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## OVERVIEW

In Libya, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) works closely with the Libyan Red Crescent Society (LRCS) to assist populations badly affected by the conflict. From January to December 2015, they have been providing food and essential household items to displaced persons. The ICRC also supported health care facilities and helped people separated by the conflicts to get back in touch.

### EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE: FOOD & OTHER ESSENTIAL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

#### EAST

- 17'400 displaced persons in Benghazi were assisted with food and essential household items such as hygiene kits, mattresses, blankets and kitchen sets.
- 24'500 people were provided with essential household items in Benghazi, Almarj, Ajdabiya, Tobruk and Um Arrizam.

#### WEST

- 7'630 displaced persons in Tripoli were assisted with food and another 5'340 persons with essential household items.
- 3'800 people received food in Tarhuna, Zuwarah and Zawiya, while 6'300 persons received essential household items in Tarhuna, Zliten, Gharyan and al Khums.

#### CENTER

- 3'000 displaced persons in Hun, Abu grain, Alwashaka and Al-Qaddahiyah received food items.
- 6'300 displaced persons in the same area as well as in Misrata were assisted with essential household items.

#### SOUTH

- 6'500 displaced persons in Sabha and Ghat received kitchen sets, mattresses, blankets, hygiene kits and other essential items.

### HEALTH CARE TO THE SICK & WOUNDED

#### EAST

- In Benghazi, surgical and medical items were provided to Al-Jalaa hospital, Benghazi Medical Center and Benghazi Field hospital, enough to treat 5'500 wounded persons.
- Al Qubbah clinic, Garnada hospital and Ain Mara hospital in Al Bayda district, as well as Al Marj and Ajdabiya hospitals were provided with surgical and medical sets for the treatment of over 500 wounded patients.

#### WEST

- In Tripoli, Shohada Al-Nofleen and Abu Thar Al Ghafari polyclinics, Al Jalaa obstetric hospital in addition to the National Heart Centre and Abu Saleem hospital, were supported with medical assistance enough to treat 5'400 patients.
- Similar medical assistance that could treat some 300 wounded patients was provided to Zawiya and Gharyan hospitals in addition to Jmail and Zintan hospitals.

#### CENTER

- Urgent medical supplies were provided to Misrata and Jufra hospitals for the treatment of 200 wounded persons.

#### SOUTH

- Medical supplies were provided to Brak Al-Shati hospital, Sabha Medical Center, as well as to Awbari hospital and Al Grefa polyclinic for the treatment of 300 wounded persons.

**RESTORING FAMILY LINKS AND DEAD BODY MANAGEMENT**

- 88 Red Cross Messages were exchanged between civilians to help restore family contacts.
- 25 phone calls were facilitated between families in Libya and their relatives interned in the Guantanamo Bay detention facility in cooperation with the LRCS.
- Hundreds of migrants held in retention centers voluntarily returned to their home countries, thanks to the coordinated action of the ICRC, the LRCS, the concerned embassies, pertinent authorities and the IOM.
- 650 body bags & other protective equipment were provided to the LRCS to ensure proper handling of mortal remains.

**COOPERATION**

The ICRC provided the LRCS with material, technical, logistical, financial and other support to enable it to maintain the important role it plays in responding to the needs of people suffering the effects of the fighting.

**TRAINING**

- 76 doctors underwent ICRC training in war surgery, emergency procedures and trauma care support to the LRCS.
- 36 LRCS volunteers were trained in the safe and proper handling of dead bodies.
- 20 LRCS volunteers were trained on social media and audio visual productions.
- 16 LRCS volunteers received first aid training of trainers.

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Provide assistance to the displaced persons by the conflict in Libya



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