

Facts & Figures

Country	Afghanistan (Provinces of Nangarhar, Paktya, Herat and Kunduz)
Organizations	Cordaid (lead), CARE Nederland, Oxfam Novib, Save the Children, Stichting Vluchtelng/IRC, World Vision and ZOA
Sectors	Food Security, Shelter and Non-Food Items (NFI), Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)
DRA Budget	€4.5 million
Duration	1 Dec 2016 to 30 May 2017
Number of people reached	At least 77,420 people by the end of the programme



Food Security



Shelter



Water, Sanitation & Hygiene

About the crisis

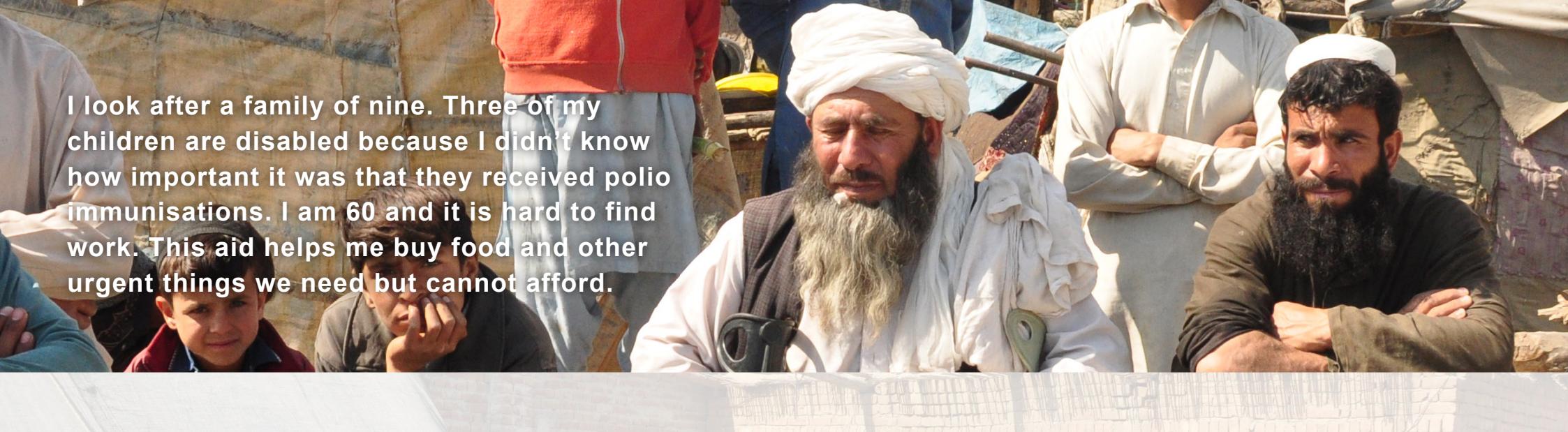
Afghanistan is facing a widespread humanitarian crisis marked by significant population displacement. The return of large numbers of both undocumented refugees and refugees returning from Pakistan and Iran has put further strain on the country's fragile infrastructure. More than one million people inside Afghanistan are currently on the move - a figure far in excess of planning estimates. These population movements are destabilising the already fragile situation inside the country. Poverty reduction efforts have been hampered and increasing numbers of people are food insecure. In addition, limited access to clean water and sanitation has placed millions at risk of contracting diarrhoea, typhoid, polio and other water-borne and contagious diseases.



The Dutch Relief Alliance Response

The seven Dutch Relief Alliance (DRA) members participating in the Afghanistan Joint Response implement relief programmes to assist Internally Displaced Persons and other communities affected by the conflict and (undocumented) returnees from Iran and Pakistan.

- More than 55,000 vulnerable conflict-affected people, IDPs and returnees received emergency assistance to meet their basic food needs.
- Resources were made available to enable 4,500 vulnerable conflict-affected people - including IDPs and returning refugees - rebuild their livelihoods.
- More than 8,500 vulnerable conflict-affected people, IDPs and returnees were provided with basic safe and dignified shelter solutions.
- Access to safe and sufficient water resources for domestic use was restored for 23,755 people.
- Hygiene materials were distributed to more than 32,200 vulnerable conflict-affected people, IDPs and returnees.



I look after a family of nine. Three of my children are disabled because I didn't know how important it was that they received polio immunisations. I am 60 and it is hard to find work. This aid helps me buy food and other urgent things we need but cannot afford.

Achievements

It is too early to draw definitive conclusions as the Joint Response is continuing - but collaboration and coordination between the seven participating organisations has been successful. Coordination with other agencies including UNOCHA and the World Food Programme was also successfully carried out. Added value is also achieved through regular monthly and technical meetings of partners in the field.

Challenges

It is too early to draw definitive conclusions as the Joint Response is continuing. A mid-term evaluation conducted in February 2017 raised no issues of concern.

About the Dutch Relief Alliance

The Dutch Relief Alliance (DRA) responds to major international crises in a timely and effective manner. The Alliance is a cooperation of 14 Dutch NGOs, funded by the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA).

The Dutch Relief Alliance comprises the following organisations: CARE Nederland, Cordaid, Dorcas, ICCO and Kerk in Actie, Oxfam Novib, Plan Nederland, Save the Children, Tear, Terre des Hommes, Stichting Vluchtelng, War Child, War Trauma Foundation, World Vision and ZOA.

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