

# Information Management Resource Center





# **Services**

Information Management (IM), Coordination, Geoinformatics, Field Operations, Data Systems, Research and Analysis including Food Security Analysis

# **Background**

Ten years into the Syria crisis, humanitarian needs are deepening. Ongoing insecurity and the compounded impact of displacement, combined with worsening socio-economic conditions characterized by sharp currency depreciation, record-level price increases and cuts in subsidized goods have prompted 1.2 million increases in the number of people in need compared to early 2021. As of February 2022, around 14.6 million people are estimated to require some form of humanitarian and protection assistance, including 5 million in acute need, due to a convergence of factors arising from a sharp reduction in purchasing power, the loss of essential livelihoods and income, mounting food insecurity, limited access to basic services such as health, WASH, education, nutrition and critical protection services, inadequate shelter conditions as well as the immediate and longer-term effects of the COVID-19 pandemic4.

# Objectives



To provide critical IM, analysis and coordination support to humanitarian actors responding to the Syria crisis through the iMMAP Information Management Resource Center (IMRC).



Conflict continues to be the principal driver of humanitarian needs in Syria. The scale, severity, and complexity of needs across the country remain overwhelming. The dynamic and multifaceted nature of the Syrian crisis has created significant challenges for humanitarian IM. As the crisis

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USAID - BHA (Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance)

**Cumulative Budget:** USD 3,000,000

Focus: Syria

**Project Duration:**June 2022 October 2023

# **Key Figures**



Syria remains a complex humanitarian situation with 5.3 million internally displaced persons (IDPs).



15.3 million people are in need of humanitarian assistance.



15 million people are food insecure.



An estimate of 15.3 million people needing dignified early recovery and livelihoods support.



15.1 million people are in need of Protection.

(Source: HNO 2023)

continues, it remains imperative to continue filling information gaps in a systematic and timely manner to promote a more effective humanitarian response.



The IMRC was launched to support the Whole of Syria (WoS) structure with information management, coordination and research and analysis services. Established to enhance the effectiveness and accountability of the response inside Syria, the WoS framework brings together hundreds of international and national actors from Syria, Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq and Turkey operational hubs.

### **iMMAP Services**

### **Sector and Coordination Support Team**



iMMAP delivers dedicated and targeted IM services to operational hubs, UN agencies, sectors and partner organizations. This support could be short-term in nature (days, weeks) to produce one-off deliverables, or this could be dedicated support over a period of months, depending on the workload, or resource availability, that the sector is experiencing at the time.

## **Food Security Sector Support**



iMMAP provides targeted support based on IM and coordination requirements from the WoS FSS and its hubs and operational areas. This action builds upon the current dedicated food security IM support provided over the years through personnel being deployed to the sector and other experts being made available for surge requests. Under the assessment support, iMMAP's FSL unit provided several research products and assessments that primarily targeted wheat-flour to bread market systems, agricultural activities, and their extension services. The support for the FSS will continue until end of September 2023 in line with the needs of organizations working in the FSS and in close coordination with FSL cluster leads, as well as providing direct support to partner needs when requested and within available capacity.

### Clusters

# Whole of Syria







Health

Food Security

Child Protection







Protection

ection WASH

Gender-Based violence



Education

# **Northeast Syria**





Food Security

Camp Coordination





Protection

Camp Management

### **Research and Analysis Support**



iMMAP provides research support to provide USAID/BHA and implementing partners with timely and programmatically relevant contextual information based on partner identified information gaps. This research will come in the form of regular reports and presentations to relevant working groups and sectors that can shift based on the changing information needs landscape. Research will be presented through an operational lens to remain as relevant to partners as possible and will leverage iMMAP's past eight years of contextual understanding, research, and networks to provide key insights and information access. This research is presented in the form of three discrete deliverables: 1) Context Updates, 2) Ad Hoc Reports, and 3) Requests for Information (RFIs). Context Updates and Ad Hoc Reports will be disseminated through regular presentations via multiple fora.

Until end of February 2023, iMMAP Research and Analysis unit has completed and shared 9 Context Updates with 9 Context Update Presentations facilitated as well as 7 Request for Information Reports and 1 Ad-hoc Report. Additionally, iMMAP developed a couple of Research and Analysis Spot Reports on the Earthquake crisis especially on Northwest Syria (NWS), in addition to IM response through providing support in developing products related to Earthquake response as requested by other Humanitarian Actors implementing in NWS and responding to the Earthquake.

# **Northwest Syria**





Food Security

Camp Coordination





Shelter/NFI

Camp Management