

GIZ Yemen

Technical Support during Conflict

Yemen in Conflict	
Population	25,200,000
Number of Internally Displaced People	2,300,000
Population in Need of Humanitarian Aid Including Access to Safe Drinking Water and Basic Sanitation	21,000,000

Source: OCHA (<http://reliefweb.int/country/yem>)

Long-term Cooperation

Yemen, located at the southern tip of the Arabian Peninsula, is home to some 25 million people, half of them younger than 18 years. As Yemen is the poorest Arab country, Germany has supported its population for more than four decades. This is highly appreciated by the Yemeni people.



Yemen's political and economic development has become increasingly fragile, and recently violent conflicts have exacerbated the situation. As a result, large parts of the population face dramatic shortages of water, food and medicine. According to latest UN figures, more than 80% of the population lack access to basic surviving services.

Improving the Situation for the Yemeni Population in Extreme Conditions

GIZ is supporting the local government and grass-roots communities in key sectors to manage the current emergency situation whilst adopting a post-conflict perspective. By increasing the resilience of service providers and the local private sector, GIZ is contributing to the ongoing international efforts to maintain the provision of basic services to the Yemeni population living under harsh and conflict-affected conditions.

Water and Environment, Health, Education and Food Security

With GIZ support to the service providers, at least 500,000 people, including internally displaced persons and marginalised groups, have benefited from access to basic drinking water supply and improved sanitation conditions.

With GIZ support, 40 health facilities serving a population of at least 300,000 continue to provide essential health services for women such as antenatal and post-natal care and family planning. Until to date, support entails provision of medical equipment and supplies, trainings for over 150 health personnel, repair of infrastructure and sanitation of health facilities. At least 25 communities are supported through trainings of volunteers in first aid.

Yemeni children get a chance to continue their education with GIZ support. More than 50,000 students attended the compensational learning programs in Sana'a and almost 80,000 participated in the final exams of 2015. Among them were over 3,000 displaced students from other governorates.



L. to r.: Child drinking from a broken water pipe. Power generator provided by GIZ to pump clean drinking water.



L. to r.: Students in Al-Chamsa School, Old City of Sana'a, participating in Compensational Learning Programme. Distribution of medical equipment to Private Midwife Clinics in Hajjah Governorate.

400 schools will receive recreational kits, and their staff will be trained in providing psycho-social support. The teacher training materials that have been developed with technical advice from GIZ will be used nation-wide.

On Socotra Island, a poor rural area with outstanding ecosystems, GIZ supports village communities to rehabilitate millet farming terraces. So far, six villages, housing 150 families, have generated an additional US\$ 255 through harvest sales and cash for work. Replication by other villages has been initiated.

GIZ supports households vulnerable to food insecurity and malnutrition. This program especially targets about 125,000 women at reproductive age and 90,000 young children in the governorates of Ibb, Hajjah and Lahj to obtain better access to food products in quantity, quality and diversity.

Good Governance

Civil society organizations are supported in developing tailor-made aid projects for local levels. They have also been enabled to conduct conflict management trainings and anti-violence campaigns. So far, more than 50 young men and women have been trained in Sana'a, Marib and Sayun.

Private Sector and Employment

In Yemen, up to 10 family members depend on one income. Thus, GIZ supports 200 businesses in Sana'a and Aden to survive the crisis, and thereby to secure employment.

In Hodeidah, 150 farmers increase production of much needed wheat while reducing water and diesel usage. 180 people are undertaking training in installation and repair of solar systems. Business women from the basketry sector are being supported to export their goods, even in times of crisis. This provides income to 300 poor women and their families, mostly in rural areas.

Emergency measures are also being implemented, such as provision of cash for work for another 300 persons, e.g. garbage collection. Young people have also been trained as qualified Rescue and Emergency Coordinators.

In cooperation with the Arab Gulf Programme for Development 540 women have been trained in financial literacy and business development, thus helping them to access financial products and increase their resilience to face the crisis.

Short-term and Long-term Goals

GIZ provides emergency assistance through rapid response interventions for the Yemeni people affected by conflict whilst not compromising its global core development goal for post conflict recovery and long-term sustainable development.

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