

UNICEF Pakistan Update

Displacement in KP/FATA: Needs and Response

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Tasleem, 18 years old, sits with his daughter Sania in their tent in Jalozai camp, with a UNICEF family hygiene kit in the background. Tasleem volunteers at the camp, by helping to set up new tents.

Situation Overview

On-going security operations in the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) have caused further displacement across the region in 2012. According to UNHCR figures as of 1 November 2012, the total displaced population in KP and FATA now stands at 167,140 families (774,594 individuals; see Figure 1 on the next page for geographical representation.) Of the displaced, approximately 410,500 (over 50%) are children. According to UNHCR and the Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA), no new displacement was recorded in the month of November.

More than 411,000 people, mostly from Khyber Agency, have been displaced within KP and FATA since January 2012, yet only 49,000 people have returned to their homes in Bajaur, Kurram, Mohmand, South Waziristan and Orakzai agencies in FATA. New displacement is expected from South Waziristan before the end of this year.

The scope of support for the internally displaced population (IDPs) includes: reception and protection of new IDPs; water, sanitation and hygiene, maternal and child health and nutrition, and education and protection services. The support also includes managing returns and enabling re-settling populations inside FATA to re-establish their livelihoods and meet basic needs.

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OVERVIEW

Since July 2008, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) and the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) have experienced significant population movement as a result of government operations against non-state armed groups as well as sectarian violence. The situation remains volatile.

Three IDP camps are operational: Jalozai and Togh Sarai in KP and New Durrani in Kurram agency, FATA. Most of the IDPs – 89% - are living in host communities.

UNICEF KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- In 2012, 36,709 women and 11,174 children under the age of five provided with health services.
- In 2012, 122,378 children and 52,437 pregnant and lactating women screened for acute malnutrition.
- 159,782 displaced persons provided safe drinking water.
- 8,771 children (50% girls) enrolled in 44 UNICEF education centers.
- 28,799 children (41% girls) access 81 Protective Learning and Community Emergency Services (PLaCES) and Child Protection Centres in camps and host communities in KP/FATA.

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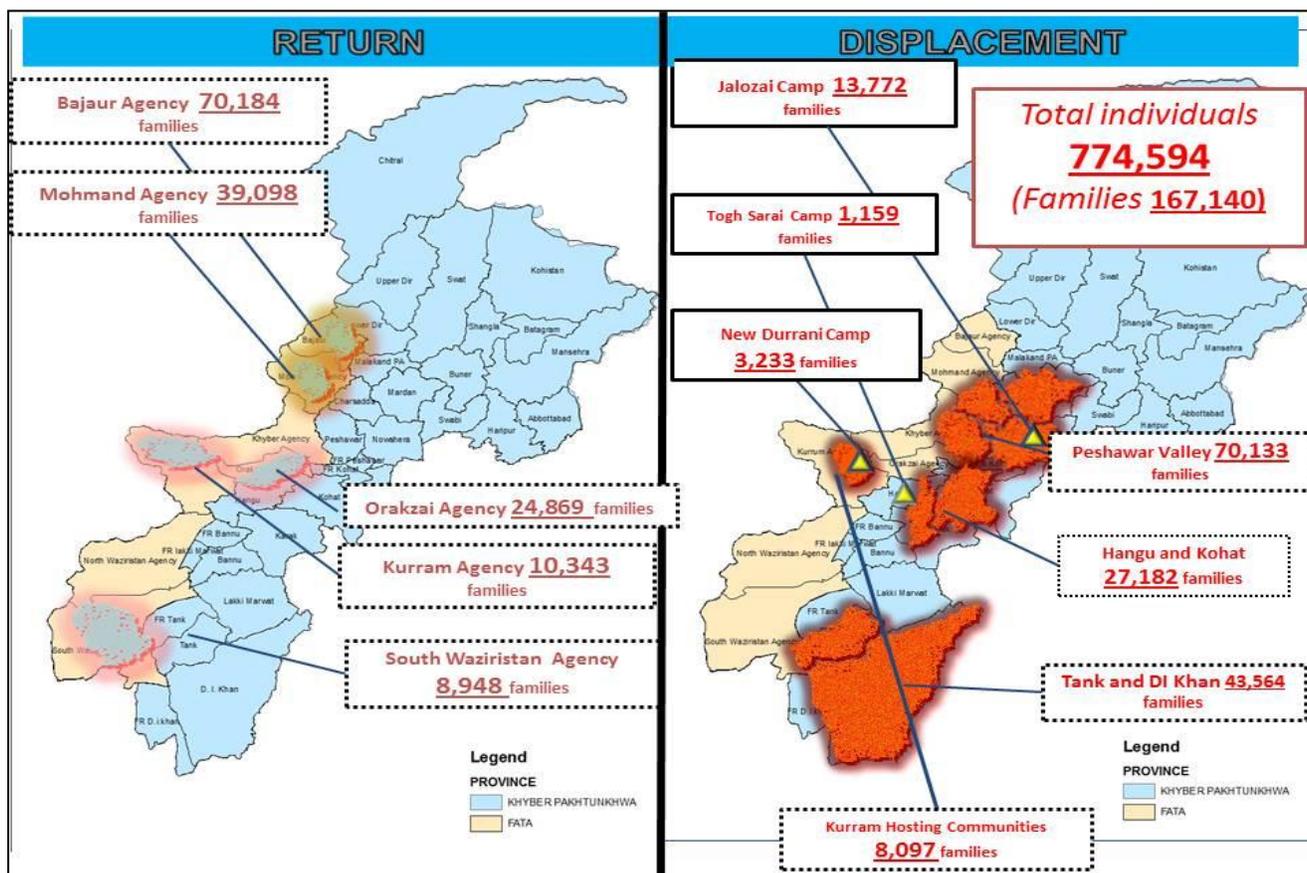
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Increased response needed in displacement and return areas

89% of the displaced families are staying in already overburdened host communities. Due to severe funding shortages and difficulty in accessing the dispersed population, their critical needs remain largely unmet. UNICEF and other humanitarian agencies are concerned with the lack of access to safe drinking water, sanitation, nutrition and health care, as well as disrupted schooling and protection issues facing the displaced families. The humanitarian community has provided generous support to relief activities in KP and FATA in 2012, however, more support is needed to continue to provide access to life-saving services, and ensure children's rights to health, education, equality and protection. With the slow rate of returns, humanitarian needs are expected to persist in 2013.

The displacement offers an opportunity to reach previously unreached children and women with services such as immunization, nutrition support and education, hygiene promotion, education and protective services. Scaling-up off-camp response to the IDPs is critical, as well as continued support to the increasing number of families returning to areas of origin in FATA, encountering damaged or destroyed infrastructure and livelihoods.

Figure 1. Overview of returns to date and the displacement as at 1 November 2012.



UNICEF RESPONSE

UNICEF is providing life-saving humanitarian assistance in Water, Sanitation, Hygiene, Health (including polio eradication), Nutrition, Education and Child Protection to the affected population in camps and host communities in KP and FATA, and areas of return.

Health

UNICEF's life-saving maternal and child health activities in New Durrani camp, Kurram Agency have ceased due to lack of funding and will recommence only if additional funding is received. The exception is some ongoing, small scale immunization support and polio eradication activities.

Maternal and child health services continue in Jalozai and Togh Sarai camps:

- In 2012, 50,297 patients, including 36,709 women and 11,174 children under the age of five, have been provided with outpatient consultation and curative services, including antenatal, postnatal and delivery assistance. Of these, 2,826 women and 890 children were reached in the past three weeks.
- In 2012, 85,055 people were reached through 11,348 health education sessions. Of these, 5,815 people (51% female) were reached in the past three weeks.
- In 2012, 16,679 women were given tetanus vaccinations, and 3,514 children under the age of five received Penta-III vaccinations.
- In FATA, UNICEF supports government vaccination services in 12 health facilities and in New Durrani camp (Kurram). In 2012, 11,955 children were reached with polio vaccinations, 3,861 children BCG vaccinations, 5,631 children with measles vaccinations, 3,136 children with Penta-3 vaccinations, and 3,063 pregnant and lactating women with tetanus vaccinations.

Nutrition

UNICEF has sufficient funding to provide nutrition services to a portion of the target IDP children and women who are residing in host communities until mid-2013. Nutrition services in areas of return have ceased due to insufficient funds. Unavailability of nutrition services will have life-threatening consequences for the most vulnerable children.

- Despite funding constraints, UNICEF's outreach through 31 nutrition centres, five in IDP camps

and 26 off-camp sites in KP/FATA includes the following:

- In 2012, 122,378 children (6-59 months) and 52,437 pregnant and lactating women have been screened for acute malnutrition; with 11,676 children and 4,033 women screened over the past three weeks.
- Of the screened, 9,849 children (56% girls) and 5,454 pregnant and lactating women suffering from moderate acute malnutrition have been registered in WFP Supplementary Feeding Programmes (SFP).
- 3,162 children (61% girls) suffering from severe acute malnutrition have been enrolled in UNICEF Outpatient Therapeutic Feeding Programmes (OTPs) and UNICEF/WHO Stabilization Centres. The overall cure rate at OTP sites is 91% and 95% at SFPs.
- In 2012, 81,977 mothers/caregivers of children under the age of five and pregnant and lactating women in camps, host communities and return areas were reached with information on infant and young child feeding, hygiene and community management of acute malnutrition; with 14,727 reached in the past three weeks.



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A young girl stands next to latrine in Jalozai camp, one of many latrines constructed by UNICEF partners in the camp.

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

UNICEF is currently providing WASH services in three camps with limited support to IDPs residing in host communities and to returnees in areas of origin. UNICEF is the only provider of WASH services in Togh Sarai and New Durrani camps, and one of two providers in Jalozai camp. The current available funding will allow for WASH support in camps only until end year 2012.

- 34,027 people are receiving safe drinking water through water trucking.

- 125,755 people are receiving safe drinking water through the installation or restoration of water schemes.
- Since January 2012, 899,786 people (including returnees) have benefitted from UNICEF-supported WASH items including hygiene kits, plastic buckets, and jerry cans at all three camps. Distribution will resume once new stock is received depending on availability of funds.
- 90,094 people (55% female) have access to temporary latrines and bathing places.
- 290,502 people (55% female) have listened to hygiene messages in 2012.
- 7,781 school children are accessing WASH facilities in 35 schools.
- 125,855 people have benefited from rehabilitation of water schemes in areas of return and host communities.
- To date, in FATA, 73,086 individuals in host and returnee areas have been provided access to safe drinking water through installation of submersible pumps and hand pumps in Kurram Agency.

Education

- 8,771 children (50% girls) are enrolled and benefiting from education services in 44 UNICEF camp schools in Jalozai, Togh Sarai and New Durrani camps; an addition of 1,641 children enrolled in an additional 18 camp schools established over the past three weeks. Parent-Teacher Councils in each camp school are active.
- Over the past three weeks, UNICEF partners distributed 10,000 school bags and stationery items to UNICEF camp schools in Jalozai camp.
- UNICEF and partners continue to facilitate enrollment of displaced and returnee children in 90 selected government schools in host communities and return areas in FATA.

Child Protection

- Currently, 18,409 children (43% girls) are accessing 53 Protective Learning and Community Emergency Services (PLaCES) and Child Protection Centres in camps and host communities in KP. This is an addition of 4,251 children reached in the past three weeks with new funding received from the Government of Denmark and the Australian National Committee for UNICEF.
- In FATA, 10,390 vulnerable children and 2,378 women have been provided with protective

services and linked with required services through 20 Child Protection Centres and 8 PLaCES.

- In FATA, in 2012, UNICEF's partners have reached 10,682 children and 6,802 caregivers with mine risk education.
- In FATA, members of 80 community-based Child Protection Committees have received training on child rights, child protection issues, identification, documentation, and reporting of child protection issues, and establishing and strengthening the referral system. To date, 5,811 vulnerable children have been linked with different services through referral systems.



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Mariyum, 10 years old, reads from the blackboard in a UNICEF supported school in Jalozai camp.

Funding

UNICEF is currently **46% funded** for humanitarian activities in KP/FATA, further funding is needed to sustain and increase humanitarian assistance for displaced and vulnerable children and women living in host communities and camps. UNICEF's total needs for the complex emergency for 2012 are US\$ 35.2 million. UNICEF has received US\$ 16.2 million in support of the affected children and women in KP/FATA.

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