The Surge Capacity Section (SCS) is in charge of deploying staff and emergency experts to support OCHA operations in sudden emergencies, as well as inter-agency technical support in the fields of protection and gender.

During a humanitarian emergency, the Surge Capacity Section works closely with its network of Stand-By Partners, other branches and key sections of OCHA to set-up new country offices and ensuring that the UN does not face personnel gaps at all crucial times of response.

SCS also plays a key role in deploying staff when an ongoing emergency deteriorates or an established OCHA office faces an unforeseen situation and is in need of extra capacity.

**ROSTERS**

**Emergency Response Roster (ERR):** Mechanism for temporary deployment of OCHA staff during the initial emergency phase.

**Associates Surge Pool (ASP):** Group of external humanitarian experts available to deploy for ‘mid-term’ surge deployments.

**Stand-By Partners Programme (SBPP):** From our 14 external partner organisations for temporary support to Country Offices

**Roaming and Senior Surge Rosters:** OCHA staff who can provide field leadership in key management positions & functional areas.

**GenCap and ProCap:** Deployment of senior level Gender and Protection expertise to advise humanitarian operations.

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