

YEMEN

ICRC ACTIVITIES

August - September 2019



On September 30, the ICRC facilitated the unilateral release, by the National Committee of Prisoners' Affairs of 290 detainees in Sana'a.

In August and September, the International Committee of the Red Cross maintained the implementation of its various activities in the realm of healthcare, physical rehabilitation, economic security, detention, water provision and protection of the civilian population. Acting as a neutral intermediary, the ICRC facilitated the unilateral release of 290 detainees by the National Committee for Prisoner's Affairs in Sana'a. This is a welcome initiative that brought much relief and comfort to families waiting to be reunited with their loved ones in hopes that further releases occur. The ICRC views such initiatives as important contributors to confidence building measures that will hopefully culminate into a political solution that ends the military conflict.



ICRC and Yemen Red Crescent Society staff checking distribution lists in al-Dhalea governorate whereby food, health and shelter assistance was distributed to 4000 displaced families.

FACTS AND FIGURES

- **261,852** patients benefitted from the healthcare and medical facilities services provided & supported by ICRC.
- **118,741** individuals received relief assistance.
- **+2.2 M** Yemenis benefitted from water and sanitation services.

ICRC YEMEN DELEGATION HIGHLIGHTS

An illustrated overview of some of the activities carried out by the ICRC delegation in Yemen during the months of August and September 2019. For more details, please refer to the next pages in this report.



HEALTHCARE & MEDICAL SUPPORT



261,852

PATIENTS

benefitted from the healthcare and medical facilities services provided by ICRC, of which 5,299 were weapon wounded.



71,990

INSULIN AMPOULES

provided by ICRC to the Ministry of Health in Aden for distribution to diabetics in the city.



11,988

SUSPECTED CHOLERA CASES

across all the supported facilities were received.



+52

MILLION RIYALS

Provided by the ICRC-supported physical rehabilitation program to 362 staff as monthly incentives.



FOOD DISTRIBUTION & PRODUCTION



16,963

HOUSEHOLDS

benefitted from the relief assistance of food and essential non-food items in 6 governorates.



PROTECTION



290

DETAINEES

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WATER, SANITATION & CONSTRUCTION



+2.2 million

PERSONS

benefitted from ICRC water, sanitation & construction services.



49,073

LITER OF OIL

donated by the ICRC during August and September 2019, to ensure continuity of generator operation and power production.



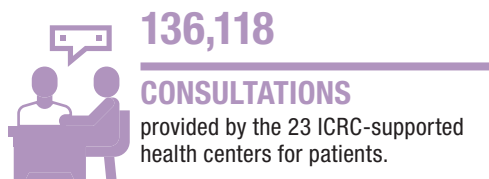
177,400

CHLORINE TABLETS

donated by the ICRC for General Authority for Rural Water Supply Projects- Dhamar. beneficiaries 100'000 inhabitants.

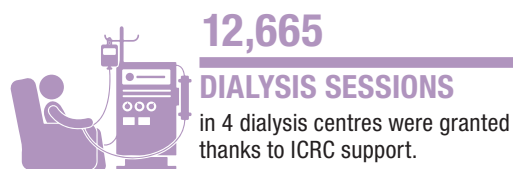
BETTER ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE AND MEDICAL FACILITIES

To respond to the health needs of the civilian population affected by the conflict, the ICRC has supported the following essential preventive services and life-saving curative services:



Regular medical assistance continued to be provided to 23 primary-health-care (PHC) centres in 9 governorates across the country.

- In the 23 ICRC-supported PHCs, 124,226 consultations were carried out, 31% (38,481) of which were for children under 5 years of age.
- A total of 6,073 antenatal consultations were provided to pregnant women and 1,191 deliveries were registered.
- Across all the supported facilities 11,988 suspected cholera cases were received and no deaths due to cholera recorded.
- A total of 5,819 consultations were provided to patients with non-communicable diseases (NCDs), mainly high blood pressure and diabetes.



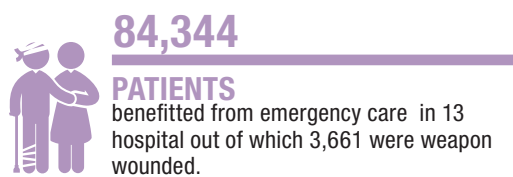
- To ensure continuity of care for patients with NCDs, support was provided, with drugs and consumables (such as needles, gauze, syringes, gloves etc.), to 4 dialysis centres, one in each of the 4 governorates of Aden al-Mahweet, Hajjah and Hodeida. A total of 12,665 dialysis sessions were conducted.

The ICRC hospital support program has ensured access to high quality health care services throughout the continuum of care:

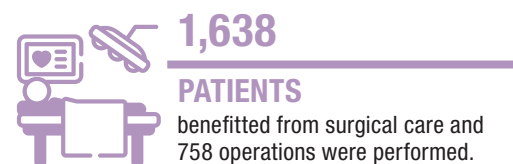


- Regular support provided to 9 hospitals in 7 governorates with supply of drugs, medical consumables and equipment to ensure treatment for weapon wounded and trauma patients (Type IV): Amanat al-Asima (3 hospitals), Mareb, Al-Jawf, Dhamar, Ibb, Hodeida, and Shabwa.

- In these hospitals, a total of 83,826 patients received emergency care, out of which 3,479 were weapon wounded.



- Ad-hoc support was given to 4 referral hospitals in 2 governorates (Aden, Taiz) to ensure stabilization of weapon wounded and trauma patients and the provision of surgical care (Type V). Through this support, 518 patients received emergency care, out of which 182 were weapon wounded.



- ICRC surgical activities were maintained in 2 ICRC-supported hospitals: Al-Talh (Sa'ada) and Bajil (Hodeida) provided emergency care for 554 weapon wounded. (305 in Al Talh and 249 in Bajil). It also allowed inpatient surgical care for 326 admitted weapon wounded patients (240 in Al-Talh, 86 in Bajil), with a total of 758 surgeries performed (521 in Al-Talh, 237 in Bajil).

In its efforts to alleviate the suffering of patients in Yemen, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) provided 71,990 insulin ampoules to the Ministry of Health in Aden for any distribution to diabetics in the city. The consignment delivered on Sunday, 8 September 2019, is the fourth batch delivered to the ministry





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GYNAE-OBSTETRICS

benefitted from the support of emergency obstetric care for pregnant women as well as the provision of surgical services, including 46 caesarean sections.

- Beside the provision of surgical services in the two ICRC-supported hospitals (Al-Talh and Bajil), the ICRC also started supporting emergency obstetric care for pregnant women. There were 448 gynae-obstetrics admissions, with 46 caesarean sections performed in the months of August and September 2019.

Physical Rehabilitation Program (PRP):

A total of 13,460 persons received services from the ICRC-supported physical rehabilitation centers (PRCs) in Sana'a, Aden, Taiz, Mukalla and Sa'ada, including the delivery of 182 prostheses (such as artificial limbs), 4,221 orthoses (such as braces and splints), 504 walking aids and 89 wheelchairs.



13,460

PERSONS

benefitted from services provided at ICRC-supported physical rehabilitation centers in 4 governorates.

During these two months, ICRC's PRP continued to provide staff incentives to all five physical rehabilitation centers, with a total of 362 persons receiving a monthly amount of 52,246,200 YER to ensure continuity of services to people with disabilities in Yemen.

The ten students continue their training programme at the Sana'a campus of HIHS into their third semester.

As a component of social inclusion through sports, the female wheelchair basketball team continues its training and practice every day as it prepares itself to represent Yemen in the regional tournament coming up in 2020 in Lebanon.

SUPPORT TO VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES AND INTERNALLY DISPLACED PEOPLE



16,963

HOUSEHOLDS

benefitted from the relief assistance of food and essential non-food items in 6 governorates.

During the months of August and September the Economic Security department assisted 118'741 people (16'963 households) by providing support to vulnerable communities in six different governorates across Yemen with food and essential household items.

RELIEF ASSISTANCE (FOOD AND ESSENTIAL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS)

- In al-Khawkhah district, al-Hodeida governorate, with the support of the Yemen Red Crescent Society (YRCS), 2,500 displaced households (17,500 individuals), received a full food parcel containing 50kg of rice, 25kg of beans, 25kg of lentils, 10L of oil, sugar, tomato paste, salt and black tea. In addition, and as a nutritional boost, each family received 60 sachets of plumpy sup (supplementary feeding for children under 5 and pregnant and lactating women).

In Aden the ICRC distributed food and shelter assistance to 50 families displaced from Taiz due to the conflict.



- In Damt districts of al-Dhalea governorate, the ICRC, with the support and cooperation of the YRCS, assisted 27'496 displaced people (3'928 households) affected by the fighting in the governorate. It provided them with one-month food rations and Essential Household Items (EHI), such as hygiene kits, blankets, jerrycans, buckets, kitchen sets, etc.
- In Taiz governorate, with the support of the YRCS, 7'000 displaced persons (1000 families) in al-Mokha districts were assisted with food and EHI, while in al-Maafer district, 780 families received essential household assistance

to improve their living conditions.

- In Monabbih district, Sa'ada governorate, 8'386 displaced persons (1'198 families), received EHIs, such as blankets, tarpaulin, jerrycans, kitchen set, sleeping mats, among others.
- In al-Buriqah district of Aden governorate, 50 new displaced families received food and EHI.
- Due to the floods and in coordination with YRCS branch, the ICRC assisted 29 affected families in al-Hazm district Camp in Al Jawf with food and EHI to compensate for their lost assets.

WATER, SANITATION & CONSTRUCTION

ICRC's Water and Habitat department continued its neutral and impartial support to the Yemeni population.



+2.2 million

PERSONS

benefitted from ICRC water, sanitation & construction services.

In Aden Governorate

- In al-Mansoura Kabuta Health Center, ICRC rehabilitated the center. Beneficiaries: 20 consultations per day.
- In Local Water and Sanitation Corporation Aden, ICRC rehabilitated the Geographic Information System (GIS) department's office that deals with spatial and geographic data. Beneficiaries: 20.

In al-Baydha Governorate

- In Rada'a Water and Sanitation Local Corporation, ICRC donated 140 items of steel rods and their connections with tools. Beneficiaries: 57'827 individuals.
- In al-Quraysheyah al-Zwab Rural Water Project, ICRC carried out a successful pumping test for the borehole indicating that the project is successful and should be continued. Expected beneficiaries; 4'000 individuals.

In al-Hodeida Governorate

- In Bajil Rural Hospital (40 beds), ICRC delivered and installed electromechanical items for the recently donated 250kVA generator. The connection work to the electrical system supporting the Medical Surgical Team (MST) in the hospital was completed. Also, ICRC supplied and installed 19 air condition split units. ICRC supplied and installed diesel fuel tank with 30'000 litres capacity to ensure continuity during diesel supply crises. ICRC also supplied four steel garbage containers.



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ICRC continues the rehabilitation of a water harvesting pond, started in 2018, in Arsham village in Arhab district north of Sana'a.

In Amanat al-Asimah Governorate

- In Sana'a Water and Sanitation Local Corporation, ICRC donated 24'035 liters of lubricant oil to insure sustainable safe water supply in Sana'a city. Beneficiaries; 1'500'000 individuals.
- In a place of detention, ICRC completed the construction works of building a shelter for the new generators. Beneficiaries: 1'100 detainees.
- In Typical Police Hospital (150 beds), ICRC donated 2'190 liters of lubricant oil to the hospital to support the power supply in the hospital through generators.
- In Al-Thawrah Hospital (987 beds), ICRC completed the donation of sewage cleaning rods, 3'384 liters of lubricant oil and 79 spare parts for the running of the generators.
- In al-Jumhuri Hospital (575 beds), ICRC donated 2'976 liters of lubricant oil and 31 spare parts for the running of the generators.
- In al-Kuwait Hospital, (320 beds) donated 932 liters of lubricant oil and 38 spare parts for the generators. We also supplied and installed a steel hanger for bakery and kitchen upgrade.

In al-Dhalea Governorate

- In al-Zanad Water Project, ICRC supplied and

installed control panels for a borehole. Beneficiaries: 3'018 individuals.

In al-Jawf Governorate

- **In al-Hazm IDP Camp**, ICRC donated 29 family tents (16m²) to respond to flash-flooding affecting IDPs in the district. The distribution was carried-out by YRCS volunteers benefiting 29 families i.e. 203 individuals.

In Dhamar Governorate

- **In Dhamar Water and Sanitation Local Corporation**: ICRC donated 6'066 liters of generator's lubricant oil. The intervention will allow authorities to serve 280'000 individuals.
- **In Dhamar General Authority for Rural Water Supply Projects**, ICRC donated 177'400 chlorine tablets. Beneficiaries: 100'000 inhabitants.
- **In Dhamar General Hospital (300 beds)**. ICRC donated 1'180 liters of lubricant oil and 8 spare parts for the generators .

In Mareb Governorate

- **In Mareb Military Hospital (100 beds)**, ICRC donated 1'320 liters of lubricant oil and consumable spare parts for the running of the generators.
- **In Mareb 26 September Hospital (114 beds)**, ICRC donated 1'110 liters of lubricant oil and consumable spare parts for the running of the generators.
- **In Mareb Kara Hospital (100 beds)**, ICRC donated 1'920 liters of lubricant oil and consumable spare parts for the running of the generators.

- **In Mareb Commission Hospital (320 beds)**, ICRC donated 3'420 liters of lubricant oil and consumable spare parts for the running of the generators.

- **In Mareb Water Sanitation General Corporation**, ICRC donated 540 liters of lubricant oil and consumable spare parts for the running of the generators. Beneficiaries:150'000 individuals.

In Lahj Governorate

- **In Lahj Local Water and Sanitation Corporation al-Hawtah and Tuban**, ICRC started the work on repairing one excavator and one truck mounted crane by rehabilitating the engines, and providing tires and batteries for the same equipment. This will reduce the cost during rehabilitation of the water network in the field instead of renting an excavator. Expected beneficiaries: 100'000 individuals.

In Sana'a Governorate

- **In Arhab Awmarah Rural Hospital**, ICRC donated a set of materials and tools (such as multi-purpose tent used to provide emergency medical assistance in remote areas, cholera response kit and cleaning tools, etc..) to the hospital. Beneficiaries: 173 consultancies per day. ICRC supplied and installed three equipped multipurpose tents 45 m2 in the frame of the Cholera response.

In Taiz Governorate

- **In Hajdah Water System Project**, ICRC rehabilitated two boreholes. Expected beneficiaries: 26'000 individuals.

PROTECTION

ICRC staff check detainees list during the unilateral release of 290 detainees facilitated by the ICRC.



DETENTION

In August and September, the ICRC conducted visits to detainees held in two places of detention and held interviews in private with the detainees to assess their conditions of detention and their treatment. It discussed with the authorities in charge issues of concern and shared its recommendations where required.

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DETAINEES

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In addition, it visited 290 detainees in preparation for their release by the authorities in Sana'a, which took place on 30 September 2019. It provided them with clothes and with financial to meet their most immediate needs and to enable them to travel to their homes. Special measures were taken for detainees whose health condition required them. The ICRC welcomed the initiative, which it hopes will lead to further prisoners' releases.

The ICRC distributed assistance, mainly hygiene products and clothes, to a total of 8164 detainees.

PROTECTION OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION (PCP)

The ICRC continued receiving first-hand information from victims or/and eyewitnesses on alleged violations of International Humanitarian Law (IHL) during the conduct of hostilities between warring parties, with a view of presenting them to the authorities and parties concerned through a confidential and bilateral dialogue, improving behavior of arm carriers and ensuring respect for civilians and civilian essential infrastructure.

RESTORING FAMILY LINKS (RFL)

In August, the ICRC facilitated, in coordination with the Yemen Red Crescent, the family reunification for 7 unaccompanied minors who were separated from their families because of the conflict in Yemen.

In September, following an airstrike on a place of detention in Dhamar, the ICRC facilitated 9 phone calls between survivors and their family members and was in contact with 103 families of detainees believed to have been present at the time of the airstrike.

Between August and September, the ICRC collected information on 36 persons who have been separated from their families due to the current conflict and clarified the fate of 31 persons who went missing because of the conflict. The ICRC assisted families living in Yemen to

restore contact with their relatives detained abroad by facilitating the exchange of 18 Red Cross messages (open letters the ICRC exchanges between family members who are separated due to conflict, detention, internal displacement/migration and natural disasters) and 11 video and phone calls.

In addition, ICRC supported vulnerable migrants in Yemen to restore contact with their families through the exchange of 359 Red Cross messages. Furthermore, the ICRC collected information on 1 person who has been separated from his family because of migration.

FORENSIC ACTIVITIES

The ICRC forensic team conducted several meetings with different authorities related to the forensic services including the Attorney General, Criminal Evidence Department, Criminal Investigation Department and Ministry of Health in Sana'a. As a result, a committee from different authorities and the ICRC was established to explore possible ways to develop forensic services in the country. The committee has already started its meetings and agreed upon several promising measures.

The forensic unit facilitated the donation of materials to different authorities responsible for the handling of the dead in Yemen. In total, over the reporting period, 280 body bags, 210 tags, 380 tie wraps, 30 retrieval kits have been donated for the humane treatment of the remains and proper identification.

COMMUNICATION & PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW

To highlight the massive humanitarian needs in Yemen and to promote International Humanitarian Law, the ICRC's communication/prevention department implemented the following activities:



TV /RADIO



interviews to regional, local and international media outlets.

- Gave over 30 TV /radio interviews to regional, local and international media outlets.
- Arranged several photo missions and produced

audio-visual materials showcasing the dire humanitarian needs in Yemen. The material was shared on ICRC's global and Yemen-specific social media platforms.

- Carried out 6 communication sessions about ICRC targeting different audiences including fighters, government officials, community leaders, Islamic circles and IDPs and vulnerable communities benefitting from relief provision.
- Supported the Yemen Red Crescent branches in 21 governorates across Yemen in carrying out 210 communication sessions about the fundamental principles of the Red Cross and Red Crescent.

WEAPON CONTAMINATION (WEC)

Risk education sessions were carried out in Aden, precisely in Dar Saad district targeting 42 beneficiaries from host communities and 105 IDPs from Hodei-

da governorate to raise awareness and enhance their knowledge regarding the risk of explosive remnants of war.

COOPERATION

COOPERATION WITH THE YEMEN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY (YRCS)

The ICRC supported 14 YRCS Branches. In particular, ICRC support allowed the YRCS to:

- Provide First Aid and hospital transfer to 826 weapon-wounded.
- Retrieve human remains for 196 persons.
- Provide MRE session to 8820 beneficiaries.
- Provide cholera awareness sessions to 11'639 beneficiaries.
- Distribute 300 EHI to IDPs Abyan.
- Deliver 50 food parcels, 50 non-food items.
- Provide FA and transfer services to 24 patients in al-Wadihah border point, the pilgrims were transferred from al-Wadihah border point to a health clinic inside the border point.

ACTIVITIES REPORTED BY THE RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT MOVEMENT PARTNERS

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT SOCIETIES (IFRC)

IFRC supported the YRCS to:

- Install solar water pump system in four communities in Hajjah targeting 7,938 community members.
- Supply safe water to 182,000 people (26,000 HHs) through the water trucking project in Amran, Dhamar, Hajjah and Sanaa capital city

DANISH RED CROSS (DRC):

DRC supported the YRCS to:

- Provide water trucking to 28 installed water tanks in al-Mahweet targeting 41,600 IDPs and vulnerable people.
- Provide water trucking to 6 installed water tanks in Ibb targeting 11,834 IDPs and vulnerable people.
- Implement outreach health services in al-Mahweet targeting 753 beneficiaries.
- Conduct Community Based Health First Aid training in al-Mahweet, Aden, Sana'a, al-Hodeida and Ibb for 1200 community health volunteers.

GERMAN RED CROSS (GRC):

GRC supported YRCS to:

- Support the health facilities in Hajjah, Amran and Taiz with essential drugs, solution and running costs, incentive for the staff,

fuel and oxygen through YRCS reaching around 25,587 beneficiaries.

- Support daily water trucking for 46 points in Amran, Hajjah, Sana'a Capital and Sana'a governorate distributing around 13,768,500 liters of clean water reaching 23,000 beneficiaries.
- Provide 227,500 liters of clean water to a disabled center in Sana'a.

QATAR RED CRESCENT SOCIETY (QRCS):

- QRCS has supported 21 health facilities (hospitals and health centers) through: providing medicines, medical supplies, medical tools, equipment, incentives, training, referral, health awareness, water, fuel and other operational expenses. These health facilities are located in 10 districts within 4 governorates (Taiz, Hodeida, Amanat al-Asimah, al-Dhalea) as per the following:

- 12 Health Facilities in 5 districts in Taiz governorate.
- 4 health centers in one district in Hodeida governorate.
- 6 health centers in 2 districts in al-Dhalea governorate
- 2 health centers in in 2 districts in Amanat al-Asimah governorate

- These health facilities provided primary and emergency healthcare to a number of beneficiaries, as follows:

- Total number of outpatient medical consultations was 72756
- Total number of consultations for communicable diseases including outbreaks is 17773 cases.
- Total number of consultations for hypertensive patients was 18967 cases.
- Total number of trauma cases receiving life support (emergency care) was 2930 cases.
- Total number of children under 1 receiving Penta3 was 1865 cases.
- Total number of beneficiaries of the reproductive healthcare services was 12883 cases: (antenatal care: 8462, postnatal care: 3699, C-section: 32, and normal deliveries: 690).
- Total number of dialysis patients' consultations (Kidney Failure consultations) was 1735 cases.

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