

Site Management - Update 6

GAZA RESPONSE

26 January 2025

GENERAL INFORMATION

Following the ceasefire, significant numbers of individuals are attempting to cross from southern Gaza to the northern governorates, particularly Gaza City and North Gaza. In response to this development, the Site Management Working Group (SMWG), in coordination with partners, has established six flow monitoring points across Deir Al Balah, Gaza City, and North Gaza to monitor and estimate population movement trends.



As of today, movement restrictions remain in effect. No movement has been observed from Deir Al Balah to Gaza City despite thousands of people reportedly waiting to cross from the southern to the northern areas.

Additionally, SMWG teams conducted field visits to key locations, including Al Jala and Jabalia/Saftway roundabouts. During these visits, a continuous pendular movement of people and trucks transporting belongings was observed between Gaza City municipality and the municipalities of Jabalia and Beit Lahia. Many returnees in North Gaza governorate approached field teams with urgent requests for humanitarian assistance, particularly food and water.

FLOW MONITORING POINT UPDATES

Below are the latest observations from each flow monitoring point:

- **Al Rasheed 1** (31.456874, 34.370012)
 - Approximately 50,000 individuals were observed waiting to cross to the northern areas, specifically Gaza City. This point was covered by ACTED and PARC/DRC.
- **Al Rasheed 2** (31.5026887, 34.4139484)
 - No movement observed. This point is covered by ACTED.
- **Brick Factory** (31.5219059, 34.4323258)
 - No movement observed. This point is covered by PARC/DRC.
- **Jabalia Roundabout** (31.5394146, 34.4823802)
 - No movement observed. This point is covered by PARC/DRC.
- **SAD South** (31.447334, 34.404148)
 - Approximately 4,235 individuals were observed waiting to cross to the northern areas, specifically Gaza City. This point is covered by ACTED and PARC/DRC.
- **Netzarim Entry SAD** (31.491048, 34.452573)
 - No team been allocated.

The SMWG will continue to closely monitor the situation and provide regular updates as conditions evolve. Partners are encouraged to coordinate closely to address the urgent humanitarian needs identified, including the provision of food, water, and other essential services for returnees in North Gaza.

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- NRC conducted site assessments to understand displacement movements through structured Key Informant Interviews (KIIs) with site focal points.
- Assessment covers 37,969 individuals and 7,648 hh living in 8 sites, including 6 makeshift sites, 1 UNRWA collective center, and 1 non-UNRWA collective center in the governorates of Deir al Balah (6/8) and Khan Younis (2/8).
- Half of the assessed sites (4/8) reported no changes in the population at the site. While the other half of assessed sites (4/8), KIs reported people were leaving, with an average of 38 individuals leaving each site.
- In addition, 1 site in Jabalia Camp (North Gaza) was reportedly closed as the population moved to different areas.

Displacement type: Makeshift sites, Collective Center

Governorate: Khan Younis

Total Individual: 37,969

Total Households: 7,648

MOVEMENT INTENTIONS

- In most sites (5/8) KIs reported people were planning to stay on the site. On 3 sites KIs reported everyone (reported in 1/8 sites) about half (1/8), or few (1/8) of the population at the site are planning on moving to a different governorate. In 2 sites people reportedly will go to their homes or relatives' homes, while in 1 site people will reportedly go to another site. Most KIs reported the population from northern governorates are planning to move but will wait until the situation stabilizes.
- The most reported governorates where people will be moving to were Gaza (3/3), and North Gaza (1/3).
- One KI mentioned that residents are not planning to move till they secure shelter/housing.

KEY POPULATION NEEDS

- Most reported sectors of humanitarian need are: Food Security (mentioned by 8/8 KIs), WASH (6/8), Shelter assistance (6/8), MPCA (4/8), NFIs (3/8), and Health (2/8).
- In the Food Security sector, the most needed assistance was reportedly food vouchers or cash transfers (7/8) and in-kind food distribution (5/8).
- In WASH sector the most needed assistance was reportedly hygiene kits (5/8), sanitation services (4/8), drinking water (3/5) and washing facilities (2/8)
- Among the reported shelter assistance, the need for shelters (5/8) and shelter repairs and upgrades (3/8) were the most reported assistance needed.

HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE RECEIVED

- In 3/8 sites KIs reported some humanitarian assistance had been received in the past 7 days. All three site focal points reported having received food assistance.