



# UNFPA RESPONSE IN YEMEN

## Monthly Situation Report #01 – February 2016



"I lost my husband four months ago because of the war. I come here to find medication for my bleeding. I need to live not for myself but for my fatherless children", says a 45 year woman with six children, while visiting this UNFPA supported mobile clinic in Taizz.

### Situation Overview

The scale and scope of humanitarian needs remains staggering with **21.2 million people needing some form of humanitarian assistance**. This is equal to nearly 80 percent of the population. As February, 18,685 Yemeni's have arrived in Djibouti and 6,472 have been registered as refugees.

On 18 February 2016, the humanitarian community in Yemen launched an appeal for **US\$1.8 billion** under the 2016 Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan to provide critical and life-saving assistance to **13.6 million people** who have been affected by the conflict across the country. UNFPA has contributed through the health and protection clusters of the Plan.

**Peace talks** facilitated by the UN Special to Yemen, which commenced in December 2015 failed to produce a deal to end the conflict and have not resumed to date.

### Highlights of UNFPA Response

- In February, **mobile teams** providing reproductive health and family planning services were doubled to 2 mobile teams in targeted governorates of Amram, Saada, Hajjah, Ibb, Taizz, Al-Dhalea and Lahjj, which have been most affected by the conflict.
- Nearly 2,000 (1,957), women received **family planning services**, 1,435 pregnant women received ante-natal care and 111 women were assisted during delivery and post-natal care. In addition, daily primary health care services benefited 11,653 women, men and children.
- Eight thousand **dignity kits** were procured and prepositioned in targeted governorates of Taiz, Ibb and Al-Mahweet.
- An **assessment of dignity kits** among 20,000 beneficiaries in 19 governorates was conducted, which highlighted the huge need for these kits, and the requirements to include first aid items and winter clothes for colder areas.
- A total of 574 beneficiaries reached with **GBV services** in Feb. with highest being for psychosocial support services (412) followed by health services (141).

### Highlights on Resource Mobilization

- As part of the 2016 Yemen Humanitarian Response Plan, UNFPA has appealed for **\$15.6 million** in 2016.
- The Government of Japan donated **\$1.5 million** for the prevention and response to gender-based violence in February.
- The Government of Germany contributed **\$1 million** towards reproductive health services.

### Challenges

- Although all procured RH kits were imported to Yemen, UNFPA continues to face significant delays in receiving supplies from the logistics hub in Djibouti.
- Access to enclaved areas is disrupting the provision of much needed lifesaving humanitarian assistance, particularly for pregnant women. However, this situation is likely to improve in the coming months with pro-government forces re-taking key areas.
- The allocation of slots for international staff continues to be a critical issue for effective response to the crisis.

## Key Figures

**21.2 million**

People in need

**13.6 million**

People targeted for lifesaving interventions

**3.4 million**

Women of girls of reproductive age

**400,800**

Pregnant Women

**454,240**

Live births per year

**90,848**

Pregnancies that can end in miscarriages and unsafe abortions in the next 12 months

**68,000**

Women of reproductive age at risk of sexual violence including rape