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AFGHANISTAN OPERATIONAL FACTS & FIGURES



SUPPORTING HEALTH CARE

PRIMARY HEALTH CARE:



434,812 patients, mostly women and children, received primary health care at **47** health facilities of the Afghan Red Crescent Society (ARCS) that are supported by the ICRC



148,224 doses of routine vaccinations were administered at **46** ARCS-supported health facilities



Over 4,000 malnourished children benefited from ARCS's nutrition programme supported by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in **46** basic-health-care facilities



Financial assistance was provided to the ARCS to cover the salaries of **46** ARCS nutrition nurses and 2 nutrition managers of the newly created ARCS nutrition unit



164 ARCS clinical staff received financial and technical support to attend various training sessions

HOSPITAL CARE:



5 hospitals – Ghazni Regional Hospital, Ghazni Provincial Hospital, Rokha District Hospital, Khost Provincial Hospital, and Tirinkot Provincial Hospital – were provided support through the donation of medical equipment and supplies and organization of training sessions on remote trauma care for staff members



121 medical equipment, as well as 1 trauma kit to handle up to **50** patients were donated to **5** hospitals



40 health-care staff were trained in three basic emergency care courses



46 health-care professionals participated in **5** ICRC-supported trauma care training sessions in the Ghazni region



HEALTH EDUCATION:

9 branches of the Ghazanfar Institute for Health Sciences (GIHS) received contributions to their running costs, thus ensuring continuity of training sessions for nurses, midwives and health technicians



3,912 students (**2,029** female and **1,883** male students) enrolled in **9** (GIHS) branches. Female staff members make up 30% of the total staff at the IHS branches



FIRST AID:

237 first responders were trained at **15** basic first-aid training sessions in different provinces and **237** first-aid kits were handed over to them



EMERGENCY RESPONSE:

107 emergency trauma kits were donated to Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) hospitals, primary health-care centres and military health clinics That treat patients involved in mass casualty emergencies. Each kit can treat 30 to 100 injured people

PHYSICAL REHABILITATION SERVICES



99,457 patients were assisted in **7** ICRC-supported physical rehabilitation centres



5,249 home visits were done to help **2,734** patients



8,646 new patients were registered, including **589** people who underwent amputation



284 patients were granted microcredit loans



15,545 prostheses and orthoses were manufactured



180 patients were given vocational training



67,984 physiotherapy sessions were held



Abdullah, a 7-year-old suffering from club feet came to the ICRC for treatment.

ACTIVITIES IN FAVOUR OF PEOPLE DEPRIVED OF THEIR LIBERTY



30 detention visits were carried out in **15** places of detention across the country



8,000 detainees in **5** places of detention received monthly food assistance. Workshops and training sessions, on food chain management and nutrition surveys, were also held for the Office of Prison Administration (OPA), prison staff and focal points of the (MoPH)



More than **21,000** consultations were provided to detainees in Herat and Sarpoza provincial prisons as part of the ICRC's support to the prison health services package



We also provided financial, logistical and technical support to the MoPH for implementing the service



Periodic meetings of Provincial Prison Health Committee and Prison Health Sub-Working Group were facilitated to support access to quality health-care services for detainees. Monthly workshops were also held for prison health-care staff



Nutrition monitoring tools were donated to the Herat provincial prison to improve the nutritional status screening process. Additionally, about **80** women benefited from ICRC-supported response to a lice outbreak in this prison



More than **60** detainees across the country received physical rehabilitation services



6 workshops were organized for more than **160** prison staff on best prison management practices



More than **15,000** detainees in **15** places of detention were provided with kits to improve their personal hygiene and sanitary conditions



Female detainees in Balkh provincial prison were provided with bedding material



Detainees in Balkh and Kunduz provincial prisons were provided with recreational and educational material



About **30** female detainees in Sarpoza provincial prison were provided with sewing and tailoring training at the prison's restored sewing workshop



Hygiene items distribution in Sarpoza provincial prison.



Reunification of a mother to his son after 5 years.

PROTECTION OF FAMILY LINKS



113 cases of missing people were solved and their whereabouts were ascertained



3 video teleconference calls were facilitated, and **50** Red Cross messages (containing brief family news) were exchanged between detainees held at the Guantanamo Bay Internment Facility and their families in Afghanistan



81 Red Cross messages and **1** salamats (oral short messages) were exchanged between detainees in Afghanistan and their families



7 people were put in contact with their families through the Trace the Face online platform



1,247 people contacted the ICRC in Afghanistan to enquire about their loved ones



PROTECTION OF CIVILIAN POPULATION

We continued to monitor the humanitarian situation and, when necessary, we confidentially and bilaterally raised concerns with weapon bearers about their behaviour to help prevent the abuse of people's rights

We engaged with communities in several provinces to better understand their concerns and identify ways of limiting the humanitarian impact on them



DIGNIFIED MANAGEMENT OF THE DEAD

A five-day forensic specialization training was conducted by Medi-co-Legal Directorate (MLD), with the ICRC's support, for **24** forensic staff from across the country

A three-day sensitization session was jointly organized with the MLD for about **20** police personnel in Kabul, to enhance the cooperation between MLD and the police

Technical staff from **6** forensic medical departments received support for a ten-day exposure visit to Kabul MLD

A round-table meeting was organized with various authorities on the importance of forensic services for addressing the issue of missing people

12 forensic specialists attended a five-day workshop at the MLD on the identification and management of human remains.

7 morgue freezers, **2** morgues and **1** container were repaired to improve the storage capacity of the morgues in MLD



People collect water from repaired handpumps in Laghman's provincial Alinigar district.



ASSISTANCE TO COMMUNITIES



203 households (**1,913** people) who suffered violence or were victims of incidents of weapon contamination received assistance to cope with the financial consequences on them



396 households (**3,168** people) earned income through cash-for-work projects in Herat, Kandahar and Panjshir, the communities' irrigation infrastructure was restored, flood prevention measures were implemented to protect farmland and a check dam was constructed



Over **211,000** people received improved electricity supply through the donation of transformer oil, electrical equipment and transformers to Da Afghanistan Breshna Sherkat (DABS)



More than **61,000** people living in urban areas received access to clean drinking water owing to revamped infrastructure



Over **75,000** people living in rural areas gained access to clean drinking water owing to the repair of **500** hand pumps



PARTNERING WITH THE AFGHAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY (ARCS)

DONATIONS TO ARCS:



Emergency financial support was provided to the ARCS HQ to support families affected by floods and earthquakes across the country



Financial assistance was provided to cover the salaries of **109** employees, the operating costs of **42** offices and small rehabilitation projects



22 vehicles were donated to support ARCS's operational response



60 wheelchairs were donated to the ARCS Marastoon (social welfare centres) programme



HF/VHF radio equipment were donated to ARCS HQ radio room

CAPACITY-BUILDING:



85 ARCS volunteers and staff members received training in Safer Access Framework to enhance their field access, security and acceptance



15 ARCS safety and security staff were trained in security risk management



6 security assessments of the regional offices and branches were conducted by ARCS safety and security staff



Cash for work project supported by the ICRC in Yangi Qala district of Takhar.



ADDRESSING WEAPON CONTAMINATION

40 volunteers, from the north-east and central south-west regions, received training in risk awareness and safer behavior (RASB)

320 ARCS staff members and **430** ICRC staff members received staff safety training



PROMOTING BASIC HUMANITARIAN RULES AND PRINCIPLES

418 Ministry of Interior (MoI) officials attended sessions on ICRC activities and the use of force in law enforcement



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION ON ICRC ACTIVITIES

2,253 community leaders and members attended **100** sessions on the ICRC activities

1,175 religious and community leaders and members, and ICRC contacts attended **34** Iftar gatherings held in various ICRC offices across the country during the month of Ramadan



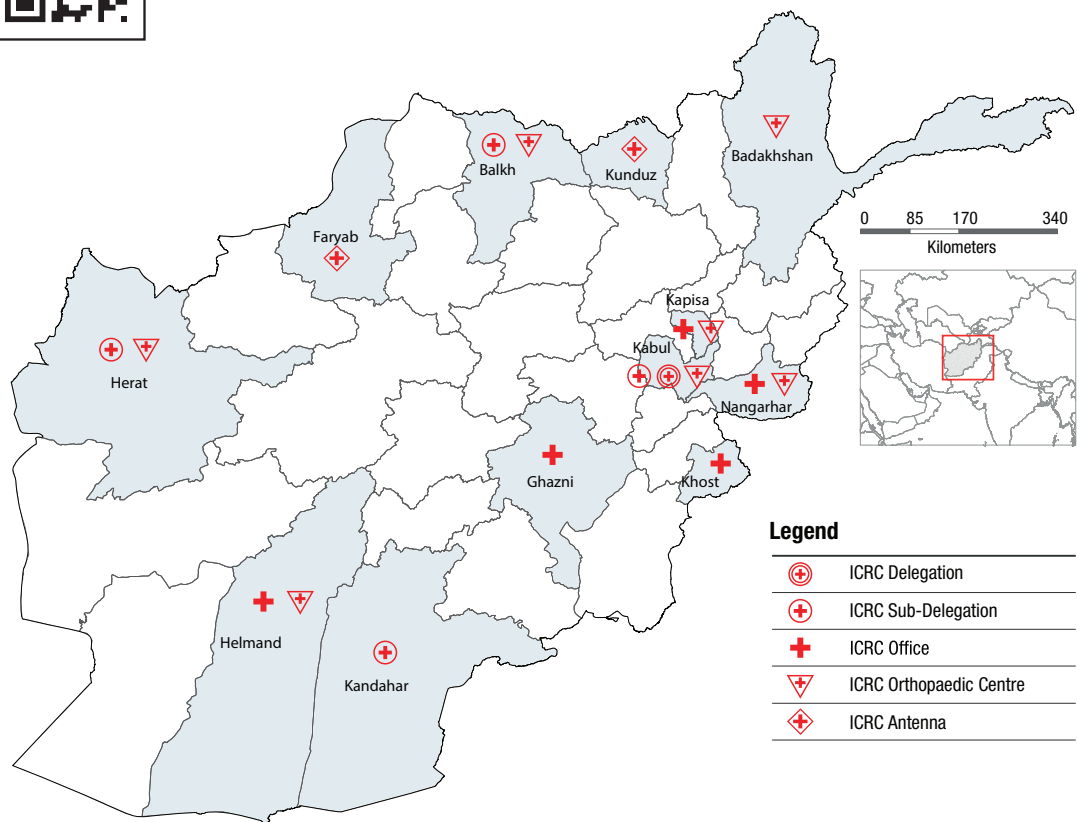
ICRC helping to improve the electricity supply to the Mirwais Regional Hospital

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