

JANUARY TO JUNE 2025

# AFGHANISTAN OPERATIONAL FACTS AND FIGURES



## SUPPORTING HEALTH CARE

### PRIMARY HEALTH CARE



608,600

people, mostly women and children (64% female), received primary health care at 47 health facilities of the Afghan Red Crescent Society (ARCS) supported by the ICRC.



164,418

doses of routine vaccinations were administered at 46 ARCS-supported health facilities.



4,182

malnourished children benefited from ARCS's nutrition programme supported by the ICRC.



92

Financial assistance was provided to ARCS to cover the salaries of 92 nutrition clinical staff, and 2 nutrition managers.



174

ARCS clinical staff (126 females and 48 males) received financial and technical support to attend various training sessions and update their skills.



329

ARCS clinical and management staff members joined awareness sessions on respecting and protecting health care.



11

ARCS clinical staff were trained regarding the responsibilities and obligations of health-care staff through ICRC's financial and technical support.



28

health technical meetings were organized with ARCS clinical staff (253 participants: 188 males and 65 females) in the seven regions to improve the quality of health care.



2

ARCS basic-health-centres were provided with Ready to Use Therapeutic Food (RUTF) to improve patients' nutrition.

**21**

basic-health-centres were supplied with non-medical and office equipment.

**19**

basic-health-centres were supplied with reporting tools.

**1.9**

Essential medicines and consumables valued at AFN **1.9** million were provided as emergency assistance to support ARCS's response for returnees in the southern region of the country.

## HOSPITAL CARE

**4**

hospitals (Khost Provincial Hospital, Paktya Regional Hospital, Office of Prison Administration (OPA) and Tirinkot Provincial Hospital) were trained in basic emergency care, and provided with essential medical equipment and clinical supplies to improve patient care as well as strengthen emergency response capacity. Non-medical items were also provided to improve working conditions.



Critical spare parts for the existing water supply were delivered to Khost Provincial Hospital (150-beds) for contingencies under the Health Emergency Department Support programme

**332,825**

patients received consultations in the fore-mentioned supported hospitals.

**115**

health-care staff were trained in 10 basic emergency care courses.

**2**

hospitals were provided with support through the second phase of the Hybrid Solar Power System **550** KW AC installed in Kandahar Mirwais Regional Hospital 620-beds.

## HEALTH EDUCATION

**9**

branches of the Ghazanfar Institute of Health Sciences (GIHS) received support for their running costs from January to March 2025, ensuring continuity of training for nurses, midwives and health technicians.

**986**

health staff, including personnel from the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) and the Afghan Red Crescent Society (ARCS), were trained in respecting health workers and services key messages, as well as on the rights and responsibilities of health workers.

**6**

basic emergency care training sessions, including 2 training for trainers were organized to support independent scale-up in other locations.

**3**

rounds of medical ethics training were financially supported, with the Respect for the Medical Mission messages integrated into the curriculum.

**85**

representatives from the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) and GIHS were trained through six Basic Emergency Care (BEC) sessions and two Training of Trainers (ToT) sessions, were strategically organized to enable independent scale-up of BEC training in other locations.

## FIRST AID

**107**

first responders were trained in 6 basic first-aid sessions and one advanced first-aid training session in different provinces and 107 first-aid kits were donated to them.

## EMERGENCY RESPONSE

**132**

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

Participants during the skill station, practicing physical examination skills at Ghazanfar Institute of Health Sciences.





## PHYSICAL REHABILITATION SERVICES



**104,634**

patients were provided with assistance in seven ICRC-supported physical rehabilitation centres.



**8,748**

new patients were registered, including **509** people who underwent amputation..



**15,550**

prostheses and orthoses were manufactured.



**72,949**

physiotherapy sessions were held.



**5,311**

home visits were made to help **2,920** patients.



**343**

patients were given vocational training.



**\$ 1,534**

patients were granted microcredit loans to start small businesses.

A physiotherapist engages with a patient during a session at the Kabul Physical Rehabilitation Centre, providing support on their path to recovery.



## HELPING PEOPLE DEPRIVED OF THEIR LIBERTY



**31**

detention visits were carried out in **12** places of detention across the country.



**29,857**

consultations were provided to detainees in Herat and Sarpoza provincial prisons with the ICRC's support. MoPH continued to receive technical, financial and logistical support to implement the prison health service package in facilities across the country.



**4**

Periodic meetings of Provincial Prison Health Committees and the Prison Health Sub-Working Group were facilitated to support access to quality health-care services for detainees.



**18,000**

individuals benefitted from ICRC supplementary deliveries of vegetables and fruit helped improved detainee rations during Ramadan.



**16,629**

detainees in **12** prisons received hygiene materials as the ICRC continued to support OPA's efforts to ensure suitable hygiene conditions in their detention facilities. Periodic campaigns were also organized to combat outbreaks of infectious disease, such as a scabies campaign in Balkh Provincial Prison covering more than **12,00** detainees and staff. Three detainees received physical rehabilitation services.



 **127**

health staff were trained in key health topics such as medical ethics, disease surveillance, initial medical screening (IMS), tuberculosis management, basic emergency care (BEC), waste management, diabetes management and health promotion.

 **2,000**

More than **2,000** detainees in Sarpoza Provincial Prison benefited through improved water supply systems.



Hygiene distribution in Sarpoza detention in Kandahar.



After the gradual phase-out from providing direct food assistance to detainees in late 2024, we continued to support the Office of Prison Administration to strengthen food chain management and nutrition monitoring, in cooperation with MoPH.

 **6**

Since early 2025, ICRC supported a pilot project at Pul-i-Charkhi Central Prison to develop vocational activities for detainees and enhance their nutrition intake by assisting to sustain a farm on the prison grounds covering **6** hectares.

 **180**

In four provinces, some **180** provincial prison staff were trained in good practices for detainee and facility management while workshops at provincial and central level focused on specific issues such as nutrition or hygiene.

## PROTECTION OF FAMILY LINKS

 **59**

cases of missing people were solved and their whereabouts were ascertained out of which 11 missing people were located with the assistance of the National Society and Movement partners.

 **3**

video teleconference calls were facilitated and **21** Red Cross Messages (containing brief family news) were exchanged between detainees held at the Guantanamo Bay Internment Facility and their families in Afghanistan.



The ICRC continued to support the Afghan Red Crescent Society to trace/search for, reunite or put people in contact with their loved ones who are separated because of violence, migration or natural disasters.

 **143**

family visits were facilitated to support families who cannot afford travel expenses to meet their detained relatives. Two people were put in contact with their families through the Trace the Face online platform.



After 3 years of separation and uncertainty, Lal Zamir is finally reunited with his son Fahim - a moment made possible with the support of the ICRC Afghanistan.

 **11**

Red Cross messages and **4** salamats (oral short message) were exchanged between detainees and their families.

 **3**

foreign detainees were notified to the consular services of their country of origin upon their request.

 **2,220**

people contacted the ICRC in Afghanistan, out of which **298** enquired about their missing loved ones.



## PROTECTION OF CIVILIAN POPULATION



ICRC continued to monitor the humanitarian situation and, when necessary, confidentially and bilaterally raised concerns with weapon bearers 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 round-table meeting was organized with the ARCS's disaster management team to plan and define their role in management of the dead during disasters and migration.



15 staff members of the Directorate of Cultural Affairs handling the washing and preparation area for Kabul Municipality cemeteries were trained in safe handling of the dead. Essential Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and other materials were also donated to improve workflow and enhance safety of Kabul Municipality cemetery staff.



45 body bags were donated to Ghazni Forensic Medicine Department.



## ASSISTANCE TO COMMUNITIES



850 households (6,800 people) earned income through cash-for-work projects in Uruzgan, Paktika, Kunar and Kunduz provinces. The communities' irrigation infrastructure was also restored and flood prevention measures were implemented to protect farmland.



3,000 Over 3,000 people received improved electricity supply through the donation of electrical equipment to Da Afghanistan Breshna Sherkat (DABS) to improve access to electricity for villages in Kunduz Province.



\$ 181 households (1,641 people) who suffered violence or were victims of incidents of weapon contamination such as unexploded ordnances received assistance to cope with the financial consequences on them.



423,000 More than 423,000 people living in urban areas received access to clean drinking water owing to revamped infrastructure and installation of new water meters provided by the ICRC.



\$ 195 households (1,560 people) received cash grants as part of a kitchen garden project for pregnant and lactating women in Mazar-i-Sharif.



65,000 Over 65,000 people living in rural areas gained access to clean drinking water owing to the repair of 466 hand pumps in Uruzgan and Zabul provinces.



300 households (2,400 people) received the final round of cash assistance as part of a project to support pregnant and lactating women in Mazar-i-Sharif.



Community workers in Zakhil, Kunduz, restoring irrigation canals and building culverts, enhancing water access for around 5,000 households.

## PARTNERING WITH THE ARCS

### DONATIONS TO THE ARCS



Emergency financial support of AFG 16 million was provided to ARCS headquarters for its response to returning Afghan migrants.



**13** laptops were provided to ARCS staff members as part of institutional support.



**1,250** ARCS coat badges, **1,600** pens branded with ARCS logo, and **2,000** copies of IHL principles were produced and donated to ARCS.



Rub Hall was donated to support ARCS response and logistics.



**300** Financial assistance was provided to cover the salaries of **173** employees, the operating costs of **42** offices and small renovation projects.



HF/VHF radio equipment were donated to ARCS headquarters radio rooms.

An ARCS healthcare worker examining a patient in ARCS clinic in Kabul.



### CAPACITY-BUILDING

**84**

staff joined three guards' training programmes at two regional offices.

**6,907**

standard ARCS uniforms, **5,000** ARCS flags of various sizes, and **30,000** ARCS stickers of different sizes were produced with the support of SAF for ARCS.

**71**

staff and volunteers participated in three SAF sensitization workshops.

**15**

safety and security staff were trained in security risk management, while **84** staff joined workshops on personnel security and safety at two regional offices.

**300**

volunteers participated in six volunteering and SAF workshops.

**85**

volunteers and staff members received training in Safer Access Framework (SAF) to enhance their field access, security and acceptance.

**95**

staff and volunteers participated in five ICRC-ARCS induction workshops.

**66**

disaster management staff and volunteers joined three courses focusing on needs assessment, beneficiary targeting and distribution management.



**37**

staff members participated in a three-day security risk management training at the ARCS headquarters.

**3**

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

**55**

ARCS staff attended Operations Coordination Meetings conducted across seven ARCS regional offices.

**11**

security assessments were conducted by seven ARCS Regional Security Officers across seven ARCS regions.

**64**

ARCS communications staff members from field and headquarters were trained in two workshops.

**132**

volunteers and staff members received training in Health care in Danger (HCiD) workshops.

**2**

radio rooms were set up in West Herat Province and North-east Badakhshan Province and five radio rooms (in Kunduz, Mazar, Jalalabad, Herat and Badakhshan) were furnished with ICRC's support.



An ARCS volunteer organized a Risk Awareness and Safe Behavior session for children in Kunduz province.



## ADDRESSING WEAPON CONTAMINATION

**7**

risk awareness and safer behaviour (RASB) sessions were conducted, reaching **119** people.

**8**

staff members were trained in risk awareness and safer behaviour (RASB), including one ARCS staff from the west, three ICRC staff from the north, three from the west and one from the south.

**316**

ARCS staff members and **400** ICRC staff members received staff safety training.

**2**

RASB radio campaigns were launched across **14** provinces, with an estimated reach of eight million people.



# PROMOTING BASIC HUMANITARIAN RULES AND PRINCIPLES



274

Ministry of Interior (MoI) officials joined sessions on ICRC activities and the use of force and firearms by law enforcement officials.



# OPERATIONAL COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



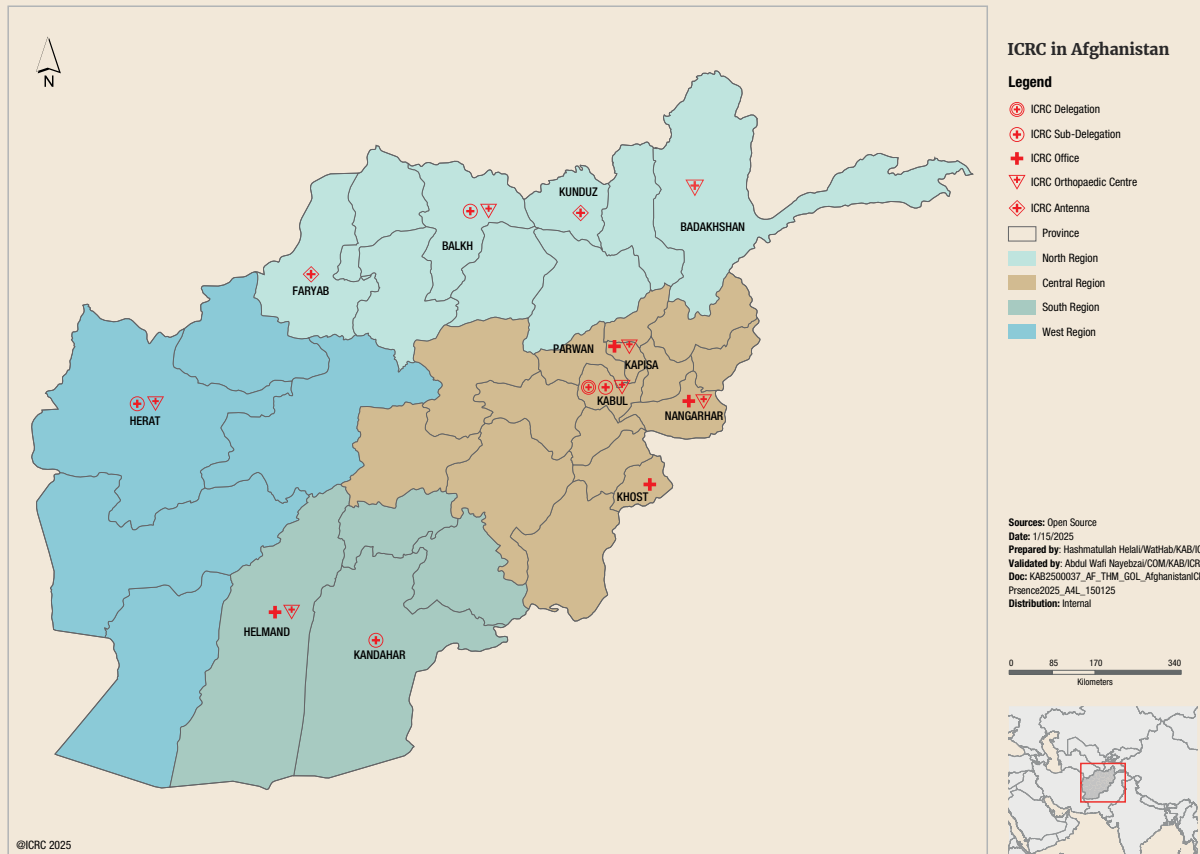
1,905

community leaders and members attended 94 awareness sessions on the ICRC, Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and its activities in the country and community engagement.



900

religious and community leaders and members and ICRC contacts attended 32 Iftar gatherings held in various ICRC offices across the country during the month of Ramadan.



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