Conflict related insecurity presents challenges to accessing populations in need in many parts of the country. WFP engages in access negotiations to assist people in need and deploys third party monitoring staff to ensure that assistance reaches those intended. In 2017, through negotiated access WFP was able to reach 325,000 of target beneficiaries through negotiated access (8.5% of planned beneficiaries), though in some cases these negotiations resulted in delays in delivering food assistance. Denied access or insecurity prevented delivery of assistance to 111,000 people across the country, representing 3% of planned beneficiaries. WFP manages access challenges in several ways including the use remote vulnerability and market assessment through mVAM to determine needs, negotiating access with parties to the conflict and deploying Third Party Monitoring staff to ensure assistance delivered reaches rightful beneficiaries in insecure environments.

232,000 beneficiaries affected by access constraints
6% of targeted beneficiaries

325,600 beneficiaries accessed thanks to negotiations
44 negotiations conducted in 2017 (NSAG related)
20 districts newly accessed in 2017