



### Global Humanitarian Overview 2020<sup>1</sup>

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The Global Humanitarian Overview 2020 published on 4 December 2019 announced funding requirements of \$28.8 billion to assist 108.8 million of the 167.6 million people in need in 53 countries. By the end of February, requirements had reached \$28.7 billion to assist 110 million of the 168.8 million people in need, due to the addition of the Djibouti Flash Appeal in January, and the finalization of the needs and requirements in various response plans in February.

The revised [Northwest Syria Humanitarian Readiness and Response Plan for \\$500 million issued in February](#) focuses on critical gaps in people's humanitarian needs and funding needs related to the increased hostilities in northwest Syria that began in December 2019, as projected until end-July 2020. The activities outlined in the plan aim to assist 900,000 people who have been newly displaced since the beginning of December 2019 and 200,000 people who are at imminent risk of displacement. Overall, of the estimated 4 million people living in northwest Syria, over 2.8 million people, including displaced people and host communities, require humanitarian assistance due to ongoing hostilities and disruption of services. The full scope of the humanitarian response in northwest Syria will be detailed in the 2020 Syria Humanitarian Response Plan when it is issued.

**Desert locusts have rapidly spread across the Greater Horn of Africa in the worst infestation in decades.** Despite control efforts, eight countries in eastern Africa are now affected (Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, Uganda and the United Republic of Tanzania). Desert locusts pose an unprecedented risk to agriculture-based livelihoods and food security in an already fragile region where an estimated 20.2 million people are now facing severe acute food insecurity. With the main harvest season approaching, the locust invasion threatens to drive this figure even higher. The regional [Appeal for Rapid Response and Anticipatory Action in the Greater Horn of Africa \(January – December 2020\)](#) launched in January was revised upwards in mid-February from \$76 to \$138 million to support local control, safeguard livelihoods, and enhance coordination and preparedness. Funding is urgently required to control the upsurge and limit the threat of increased food insecurity.

**The 2020 Haiti Humanitarian Response Plan was launched in Port-au-Prince on 2 March** and presented at a briefing in New York on 4 March. The 2020 plan requires \$253 million to assist 2.1 million of the 4.6 million people in need. The Haiti HRP was one of the least funded in 2019 and the requirements have doubled between 2019 and 2020.

<sup>1</sup> For a complete explanation of the calculation of headline figures for 2019 and 2020, see page 20 of the GHO 2020.

<sup>2</sup> In the context of response plans covered by the GHO, the figure for people to receive aid is always a subset of the figure for the number of people in need, as it is the result of response analysis, taking into consideration humanitarian access, response capacity of partners, and responses planned/anticipated by humanitarian actors outside of the appeal.

**The Humanitarian Response Plan for the Democratic Republic of the Congo was finalized and launched in Kinshasa on 28 February.**

The plan requests \$1.82 billion to respond to the most urgent humanitarian needs of the 8.1 million people targeted to receive assistance. The 2020 response strategy aims to address five critical problems: population movements, food insecurity, malnutrition, epidemics and protection. In addition, the humanitarian community in DRC has strengthened the integration of gender-based violence prevention in response strategies for 2020.

**The 2020 Joint Response Plan (JRP) for the Rohingya Humanitarian Crisis in Bangladesh requesting \$877 million for 117 partners to respond to the critical needs of refugees and host communities in Cox's Bazar was launched in Geneva on 3 March.**

This plan builds upon the significant achievements of the refugee response to date and will strengthen protection for refugee women, men, girls and boys; deliver life-saving assistance to those in need; foster the well-being of affected Bangladeshi communities; and work towards sustainable solutions in Myanmar. The JRP will benefit 855,000 Rohingya refugees from Myanmar and over 444,000 vulnerable Bangladeshis in the communities hosting them.

**The 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV): Strategic Preparedness and Response Plan was published at the beginning of February**

to outline the resources required to support countries to prepare for and respond to the COVID-19 virus and present the plan to stop further transmission of 2019-nCoV and mitigate the impact of the outbreak in all countries. Urgent funding is required to take advantage of the current window of opportunity to contain the spread of the virus if countries take robust measures to detect cases early, isolate and care for patients, and trace contacts. On 2 March, the Central Emergency Response Fund released \$15 million from to WHO and UNICEF to support global efforts to contain the COVID-19 virus. The allocation will fund essential activities including monitoring the spread of the virus, investigating cases, and the operation of national laboratories, especially in countries with existing humanitarian needs.

**The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, in partnership with the United Nations, will convene a High-Level Pledging Event for the Humanitarian Crisis in Yemen in Riyadh on 2 April.**

Last year, more than \$2.62 billion of support to Yemen was announced at the High-Level Pledging Event held in Geneva to help UN agencies, NGOs, and the Red Cross and Red Crescent avert famine, reduce hunger levels, protect families, and treat cholera.

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## News from the pooled funds

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**In 2019, an external Global Evaluation of Country-based Pooled Funds** was conducted to improve accountability and learning, and to examine the results of the humanitarian action supported by CBPFs between 2015 and 2018. This is the first evaluation since CBPFs were standardized globally in 2015 with the launch of the CBPF Global Guidelines, and it constitutes an opportunity to contribute to greater transparency and accountability for all involved stakeholders. The evaluation found that CBPFs are fit for purpose to respond to the humanitarian crises of today – both in terms of funding neglected aspects of response, as well as providing life-saving assistance. They are also adaptable and able to accommodate changes in humanitarian priorities and program approaches, which contributes to advancing Grand Bargain priorities. The evaluation also highlighted several recommendations for CBPFs to maximize their impact while keeping a focus on the delivery of principled humanitarian assistance, and remaining a core element of the wider humanitarian aid architecture. For more details on the CBPF evaluation findings, see: [www.unocha.org/themes/evaluations-and-reviews/reports](http://www.unocha.org/themes/evaluations-and-reviews/reports)

**In February 2020, \$166.9 million was allocated<sup>3</sup> from the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF),** of which \$163.5 million from the Rapid Response (RR) window and \$3.4 million from the Underfunded Emergencies (UFE) window.

**Rapid Response (RR) allocations in February include \$100 million for time-critical interventions in Sudan;** \$30 million in response to new displacement in northwest Syria; \$14.9 million in response to drought and economic crisis in Zimbabwe; \$10 million to FAO to control the spread of desert locusts in Eastern Africa; and \$8.7 million in response to displacement and cholera in Cameroon.

**The CERF Underfunded Emergencies (UFE) round approved funding in February for Mauritania (drought) and Chad (multiple crises),** respectively, are part of the \$125 million released by the ERC under the CERF 2020 UFE Round I allocation for 11 underfunded emergencies. All grants are expected to be processed and the round closed by 31 March 2020.

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<sup>3</sup> Amount approved by the Emergency Relief Coordinator

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INTER-AGENCY APPEAL	APPEAL TYPE	FUNDING REQUIRED	FUNDING RECEIVED	FUNDING COVERAGE	PEOPLE IN NEED	PEOPLE TARGETED
Afghanistan	HRP	\$611.8 M	\$465.3 M	76.1%	6.3 M	4.5 M
Burundi	HRP	\$106.3 M	\$68.8 M	64.7%	1.8 M	712 k
Cameroon	HRP	\$298.9 M	\$129.5 M	43.3%	4.3 M	2.3 M
CAR	HRP	\$430.7 M	\$301.3 M	69.9%	2.9 M	1.7 M
Chad	HRP	\$476.6 M	\$277.9 M	58.3%	4.3 M	2.0 M
DRC	HRP	\$1.65 B	\$762.2 M	46.1%	12.8 M	9.0 M
Ethiopia <sup>5</sup>	HRP	\$771.5 M	\$707.9 M	91.8%	8.9 M	8.3 M
Haiti	HRP	\$126.2 M	\$45.1 M	35.7%	2.6 M	1.3 M
Iraq	HRP	\$701.2 M	\$653.6 M	93.2%	6.7 M	1.8 M
Libya	HRP	\$201.6 M	\$103.6 M	51.4%	823 k	552 k
Mali	HRP	\$324.0 M	\$167.2 M	51.6%	3.2 M	2.3 M
Mozambique	HRP	\$620.5 M	\$293.2 M	47.3%	2.6 M	2.4 M
Myanmar	HRP	\$214.4 M	\$182.9 M	85.3%	941 k	941 k
Niger	HRP	\$383.1 M	\$236.2 M	61.6%	2.3 M	1.6 M
Nigeria	HRP	\$847.7 M	\$566.0 M	66.8%	7.1 M	6.2 M
oPt	HRP	\$350.6 M	\$249.4 M	71.1%	2.5 M	1.4 M
Somalia	HRP	\$1.08 B	\$885.9 M	82.2%	4.2 M	3.4 M
South Sudan	HRP	\$1.51 B	\$1.14 B	75.8%	7.2 M	5.7 M
Sudan	HRP	\$1.15 B	\$608.3 M	52.9%	5.7 M	4.4 M
Syria	HRP	\$3.29 B	\$2.10 B	63.9%	11.7 M	11.7 M
Ukraine	HRP	\$163.6 M	\$84.7 M	51.7%	3.5 M	2.3 M
Venezuela	HRP	\$222.7 M	\$75.9 M	34.1%	7.0 M	2.7 M
Yemen	HRP	\$4.19 B	\$3.55 B	84.8%	24.1 M	21.4 M
Madagascar	FA	\$32.4 M	\$29.2 M	89.9%	890 k	460 k
Zimbabwe	FA	\$467.9 M	\$239.4 M	51.2%	5.3 M	2.2 M
Burundi Regional	RRP	\$261.7 M	\$90.4 M	34.5%	223 k	223 k
DRC Regional	RRP	\$676.8 M	\$158.8 M	23.5%	727 k	727 k
Nigeria Regional <sup>6</sup>	RRP	-	-	-	-	-
South Sudan Regional	RRP	\$984.5 M	\$392.2 M	39.8%	1.5 M	1.5 M
Syria Regional	RRP	\$5.53 B	\$2.31 B	41.7%	5.6 M	5.6 M
Bangladesh	Other	\$920.5 M	\$651.9 M	70.7%	1.2 M	1.2 M
Burkina Faso	Other	\$187.0 M	\$97.5 M	52.1%	1.2 M	900 k
DPR Korea	Other	\$120.3 M	\$40.5 M	33.6%	10.9 M	3.8 M
Iran	Other	\$25.0 M	\$12.7 M	50.8%	2.0 M	115 k
Venezuela Regional	Other	\$737.6 M	\$387.1 M	52.5%	3.6 M	2.2 M

<sup>4</sup> The monthly GHO update will continue to report on 2019 GHO funding figures through the first quarter of the year given that reports on 2019 are still being received and processed.

<sup>5</sup> In-country reports indicate that \$973.7 million has been received against the Ethiopia HRP requirements as of 31 January, including Government contributions..

<sup>6</sup> The requirements for the Nigeria RRP are included in the Cameroon, Chad and Niger HRPs.

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Afghanistan	HRP	\$732.6 M	\$6.9 M	0.9%	9.4 M	7.1 M
Burkina Faso	HRP	\$295.0 M	\$1.7 M	0.6%	2.2 M	1.8 M
Burundi	HRP	\$113.5 M	\$5.5 M	4.9%	1.7 M	630 k
Cameroon	HRP	\$317.0 M	\$0.4 M	0.1%	4.4 M	2.6 M
CAR	HRP	\$400.8 M	\$39.5 M	9.9%	2.6 M	1.6 M
Chad	HRP	\$545.3 M	-	-	5.3 M	3.0 M
DRC	HRP	\$1.82 B	\$28.2 M	1.5%	15.6 M	8.1 M
Ethiopia	HRP	\$1.00 B	\$105.7 M	10.6%	8.0 M	6.5 M
Haiti	HRP	\$252.5 M	\$0.5 M	0.2%	4.6 M	2.1 M
Iraq	HRP	\$519.8 M	\$6.2 M	1.2%	4.1 M	1.8 M
Libya	HRP	\$110.0 M	-	-	898 k	343 k
Mali	HRP	\$390.7 M	\$3.5 M	0.9%	4.3 M	3.6 M
Myanmar	HRP	\$216.3 M	\$1.2 M	0.6%	986 k	848 k
Niger	HRP	\$400.0 M	\$14.6 M	3.6%	3.2 M	1.9 M
Nigeria	HRP	\$789.0 M	-	-	7.7 M	5.7 M
oPt	HRP	\$348.0 M	\$6.8 M	2.0%	2.4 M	1.5 M
Somalia	HRP	\$1.03 B	\$17.5 M	1.7%	5.2 M	3.0 M
South Sudan	HRP	\$1.54 B	\$6.3 M	0.4%	7.5 M	5.6 M
Sudan	HRP	\$1.35 B	\$103.9 M	7.7%	9.3 M	5.0 M
Syria	HRP	\$3.30 B	\$15.9 M	0.5%	11.0 M	9.0 M
Ukraine	HRP	\$157.8 M	\$6.5 M	4.1%	3.4 M	2.0 M
Venezuela	HRP	\$750.0 M	-	-	7.0 M	3.5 M
Yemen	HRP	\$3.20 B	-	-	24.0 M	15.6 M
Djibouti	FA	\$14.3 M	\$3.3 M	23.2%	150 k	150 k
Burundi Regional <sup>8</sup>	RRP	\$235.8 M	-	-	250 k	250 k
DRC Regional <sup>8</sup>	RRP	\$604.6 M	-	-	700 k	700 k
Nigeria Regional <sup>8,9</sup>	RRP	-	-	-	-	-
South Sudan Regional <sup>8</sup>	RRP	\$951.0 M	-	-	1.2 M	1.2 M
Syria Regional <sup>8,10</sup>	RRP	\$4.97 B	-	-	5.6 M	5.6 M
Bangladesh	Other	\$876.7 M	\$38.7 M	4.4%	1.3 M	1.3 M
DPR Korea	Other	\$107.0 M	-	-	10.8 M	5.5 M
Venezuela Regional <sup>8</sup>	Other	\$1.35 B	\$1.8 M	0.1%	3.8 M	2.5 M

<sup>7</sup> Funding received figures are based on information reported to FTS by donors and recipients. Figures published in the first quarter of the year may not represent the totality of funding available to humanitarian agencies as reporting to FTS in continuous and updates are frequent.

<sup>8</sup> UNHCR funding data for regional appeals is available here: <https://bit.ly/2FAi3ZC>

<sup>9</sup> The requirements for the Nigeria RRP are included in the Cameroon, Chad and Niger HRPs.

<sup>10</sup> The funding requirements of the Jordan chapter of the Syria 3RP are not yet final.

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## Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)

ALLOCATIONS<sup>11</sup>  
IN FEBRUARY

**\$166.9 M**

OF WHICH:  
RAPID RESPONSE (RR)

**\$163.5 M**

UNDERFUNDED  
EMERGENCY (UFE)

**\$3.4 M**

ALLOCATIONS<sup>11</sup>  
IN 2020

**\$183.2 M**

COUNTRY	APPEAL TYPE	JANUARY ALLOCATIONS	FEBRUARY ALLOCATIONS	OF WHICH: RR	UFE	PURPOSE OF ALLOCATION	TOTAL 2020 ALLOCATIONS
Cameroon	HRP	-	\$8.7 M	\$8.7 M	-	Displacement and cholera	<b>\$8.7 M</b>
Congo, Rep of.		\$6.9 M	-	\$6.9 M	-	Floods	<b>\$6.9 M</b>
Chad	HRP	-	\$1.0 M	-	\$1.0 M	Multiple crisis	<b>\$1.0 M</b>
Djibouti	FA	\$1.7 M	-	\$1.7 M	-	Floods	<b>\$1.7 M</b>
Eastern Africa		-	\$10.0 M	\$10.0 M	-	Locusts	<b>\$10.0 M</b>
Lesotho		\$0.8 M	-	\$0.8 M	-	Drought	<b>\$0.8 M</b>
Mauritania		-	\$2.4 M	-	\$2.4 M	Drought	<b>\$2.4 M</b>
Namibia		\$3.0 M	-	\$3.0 M	-	Drought	<b>\$3.0 M</b>
Sudan	HRP	-	\$99.9 M	\$99.9 M	-	Time-critical interventions	<b>\$99.9 M</b>
Syria	HRP	-	\$30.0 M	\$30.0 M	-	Displacement	<b>\$30.0 M</b>
Uganda		\$4.0 M	-	\$4.0 M	-	Floods	<b>\$4.0 M</b>
Zimbabwe		-	\$14.9 M	\$14.9 M	-	Drought and economic crisis	<b>\$14.9 M</b>

<sup>11</sup> Amount approved by the Emergency Relief Coordinator

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## Country-based Pooled Funds (CBPF)

### ALLOCATIONS IN FEBRUARY

**\$4.5M**

### FEBRUARY ALLOCATIONS BY ORGANIZATION TYPE

International NGOs **11%** UN Agencies **89%**  
National NGOs **-** Others **-**

### TOTAL 2020 ALLOCATIONS

**\$133.5M**

POOLED FUND		JANUARY ALLOCATIONS	FEBRUARY ALLOCATIONS	TOTAL 2020 ALLOCATIONS	
Afghanistan	HRP	-	-	-	
CAR	HRP	\$0.4 M	-	\$0.4 M	■
DRC	HRP	\$0.2 M	-	\$0.2 M	■
Ethiopia	HRP	\$9.2 M	-	\$9.2 M	■
Iraq	HRP	\$2.1 M	-	\$2.1 M	■
Jordan	3RP	\$3.2 M	-	\$3.2 M	■
Lebanon	3RP	-	-	-	
Myanmar	HRP	\$0.6 M	-	\$0.6 M	■
Nigeria	HRP	\$13.7 M	-	\$13.7 M	■
oPt	HRP	-	\$0.5 M	\$0.5 M	■
Pakistan		-	-	-	
Somalia	HRP	-	-	-	
South Sudan	HRP	\$1.3 M	-	\$1.3 M	■
Sudan	HRP	\$2.9 M	-	\$2.9 M	■
Syria	HRP	\$4.7 M	\$4.0 M	\$8.7 M	■
Syria Cross border	3RP	\$23.1 M	-	\$23.1 M	■
Ukraine	HRP	-	-	-	
Yemen	HRP	\$67.5 M	-	\$67.5 M	■

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Appeals figures are as reported by donors and recipient organizations to the Financial Tracking Service as of 29 February 2020. All financial data for response plans is continuously updated on [fts.unocha.org](https://fts.unocha.org). Financial data for the Burundi, DRC, Nigeria and South Sudan RFPs is available at <https://bit.ly/2FAi3ZC>. Dollar signs in this document denote United States dollars. The GHO monthly updates are produced by the Funding Trends and Resource Mobilization Unit, OCHA. For more information, please visit [www.humanitarianresponse.info/appeals](http://www.humanitarianresponse.info/appeals) | [www.hum-insight.info](http://www.hum-insight.info) or contact [ocha-ftm@un.org](mailto:ocha-ftm@un.org)