

# **Afghanistan**

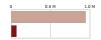
## May 2021





## **HIGHLIGHTS**

In 2021 the ES-NFI Cluster will continue all its core activities – emergency shelter; non-food items; transitional shelter; and winterization support. The Cluster will prioritize the provision of timely and targeted life-saving assistance through the delivery of emergency shelter and household items to affected people. Standard NFI kits will continue to be distributed where needed. Affected families will also be provided with seasonal items (such as warm clothing, heating materials and blankets in winter) to reduce their exposure to the harsh winter conditions and mitigate against the risk of respiratory infections, hypothermia and preventable mortality among children and the elderly. The Cluster has included in its response plan a modest range of transitional shelter interventions following the emergency shelter assistance at the onset of emergencies simultaneously contributing to meeting the affected household's immediate needs while further rebuilding their resilience from the outset. These activities will include shelter repair and upgrade, transitional shelter, rental subsidy.

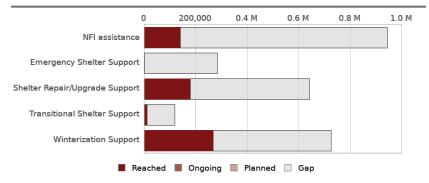


NFI (Total)
Targeted:
0.9 M
Reached: 7%



Shelter (Total)
Targeted:
1.0 M
Reached: 18%

## **COVERAGE AGAINST TARGETS**



## **NEED ANALYSIS**

In 2021 Cluster estimates 6.6 million in need of ESNFI supports and the Cluster plans to target 1 million vulnerable people affected by conflict and natural disasters with NFIs, Shelter and winterization support. This includes provision of standard NFIs, winterization, shelter repair tool kit, emergency shelter and transitional shelter packages with a funding requirement of \$109.2m.

**Conflict and disaster Response:** Potential drought due to inadequate precipitation during the rainy season has put the lives of 13.2m people at risk and in need of humanitarian supports. The multi sectorial Spring contingency plan is prioritizing 7.4m people with a funding requirement of \$390m. ESNFI Cluster is contributing to the spring disaster contingency plan with provision of household items, emergency shelter kits and self-reconstruction tool kits, provision of tools and materials (both cash and in-kind) for shelter repair and upgrade and advocacy for increased funding towards transitional shelter solutions. This requires \$16.6m

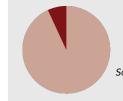
#### **KEY FIGURES**

## 40 Cluster partners

#### People



#### **Funding**



Total funding required:

\$109.2 M Funded: 7% Source: Cluster partners and FTS

## **KEY DATES**

• March 2008: Activation of the cluster

### **KEY DOCUMENTS**

- 2020 Joint Winterization Strategy at a glance\_English
- 2020 Joint Winterization Strategy at a glance\_Pashtu
- 2020 Joint Winterization Strategy at a glance\_Dari
- afg-winterizationresponsedashboard-1-15jan\_2021
- ICCT Winterization Advocacy Dashboard\_November 2020
- Preliminary findings note on the evaluation of winterization responses 2019/20 June 2020
- Presentation on preliminary findings from an evaluation of winterization responses 2019/20
- REACH\_AFG\_ESNFI Cluster Preliminary Findings on Shelter Assessment in 4 Priority Provinces\_2020
- REACH\_AFG\_ESNFI Cluster Shelter Assessment Factsheets for 4 Priority Provinces\_2020
- afg-es-nfi\_cluster\_hrp\_dashboard\_jan-dec\_2020
- afg-esnfi\_cluster\_operational\_presence\_dec\_01\_to\_dec\_ 31\_2020
- <u>afg-es-</u> <u>nfi\_cluster\_operational\_presence\_jan\_01\_to\_dec\_</u> 31\_2020
- AFG\_ESNFI Cluster Operational Presence October
  2020
- AFG\_ESNFI Cluster Stockpiles October 2020

targeting 216,000 people in 25 priority provinces.

Following the ongoing withdrawal of the international military forces the conflict has escalated and has caused more internal displacements. So far 149,000 people have been displaced since beginning of the year in 29 out of 34 provinces. The Cluster continues to respond to these humanitarian needs across the affected provinces.

ESNFI Cluster is also has contributed to the possible escalation of conflict and increase in emergency and shelter NFIs needs contingency plan, that requires urgent \$21 Million to respond to the ESNFIs needs of 300,000 people.

As of June 2021, Cluster has prepositioned stock in strategic locations with a capacity to assist 124,922 people with emergency shelter and 228,319 people with standard NFIs kits across the country.

## AFG ES/NFI Cluster Technical Guidelines 2017

#### **KEY LINKS**

- Afghanistan Humanitarian Response Plan 2018-2021 (Revision 2021)
- Country page on ShelterCluster.org
- ESNFI Operational Presence Interactive Dashboard
- ESNFI Countrywide Stockpile Interactive Dashboard
- Country page on HumanitarianResponse.info
- Country page on Reliefweb

#### RESPONSE

- From 01 January to 31 May 2021, the cluster reached 443,110 with shelter assistance, NFIs and winterization assistance which translates to 44 per cent of the target 1M people.
- 2. Partners reached 179,069 individuals with shelter repair/ upgrade support.
- 3. 11,729 individuals received support to construct transitional shelters
- 4. 2,199 individuals received emergency shelter assistance, including through cash for rent support
- 5. 267,467 vulnerable individuals received winterization support.
- 14,0074 individuals received basic household items (NFI) to meet their immediate needs
- The Shelter / NFI cluster continues to maintain emergency preparedness with contingency stocks and monitoring of gaps in strategic locations.

## **GAPS / CHALLENGES**

- The Cluster is only 7% (\$9.7m) funded for 2021 and most of the emergency needs are responded through the partners carry over funding and their prepositioned stocks from 2020. Increasing patterns of conflictdriven displacements may increase needs and create a risk for pipeline breaks. The need to continually replenish in country stocks remains vital due to lengthy procurement lead times
- 2. The scale, severity, and complexity of needs for emergency and transitional shelter remains high, particularly among new and protracted
- Security-related constraints may limit partner's capacity to access affected people.