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# YEMEN EMERGENCY

2017 EMERGENCY RESPONSE REPORT

## SANA'A CITY, YEMEN

Winter Emergency kits were distributed to the most urgently in-need, filling gaps and also complementing items provided by other agencies and include winter clothes, food items, blankets, cooked meals and bread, and gas cylinders for cooking. We distributed 300 winter clothes packs and 400 blankets, 1,147 food parcels and 304 gas cylinders to facilitate cooking. This increased both food security as well as the beneficiaries' resilience against winter.



This project benefitted the poor and vulnerable affected by the ongoing conflict in Yemen. The approx. number of those who benefitted was 10,250 persons.

<b>Direct beneficiaries:</b> (best estimate)			
Children	6,656	Elderly people	1,227
Women	1,947	Refugees	0
Men	1,647	Orphans	225
<b>Total:</b>			<b>10,250</b>

The project began by evaluating the conditions of ultra-poor households and internally displaced peoples. The selection of winter kit items was based on joint planning and discussion with the relevant stakeholders such as the NGO community, the Shelter Cluster, local residents and community leaders. The items distributed reflect the most urgent needs of beneficiaries, filling gaps and also complementing items provided by other agencies. The overall aim of the project was to distribute 300 packs of winter clothes for student orphans and their mothers, 400 food parcels for poor families, 400 blankets for IDPs and poor families,

1,147 cooked meals and bread for ultra-poor families and 357 cooking gas cylinders for poor families.

This winter was the harshest winter seen in the country in 30 years with temperatures reaching -5°C. A portion of the overall blankets along with a hot breakfast with milk was distributed to homeless individuals sleeping under bridges and near markets. The remaining blankets were delivered to IDPs and the poorest of families.



150 poor families were selected to receive a daily cooked lunch. These families were selected based on rapid survey to identify those with no source of income and no opportunity to start a business such as orphans, the elderly and the disabled. Meals were distributed using a voucher system: vouchers were distributed each day before noon so beneficiaries could attend three distribution points to access lunch for their families. This activity contributed to improving food security for these families.



Yemen's complex war has had a devastating impact on its citizens. Following over 30 months of conflict, more than 15,000 people have died, three million have been displaced, and 21.1 million people need some form of humanitarian assistance. The dire humanitarian situation facing Yemenis has compounded the endemic poverty and malnutrition levels witnessed before the war. At this time, Yemen was already the Arab world's poorest country, with 43% of the population living in poverty.