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AFGHANISTAN OPERATIONAL FACTS & FIGURES



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PHYSICAL REHABILITATION SERVICES


102,226

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


183,620

physiotherapy sessions were held


8,618

new patients were registered, including **544** people who had their limbs amputated


262

patients were granted microcredit loans


15,236

prostheses and orthoses were manufactured


2,522

home visits were made to help **2,534** patients


143

patients were given vocational training


1

physical rehabilitation centre with a capacity of **60** beds was constructed in Lashkar Gah

SUPPORTING HEALTH CARE



581,548 patients, mostly women and children, received primary health care at **47** health facilities of the Afghan Red Crescent Society (ARCS) supported by the ICRC



155,135 doses of routine vaccinations were administered at **46** ARCS-supported health facilities



5,352 malnourished children benefited from the ARCS nutrition programme supported by the ICRC in **46** basic healthcare clinics



574 patients benefited from mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) services at primary-health-care centres in Kandahar and Lashkar Gah



252 bottles of medicated lotion were donated to Kunduz Provincial Public Health Directorate to manage scabies outbreak in the province



33 hospitals with a capacity of up to **7,057** beds, serving **26 million** people, were supported through the payment of salaries to about 10,900 health workers and by covering the running cost of the hospitals



136,265 babies were delivered in the **33** ICRC-supported hospitals



4,018,552 patients benefited from medical care - Out Patient Department (OPD) and In Patient Department (IPD) - at the **33** ICRC-supported hospitals



4,165 students enrolled in different technical training programmes at the **9** Ghazanfar Health Institutes of Science supported by the ICRC. As many as **171** students, mainly nurses and midwives, graduated.



15 staff of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs were trained at **1** basic first-aid training session in Kabul and **15** first-aid kits were handed over to them



341 medical emergency kits were donated to hospitals and primary-health-care centres that treat victims of mass casualty incidents, helping **595** wounded people



9 public and ARCS primary-health-care centres were renovated, providing patients with better access to the OPD



Mirwais Regional Hospital in Kandahar, with a capacity of **620** beds, was connected to a dedicated emergency power line of the public grid to improve its working condition and provide a stable electricity supply



Farah Provincial Hospital with a capacity of **120** beds was supported by an improved safe water supply system



A woman feeds her malnourished grandchild at the paediatric unit of Mirwais Hospital in Kandahar.



Hygiene products and winter items such as blankets being distributed at Herat Provincial Prison.



IMPROVING CONDITIONS OF DETENTION

14

detention visits were made to **11** places of detention holding **9,626** detainees

Up to **12,000** detainees in **11** prisons across the country received monthly food rations to cover three daily meals. Furthermore, food chain training sessions were held for focal points of the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) for all **11** prisons in Kabul, Mazar-i-Sharif, Kandahar and Herat regions to improve food chain management

70

malnourished detainees in Herat Provincial Prison received additional food rations and daily treatment to improve their condition

10,717

detainees in **13** places of detention benefited from improved living conditions through the provision of recreational/sports equipment and hygiene items besides upgraded infrastructure

Utensils such as plates, cups, ladles, spoons, etc., were distributed in **11** prisons to ensure equal and hygienic distribution of meals to the detainees

Up to **4,766** detainees in Pul-i-Charkhi central prison and Nangarhar Provincial Prison benefited from good quality bread through the provision of wheat flour and other ingredients to the prisons' bakeries. Additionally, **18** detainees received vocational training in bread making

6,422

detainees benefited from the re-establishment of Hygiene and Maintenance Committees and the provision of materials for operation and maintenance in **6** places of detention

2,100

detainees in Pul-i-Charkhi and Tawqif detention centres received blankets, bedsheets and pillows to improve their living conditions

8

joint monitoring visits of MoPH and Office of Prisoners Administration (OPA) were organized and facilitated to Herat, Farah, Helmand, Kandahar, Khost, Ghazni, Nangarhar and Balkh provincial prisons

306

malnourished detainees benefited from treatment in Herat under the nutritional pilot project, of which **110** suffered from moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) and **196** suffered from severe acute malnutrition (SAM). Ready-to-Use Therapeutic Food (RUTF) is provided as a daily treatment to improve nutrition and depending on the overall health condition of the detainee, appropriate medical treatment will be provided.

ICRC equipped the clinic in the female section of Kandahar Sarpoza Provincial Prison to provide health services for female detainees

33,017

consultations were provided to **5,075** detainees in Herat and Sarpoza Provincial Prisons as part of the prison health services package. We give financial, logistical and technical support to the MoPH for implementing the service

Physical rehabilitation services were provided to detainees with disabilities in the prisons of Kabul, Parwan, Herat, Jalalabad, Mazar-i-Sharif, Badakhshan and Lashkar Gah

741

detainees and juveniles benefited from the ICRC-supported response to scabies outbreak at Balkh Provincial Prison and Kabul Juvenile Rehabilitation Centre

13

provincial working groups and prison health committees supported by the ICRC are now integrated in the MoPH system and are regularly supervising the provision of prison health services.



Marzia (name changed) from Ghazni found her loved ones through our Restoring Family Links programme.

PROTECTION OF FAMILY LINKS



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



2 video teleconference calls were facilitated, and **24** Red Cross messages (containing brief family news) were exchanged between detainees held at the Guantanamo Bay Internment Facility and their families in Afghanistan



60 Red Cross messages and **19** Salamats (oral “safe and well” messages) were exchanged between detainees and their families and **95** Red Cross messages were collected from or distributed to civilians



1 person was put in contact with his family through the Trace the Face online platform



1,400 people contacted the ICRC in Afghanistan to enquire about their loved ones



PROTECTION OF CIVILIAN POPULATION

The ICRC continued to monitor the humanitarian situation and, whenever necessary, raised concerns with weapon bearers confidentially and bilaterally to ensure they make changes to their behaviour to prevent any abuse of people's rights.



DIGNIFIED MANAGEMENT OF THE DEAD

In the framework of the ICRC's Human Remains Transfer Programme (H RTP), the bodies of **6** fighters/civilians were retrieved, transferred, and returned to their families with the support of the Afghan Red Crescent Society

A one-day H RTP training session was conducted for **20** ARCS H RTP staff and volunteers

A five-day forensic specialization training programme was conducted for **25** forensic practitioners from Herat, Farah, Badghis and Ghor forensic medicine departments

A three-day forensic sensitization session was conducted for **25** members of Herat law enforcement department

A round-table meeting was held with military and provincial authorities concerned of Parwan province on the management of fighters' dead bodies

A total of **199** forensic practitioners from **28** departments were provided with salary support through a Memorandum of Understanding with the MoPH from January to June 2023

33 rounds of donations of personal protective equipment (PPE) items, body bags, disinfectants and office consumables were organized for **6** ARCS regional offices, Kabul Medico-Legal Directorate (MLD) and **26** provincial forensic medicine departments across the country

IT equipment and other items were donated to Kabul Medico-Legal Directorate and Khost, Helmand and Parwan forensic medicine departments

1 Freezer of the morgue in Lashkar Gah Bost Hospital with a capacity of **12** trays was repaired.



A hand pump repaired by the ICRC to provide safe drinking water to Khurmaleq community in Farah.

ASSISTANCE TO COMMUNITIES



3,525 households (**28,200** people) received multipurpose cash assistance in Ghazni, Lashkar Gah, Herat and Panjshir to meet their basic needs



201 households (**1,931** people) who suffered when humanitarian law was broken and/or as the result of weapon contamination received assistance to cope with the financial impact on them



393 households (**3,144** people) earned income through the implementation of a cash-for-work project in Alinegar and the community's irrigation canals were restored



468 pregnant and lactating women received nutrition awareness through community relays which also screened for cases of malnutrition and referred them to health services. Monthly cash assistance helped the women to buy a variety of nutritious food and prevent malnutrition.



434,040 people received improved electricity supply through the provision of **75,000** litres of fuel, **3** diesel generators, electrical equipment and transformers to Da Afghanistan Breshna Sherkat (DABS)



171,138 people living in urban areas received access to safe drinking water owing to revamped infrastructure and water networks and from the provision of generators, equipment and spare parts



187,274 people living in rural areas gained access to safe drinking water from **445** repaired hand pumps, **3** rural-scale water networks and **219** bio-sand filters



PARTNERING WITH AFGHAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY

40 participants from all branches of ARCS of the north and north-east region and **3** from the ICRC completed a relief course to strengthen their capacities in project management and implementation of relief response

1,000 households (**8,000** people) received multipurpose cash assistance to meet their basic needs through a joint project in Herat

17 ARCS basic health centres were supported with Ready-to-Use Therapeutic Food (RUTF) through the ARCS headquarters to improve patients' nutrition

14 ARCS Basic Health Centres were supplied with anthropometric materials

60 ARCS medical or BHC staff received various technical training sessions on Health Care in Danger (HCiD), Expanded Programme on Immunization refresher course, Mother and Child Health and Health Management Information System

49 ARCS clinical and management staff joined awareness sessions on HCiD

25 technical meetings with ARCS BHC staff and Regional Health Officers were organized in 7 regions

7 ARCS basic health centres benefited from repairs and renovation

67 ARCS staff and volunteers received training on Safer Access Framework

ARCS received financial assistance to cover the salaries of **105** employees (including **50** staff from basic health centres), the operating costs of **42** offices and small rehabilitation projects. In addition, **16** Land Cruisers and four laptops were supplied

40 ARCS trainers from the headquarters, regional offices and provincial branches joined a workshop for training of trainers on ARCS induction

3,200 Safer Access Framework booklets in Pashto, Dari and English were provided as along with more than **3,000** ARCS flags and sticker logos

26 ARCS staff and volunteers from the provincial branches joined ARCS induction training sessions

7 security assessments of the regional offices and branches were conducted for ARCS safety and security staff

7 orientation workshops on ARCS-ICRC partnership were conducted for 105 ARCS staff

ADDRESSING WEAPON CONTAMINATION



6 ICRC participants and **4** ARCS staff members received a risk awareness and safe behaviour (RASB) and staff safety refresher ToT training.



157 ARCS staff members received staff safety training



200 reports of weapon contamination incidents were collected

PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW



Technical legal advice was provided to ARCS leadership and legal adviser on a new law regulating the emblem and status of the National Society



658 staff members from the Ministry of Interior (MoI) attended sessions on international human rights law, ICRC and the use of force

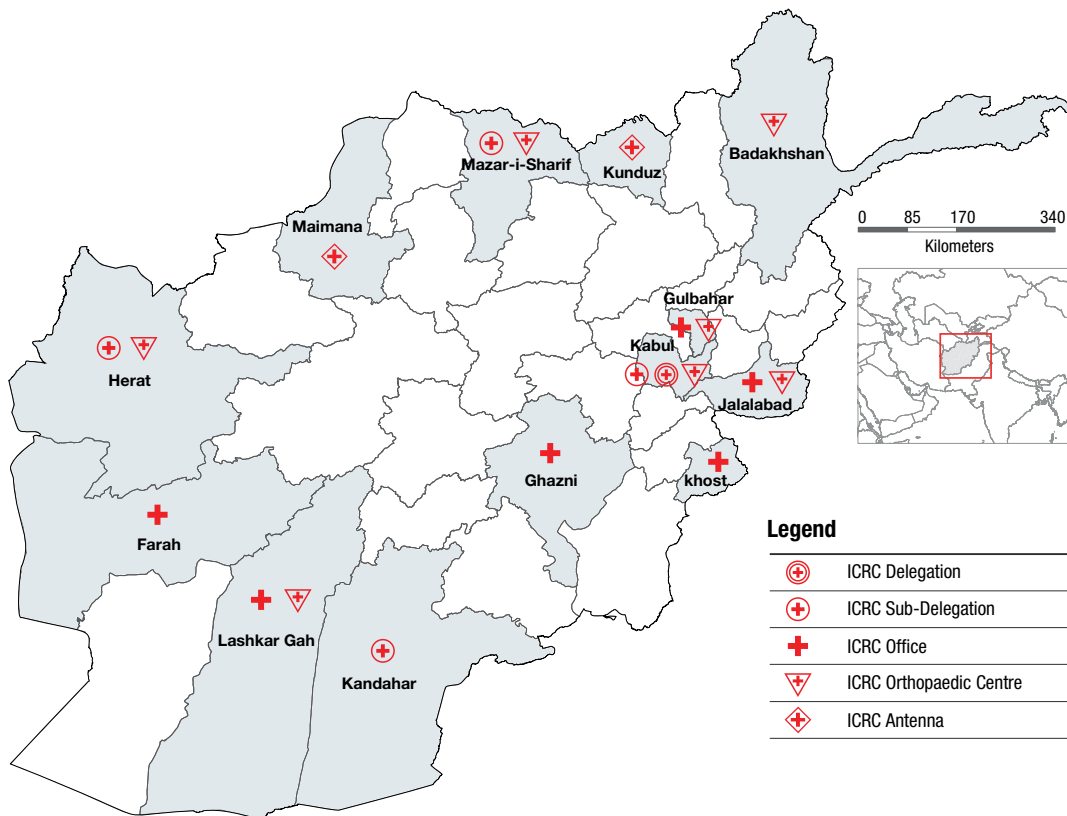
OPERATIONAL COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



36 operational communication and community engagement sessions were held. These were attended by **1,280** community leaders as well as community members across Afghanistan



24 Iftar gatherings were held in different ICRC field offices across the country during the holy month of Ramadan, with **764** religious and community leaders and ICRC contacts joining



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