response Fund</b>                                                   | £2.3m        | -            | -              | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £2.3m        |
| <b>UN Department for Safety and Security (UNDSS) – Support to UN safety &amp; security activities</b>                                                                                                                             | £0.5m        | -            | -              | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £0.5m        |
| <b>UNFPA – Protection</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                         | £3.0m        | -            | -              | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £3m          |
| <b>UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR) – Assistance to Internally Displaced Peoples through the Syrian Humanitarian Response Plan (SHARP) &amp; refugees through the Regional Response Plan</b>                                             | £10.7m       | £25.8m       | £16.5m         | £1.4m         | £5.5m         | £1.7m        | -             |                             | £61.6m       |
| <b>UN Children's Fund (UNICEF) – Water, sanitation, hygiene &amp; child protection for the SHARP, &amp; armoured vehicles for the safe delivery of assistance, &amp; an education programme in Jordan in partnership with UAE</b> | £15.8m       | £22.5m       | £15.9m         | £4.8m         | £7.2m         | -            | £4.2m         |                             | £70.3m       |
| <b>UN Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) – Provision of food parcels &amp; household items for Palestinian Refugees in Syria &amp; the region, &amp; protection services in Jordan</b>                                               | £15.6m       | £2.2m        | £7.7m          | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £25.5m       |
| <b>UN World Food Programme (WFP) – Food aid &amp; support to logistics operations via the Emergency Operation and Special Operation in Syria &amp; the Regional Response Plan (SHARP)</b>                                         | £72.2m       | £38.8m       | £37.8m         | £9.8m         | £2.2m         | £0.2m        | -             |                             | £161m        |
| <b>World Health Organisation (WHO) – Health sector funding inside &amp; outside Syria</b>                                                                                                                                         | £8.0m        | £1.8m        | -              | -             | -             | -            | £0.8m         |                             | £10.5m       |
| <b>Undisclosed humanitarian agencies, not named for security reasons (operating outside of the UN led response) – Multi sectoral humanitarian supplies including medical aid, water &amp; sanitation &amp; food</b>               | £120.8m      | £1.8m        | £4.6m          | £2.2m         | £1.0m         | -            | -             |                             | £130.4m      |
| <b>Government of Lebanon - Education</b>                                                                                                                                                                                          | -            | -            | £3.5m          | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £3.5m        |
| <b>Technical assistance to humanitarian partners and DFID in the region</b>                                                                                                                                                       | -            | -            | £0.2m          | £0.1m         | £0.1m         | -            | £4.4m         |                             | £4.8m        |
| <b>In kind contributions – Includes reinforced 4WD vehicles for UN agencies to deliver humanitarian programmes safely</b>                                                                                                         | £1.7m        | -            | -              | -             | -             | -            | -             |                             | £1.7m        |
| <b>Allocations being finalised</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                |              |              |                |               |               |              |               |                             |              |
| <b>Totals</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>£299m</b> | <b>£119m</b> | <b>£124.1m</b> | <b>£24.2m</b> | <b>£18.1m</b> | <b>£2.3m</b> | <b>£13.3m</b> | <b>-</b>                    | <b>£600m</b> |