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Yemen Humanitarian Appeal

As Yemen enters 2025, Yemeni communities continue to bear the brunt of ongoing conflict. According to this year's Humanitarian Needs Response Plan, more than half of the country's population – 19.5 million people – need humanitarian assistance and protection services, and over 17 million people will face severe food insecurity.

It is estimated that more than 13 million people lack access to clean water, and 40% of health facilities are partially or non-functional.

Economic decline is exacerbating humanitarian needs and fueling protection risks. Yemen is also one of the countries most affected by climate change, which has widespread impacts on economic activity and health.

This painful reality is particularly acute for the most vulnerable and marginalized groups in Yemen. To address these challenges and address human suffering, aid agencies are appealing for \$2.5 billion

for the humanitarian response in 2025 to provide life-saving assistance to 10.5 million of the most vulnerable people, including food, clean water and health care.

As a leading humanitarian organization with a proven track record, HUMAN ACCESS joins the United Nations' recent humanitarian appeal for Yemen to assist millions of Yemenis. The situation is critical, the suffering is horrific, and immediate funding is essential to prevent the majority of people from slipping into an extremely vulnerable situation.

Humanitarian action saves lives, upholds people's dignity, and is a lifeline for millions of civilians. A sustained donation and generous contribution to the Humanitarian Response Plan for 2025 are crucial steps towards mitigating the worst effects of this humanitarian crisis, providing urgent humanitarian assistance and protection to millions of people in need, and ensuring sustainable development and dignity for all Yemenis.



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Over 585,000 beneficiaries of this year's sacrificial meat distribution

A total 585,508 people in Yemen benefited from the sacrificial meat distribution project, implemented by HUMAN ACCESS for the year 1446 AH - 2025.

The project, funded by several local and international donors and partners, was implemented under the slogan "Your Sacrifice is Their Eid," aiming to bring joy to the neediest families during the blessed days of Eid al-Adha.

The project, which was implemented during Eid al-Adha and the days of Tashreeq, covered a number of Yemen's governorates, targeting the most vulner-

able and affected groups impacted by the repercussions of the ongoing humanitarian crisis.

In a press statement, Yahya Hasan Al-Daba, Head of HUMAN ACCESS, expressed his deep gratitude to the donors and philanthropists who contributed to the success of this seasonal project. He emphasized that this donation has had a significant impact in alleviating the burdens of living for beneficiary families, amid complex living conditions and a conflict that has lasted for more than a decade.



The Sacrificial Meat Distribution Project Brings Joy to Yemen



Yemen is facing one of the world's most severe humanitarian crises. Due to difficult living, financial, and economic conditions, the majority of the population is unable to purchase meat throughout the year, depriving them of one of their most important food sources. Although Eid al-Adha provided an opportunity for millions of people to eat meat, the harsh conditions in Yemen and the continuous increases in sacrificial meat prices have caused many Yemenis to refrain from offering sacrifices, as they do not have enough money to purchase them. Hence, the importance of the Sacrificial Meat Distribution Project, implemented by HUMN ACCESS this year (1446 AH - 2025) in a number of Yemeni governorates, is highlighted. The project, funded by a group of partners and donors, stems from a humanitarian responsibility toward the most vulnerable groups in Yemen. Amid an atmosphere brimming with hope and happiness, the sacrificial meat distribution project, during the days of Tashreeq, successfully delivered high-quality red meat to 585,508 people, including displaced persons, people with disabilities, chronic illnesses, the poor, and those in need, giving their Eid a different flavor. One of these beneficiaries, fifty-year-old (S.R.), from Aden Governorate, said, "It was very difficult to buy meat for my family on Eid al-Adha. I could barely provide for my children. You provided us with meat and brought us joy on Eid. Thank you." F.A., a displaced woman in Marib Governorate, said, "Our Eid joy would have been incomplete because we were unable to purchase an Eid sacrifice or meat. You completed our joy by giving my family half a sacrifice. This is why Eid was not a burden on us this year." A. M., a native of Al-Mahrah Governorate, said, "For months, I've tried in various ways to save some money to buy a sacrificial animal, but I failed. Livestock prices are very high, and my income is extremely limited. That's why I gave up on the idea of buying a sacrificial animal. I was overjoyed that you made my children's dream of eating meat on Eid come true." This confirms that this year's sacrificial meat distribution project has achieved its noble humanitarian goals, most notably improving the living conditions of Yemen's most vulnerable groups, bringing joy and happiness to them during the blessed days of Eid al-Adha, and promoting the concepts of mercy, dignity, and human solidarity on this great religious occasion.

Agreement to Build and Equip the Administrative and Financial Sciences Faculty at Saba Regional University



HUMAN ACCESS, represented by Yahya Hasan Al-Daba, Head of the Association, and Saba Regional University in Marib Governorate, represented by Dr. Mohammed Hamoud Al-Qadasi, President of the University, signed a joint cooperation agreement to implement the project to build and equip the Faculty of Administrative and Financial Sciences at the university. The project is financed by the International Islamic Charity Organization (IICO), the Humanitarian Relief Foundation, Human Rights and Freedoms (IHH), and the local authorities in the governorate. The agreement, signed in the presence of the University's Secretary-General, Dr. Othman Al-Arada, defines the framework for cooperation between the two parties in implementing the project, in ac-

cordance with the project's timeline. This includes engineering designs and plans, construction work for halls, buildings, and educational facilities, as well as furnishing and equipping all project components. On the sidelines of the signing of the agreement, Dr. Al-Qadasi emphasized the importance of this vital project, which aims to develop the university's infrastructure and enhance its academic capabilities to meet the needs of students in administrative and financial sciences. Mr Al-Daba affirmed HUMAN ACCESS' commitment to supporting development projects that contribute to serving the community and improving the quality of higher education in Yemen, with the goal of shaping a sustainable future.

HUMAN ACCESS association participated in a meeting for Yemen relief, organized by the Union of NGOs in the Islamic World in Istanbul, Turkey.

Many humanitarian organizations and donors attended the meeting in an effort to assist Yemen in meeting its needs and avoid a major disaster in the impoverished country wracked by conflict. At the meeting, the association reviewed the humanitarian situation in Yemen and the importance of continuing to work together to lift millions out of poverty, destitution, hunger, and disease. On the sidelines of the meeting, in which Dr. Mohammed Mahfouz, a member of the HUMAN ACCESS Board, participated, a Ramadan iftar was held to mark the occasion.

HUMAN ACCESS participates in international meeting for Yemen relief



HUMAN ACCESS participates in the 7th Meeting of Senior Officials Concerned with Aid to Yemen

HUMAN ACCESS, represented by Dr. Abdulwase Alwasai, Secretary-General of the Association, participated in the Seventh Meeting of Senior Officials Concerned with Humanitarian Aid to Yemen, hosted in the Belgium capital, Brussels, at the joint invitation of the European Union and the Kingdom of Sweden. The meeting was attended by the European Commission, high-level representatives from donor agencies, United Nations agencies, international financial institutions, international and Yemeni NGOs, and representatives from the Gulf Cooperation Council countries, to discuss the humanitarian crisis in Yemen. The participants discussed a number of important issues, including the increasing decline of the humanitarian operating environment in Yemen. They emphasized the importance of a shared humanitarian commitment, especially in light of the threat of famine and war, and the need to re-prior-

itize the response plan, with a focus on the most affected areas.

Participants made several recommendations, including increasing urgent funding to cover acute needs and supporting and expanding partnerships with local Yemeni organizations, particularly in deprived areas.

At the meeting, Dr. Abdulwase Alwasai, HUMAN ACCESS Secretary-General, spoke about the importance of localizing humanitarian action and the importance of humanitarian support to prevent Yemen from slipping into more acute levels of humanitarian need, given the current difficult circumstances. He emphasized the need to help bridge the gap between donors and frontline workers on the ground. Dr. Alwasai presented a number of recommendations to help build the resilience of the humanitarian response and protect lives in Yemen.



With participation in (Our Orphans, a Pact and a Covenant) Forum in Kuwait, HUMAN ACCESS signs a document to advocate and support International Charter for Orphan Care

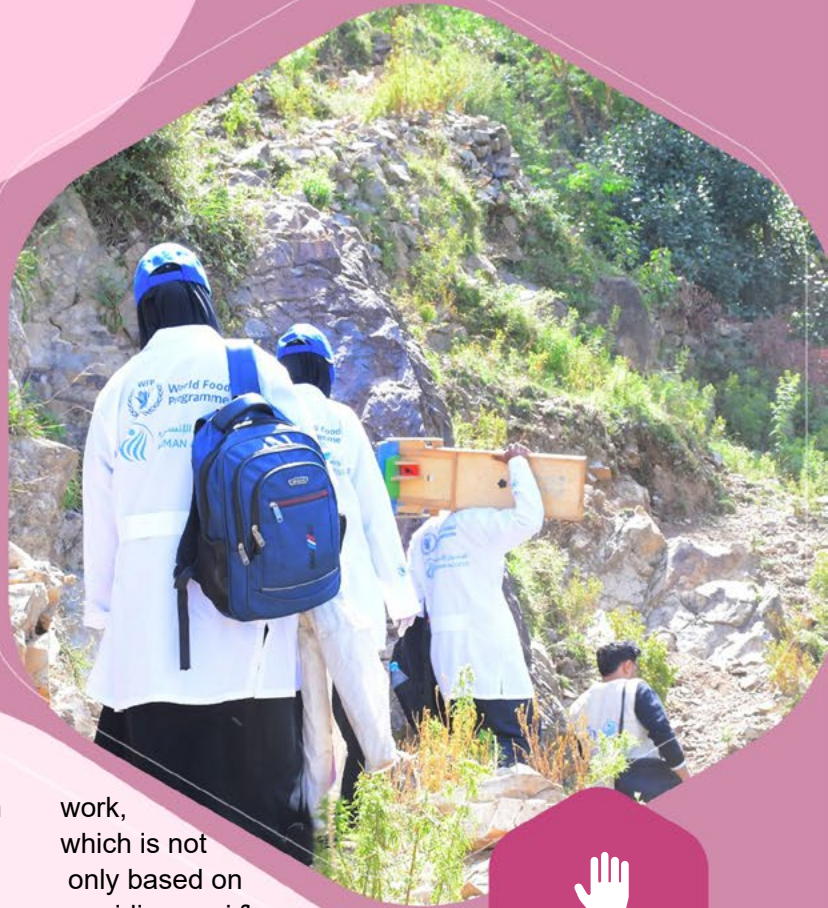
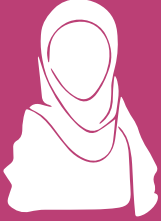
HUMAN ACCESS, represented by Yahya Al-Daba, Head of the Association, signed a document advocating and supporting the International Charter for Orphan Care during its participation in the "Our Orphans, a Pact and a Covenant" Forum and Exhibition. The forum was held in the State of Kuwait under the auspices of the Kuwaiti Ministry of Social Affairs, and Family and Childhood Affairs, along with the participation of humanitarian organizations and institutions from 16 countries. In signing the document, HUMAN ACCESS affirms its commitment to improving the quality of orphan care, in line with global principles that seek to achieve excellence in charitable work, as well as on the association's belief that it is crucial to strengthen efforts to empower orphans and improve care for them.

The Union of Kuwaiti Charitable Societies and Foundations organized this forum in collaboration with the Orphan Care Union, and involved various activities and special pavilions for the participating humanitarian organizations, including the HUMAN ACCESS pavilion, which presented the tragedy of orphans in Yemen and the efforts made to ensure a better future for orphans.

It is worth noting that HUMAN ACCESS has established a special sector to sponsor and care for orphans since its establishment in 1990 to consolidate the path of humanitarian support for orphans and mobilize energies to support their causes. As of today, the sector has sponsored more than 80,000 males and females throughout Yemen since its establishment.



Women in Humanitarian Operations: A Soothing Remedy for Vulnerable Groups



Women play a crucial role in humanitarian response, despite the difficult circumstances surrounding global humanitarian work on the ground, due to conflicts and disasters. The role of female humanitarian workers is particularly important in strengthening the global humanitarian response for all groups, given women's proximity to all segments of society.

The presence of women in humanitarian relief teams has become more urgent than ever to deliver vital assistance to women, as there are things disaster victims will only tell women and only women will understand. Women feel comfortable speaking about their suffering with other women, whether due to their personal preferences or their culture.

Women also possess unique expertise and access to populations that their male colleagues cannot. Without the participation of women in humanitarian operations, humanitarian organizations will find it difficult to reach those most in need, especially women and girls, who constitute the segment most affected by wars, conflicts, and disasters.

A Pivotal and Vital Role

Humanitarian experts believe that the role of women in humanitarian and volunteer work is essential and vital, increasing the effectiveness of aid delivery by increasing the extent of its benefits. It is impossible to advance the culture of humanitarian work to broader horizons without the participation of women, whose pivotal role in building, cohesion, and advancing societies is undeniable. Experts agree that achieving the Sustainable Development Goals is not impossible without the positive role of women in humanitarian

work, which is not only based on providing assistance to victims but also amplifies the voices of those affected by crises, helping to design humanitarian programs that meet needs, specifically the needs of women. Some emphasize that responses are better designed when women are present in the field. They point to another point related to the importance of women's presence in humanitarian work: this presence provides women with a source of income to cope with harsh conditions and provides support for the entire family, especially the children who depend on them.

A Source of Hope and Inspiration

That's why HUMAN ACCESS is committed to involving women in humanitarian work. The association's staff includes many women, particularly in the areas of protection, health, and livelihoods, to further enhance the humanitarian response for all groups in light of the worsening humanitarian crisis in Yemen.

Women are closer to affected women in the field, have a clear impact on sustainable community service, and are capable of effecting change. Strengthening women's participation in humanitarian field work will effectively contribute to a qualitative shift in the volunteer movement and humanitarian giving. Women are teachers, nurses, doctors, engineers, and lawyers, and are an indispensable source of hope and inspiration.



Funded by YHF: A life project for vulnerable people in Marib

Funded by the Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF), HUMAN ACCESS is currently implementing the Integrated Life-Saving Emergency Response for Vulnerable People in Marib (Hayat Project) project, to save the lives of the most vulnerable groups of displaced persons, returnees, and the host community. This vital project provides essential and necessary services through contracted service providers, including protection services for vulnerable groups, amidst increased protection risks, particularly for women and girls, people with special needs, and the elderly. These protection services include psychosocial and legal support, among others.

The project's services also involve case management for vulnerable children and multi-purpose cash assistance to vulnerable groups, including victims of gender-based violence, and other life-saving services to enhance resilience in the face of one of the world's most challenging humanitarian crises. Marib is a governorate with the largest concentration of displaced people in Yemen, amid a significant collapse in basic services. Years of conflict and economic hardship have created a complex situation of vulnerabilities among the population, requiring an integrated response to prevent the risks to vulnerable Yemeni families from worsening.



Marib Hygiene Fund receives a solid waste truck

With funding from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), HUMAN ACCESS delivered a solid waste truck to the Marib Hygiene and Improvement Fund as part of its sustainability projects to improve the cleanliness of IDP camps in Yemen. The delivery took place in the presence of the Deputy Governor of Marib, Ali Al-Fatimi; the

Director of the UNHCR Office in the Governorate, Shekel Kim Shehu; the Executive Director of the Hygiene and Improvement Fund, Engineer Mohammed Atiyah; and the representative of the Executive Unit for IDP Camp Management, Mohammed Al-Saeedi. The goal of this important support is to enhance the Hygiene Fund's capacity to

transport waste, create a clean environment, and help mitigate the spread of diseases and epidemics related to public hygiene.

It also supports local capacities for safe and healthy waste management, improving the lives and safety of vulnerable populations amid one of the worst protracted humanitarian crises in the world.



Construction and delivery of additional facility for Marib's Civil Status Authority and classrooms



HUMAN ACCESS in Marib Governorate handed over an additional facility to the Civil Status Authority branch in the governorate and 3 additional classrooms to Al-Thawra Basic and Secondary School in Al-Jufaina Al-Sufila camp for displaced persons. As a result of the completion of construction and implementation of the Quick Impact Project, the project has been granted funding by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

The handover process took place in the presence of the Deputy Director General of the Civil Status Authority in Marib, Colonel Abdulrahman Al-Mathooth, who confirmed that the additional facility would be used to provide services to customers and ease the heavy congestion at the Authority's windows. The new facility consists of a large hall with 4 cabins to provide services and complete customer transactions.

Moreover, a building containing 3 additional classrooms was handed over with furniture and equipment to Al-Thawra School, which accommodates about 150 boy and girl students, in the presence of the Director

of the Education Office in the city district, Mohammed Marsh. Through the project, the school will be able to move displaced students - who are currently studying in dilapidated tents - to three new classrooms that have been equipped and furnished.

In this context, the construction and furnishing of 6 classrooms and rooms for teachers and administration were completed for the Martyr Abdulrab Al-Shaddadi School in Al-Jufaina Al-Ulya Camp for IDPs, with funding from the Malaysian MyCare Foundation and I-Kutsev Chain, The Undersecretary of Marib Governorate, Dr. Abdu Rabbo Miftah, attended the delivery ceremony, praising HUMAN ACCESS and MyCare Foundation for their efforts and support in implementing this important project that will help mitigate the severe overcrowding in the school and increase its capacity for displaced students.

According to Dr. Miftah, displacement is one of the factors leading to the decline in education enrollment, and this support can help increase enrollment opportunities for displaced children in school.



Hadramout and Taiz: Training program to enhance reproductive health concepts in governorates



HUMAN ACCESS launched a reproductive health training program in Hadramout and Taiz governorates, targeting dozens of midwives and nurse trainees, including those with special needs.

In Mukalla city on the Hadramout coast, a training program was organized entitled: (Enhancing reproductive health concepts for people with special needs) targeting 31 trainees. This includes trainees with special needs and midwives working in three health facilities: (Maifa Maternity and Childhood Center, Al-Dees Al-Sharqi Hospital, and Shihr Health Center), as part of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

During the three-day program, health personnel gained more skills and knowledge related to dealing with people with special needs, highlighting their right to obtain reproductive health services in an effective and comprehensive manner, as these services play a vital role in society as a whole.

In addition, 32 midwives and nurses were trained in three health facilities: (Maifa Maternity and Childhood Center, Al-Dees Al-Sharqi Hospital, and Shihr Health Center) on neonatal resuscitation and quality



of healthcare as part of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project. A critical benefit of the training was the enhancement of the skills of health personnel in order to improve the quality of life-saving reproductive health services, basic healthcare, and family health.

In Taiz Governorate: HUMAN ACCESS arranged a 3-day training program on promoting reproductive health concepts for people with special needs, which involved 20 trainees recruited from reproductive health service providers for people with special needs in health facilities as well as social workers and educators working with this group.

This comes within the context of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), as a significant part of the humanitarian response efforts in Yemen. As a result of the course, the trainees gained more skills and knowledge about how to best assist people with special needs, highlighting their right to obtain reproductive health services that are complete and effective, and which are also human rights that they should be entitled to receive on an equal basis with others.



Climate Change: Increased Risks for Yemenis, Solutions that Give Hope





Climate change is a global challenge. However, it poses a greater threat to Yemen, where the Yemeni people suffer from the consequences of the ongoing conflict, which has led to the deterioration of vital resources and increased the country's vulnerability to the effects of climate change, with the phenomenon of global warming spiraling out of control.

The dire humanitarian situation in Yemen is exacerbated by climate change-related risks, such as rising temperatures, drought, and desertification, as well as erratic rainfall patterns, flash floods,

and an increase in extreme weather events, which significantly impact water and food security, along with economic deterioration.

In 2024, heavy rains and torrential floods in most Yemeni governorates displaced more than one hundred thousand people and caused material losses estimated at about three hundred and fifty million dollars, according to official data.

In six years, Yemen has experienced six hurricanes. Government reports confirm that floods and torrents affected 30% of agricultural

land in just one year in a country that relies heavily on the agricultural sector, making the country one of the most vulnerable to climate change.

A recent World Bank Group report also predicted that Yemen's annual GDP would decline by 3.9% by 2040 if negative climate scenarios continue, exacerbating the poverty and unemployment crisis and leading to the spread of hunger throughout the country.

A previous report issued by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP)



predicted that Yemen would lose cumulatively \$93 billion in its GDP by 2060, and that an additional three million and eight hundred thousand people would suffer from malnutrition. Climate change is also expected to cause the death of more than one hundred and twenty-one thousand people.

This confirms the increased risks facing Yemen as a result of climate change. It also emphasizes the importance of providing practical and sustainable solutions to mitigate the risks associated with climate change and enhance disaster management

and response, as they are linked to the lives of millions of Yemenis, and because failure to take adequate measures to address these risks will cause major shocks that affect Yemenis.

Experts view the importance of having national strategies to address the negative effects of climate change. The best way to accomplish this is to strengthen institutional capacities and adopt sustainable policies that will adapt to climate change and mitigate its effects, improve natural resource management, help local communities cope with disasters, especially in rural

areas, and undertake other strategies.

Active presence to protect Yemenis from climate change threats

Yemen is one of the countries most vulnerable to the effects of climate change. According to a recent report by the World Bank Group, half of Yemenis face climate change threats such as extreme heat, drought, and floods, which significantly affect water and food security, in addition to economic deterioration.

Thus, HUMAN ACCESS, in



cooperation with partners, works to mitigate the increased risks facing Yemen as a result of climate change, by strengthening resilience, livelihoods, food security, access to basic services, and enabling the most vulnerable groups in society and local communities to adapt and recover.

Breaking the cycle of hunger and boosting food production

Hunger and poverty are becoming more widespread due to the climate crisis. In Yemen, more than half of the population suffers from food

insecurity. In order to break the cycle of hunger, HUMAN ACCESS distributes food baskets, ready-to-eat meals, as well as other resources to increase food availability and accessibility.

Due to the climate change's real threat to Yemen's food, HUMAN ACCESS supports professions associated with food production, such as livestock farming, which is a major food source in most Yemeni regions, contributing to the country's self-sufficiency and ability to adapt to climate change.

Expanding access to drinking water

Investing in safe drinking water and sanitation is a critical step to protect vulnerable populations from the impacts of climate change. Yemen is one of the world's most water-scarce countries, a problem exacerbated by climate change that is leading to increasingly low rainfall.

HUMAN ACCESS seeks to provide sustainable, climate-smart solutions to help communities most in need better manage water. The initiative includes drilling and



rehabilitating wells, installing solar-powered water pumps, supplying clean water through water tankers, and constructing toilets to increase sanitation accessibility.

Sustainable solutions to enhance resilience

The destruction of livelihoods of many families in Yemen has resulted from climate change and devastating floods. As a result, Yemenis are losing what remains of their livelihoods, deepening the economic crisis and causing more suffering for their communities, especially

those in rural areas. One of HUMAN ACCESS' sustainable solutions to climate change is to implement economic empowerment projects, such as vocational rehabilitation in income-generating crafts, and equipping beneficiaries with the financial resources and tools they need to practice the craft in order to enter the labor market, earn a living, and cope with climate change's effects.

Health response due to climate change

There are health challenges resulting from climate change that cost Yemen material

losses due to the spread of weather-related diseases, heavy rains that lead to the destruction of homes and infrastructure and the displacement of people. These challenges place additional pressure on an already severely weakened health system in the country. With an integrated approach to maintaining priority health interventions, with a particular emphasis on vulnerable groups, and addressing urgent humanitarian needs, HUMAN ACCESS' response to Yemen's health crisis plays a fundamental role in saving lives and avoiding the imminent collapse of the health



system.

Additionally, HUMAN ACCESS has accelerated to assist those affected through vital and necessary interventions, such as emergency shelter and non-food items, water, and food, to enhance the ability of those affected to recover and withstand climate crises.

A ray of hope and investment in the future

HUMAN ACCESS's efforts to help vulnerable people and communities overcome climate collapse reflect the full belief that investing in climate is an investment in the future. Such efforts are part of the

humanitarian aid efforts and a lifeline for beneficiaries.

There are many beneficiaries, including Ahmed Abdullah, 40, who lives in Al- Mahrah Governorate, one of Yemen's governorates that had unprecedented rains this year, which forced many families to flee their homes and made it hard for them to meet their food requirements. Thanks to HUMAN ACCESS's emergency relief, Ahmed and his family were able to obtain ready-to-eat meals and drinking water. Commenting on this, he said: "I was unable to buy my daily food, but you saved my life

and the life of my family."

In a special statement, Yahya Hasan Al-Dabaa, Head of HUMAN ACCESS, stressed the importance of these various humanitarian interventions to boost adaptation to climate change, adding: "We strive, along with partners and donors to address the effects of climate change, and we are determined to continue efforts to confront the repercussions of climate change and improve people's ability to adapt." He continued by saying: "HUMAN ACCESS efforts give hope to hundreds of thousands of beneficiaries in Yemen."

Volunteering Slows Biological Aging



A new study has revealed that volunteering for just one hour per week can slow biological aging, especially among retirees.

The study was conducted by researchers from Hackensack University in New Jersey, and the researchers concluded that weekly volunteer activity is important in slowing aging. The results showed that those who volunteered for one to four hours per week experienced slower biological aging compared to those who did not volunteer.

According to the study, the more someone volunteers, the more pronounced the health impact becomes, and that volunteering has a range of physical, social, and psychological benefits. Biological age measures the age of the body's cells and tissues and reveals how slowly or rapidly a person is aging compared to their chronological age, according to the study.

Social activity brings physical and emotional health

A Japanese study reported that volunteer work and regular social activity among older adults improves their physical and emotional health, helping them perform simple daily tasks efficiently.

The study, conducted by researchers at Nara Medical University in Japan, confirmed that social activities provide support and connection to older adults, which may delay the decline in their ability to perform their functions.

The researchers explained that older adults find it difficult to do things that make them feel independent, fearing falls and physical problems. However, those who participated in social activities, such as joining volunteer groups, were better able to perform their daily tasks than others.



Does volunteering extend biological age?

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Biological age measures the age of the body's cells and tissues, revealing how slowly or rapidly a person is aging compared to their chronological age, according to Health magazine.

Volunteering can also help you live longer, due to a range of physical, social, and psychological benefits.

The researchers analyzed self-reported data from 2,605 Americans aged 62 and older.

The researchers examined how often participants volunteered, noted whether they were employed or retired, and determined their biological ages

using advanced tools for measuring cellular aging. Other health variables affect biological aging, including frequency of physical activity, smoking status, excessive alcohol consumption, and obesity. The researchers concluded that weekly volunteer activity is important in slowing aging. The results showed that those who volunteered for one to four hours per week experienced slower biological aging compared to those who did not volunteer. Retirees appeared to benefit the most, and the more someone volunteered, the more pronounced the health impact became.

Volunteering for more than four hours per week was associated with the greatest reduction in accelerated biological aging.



Protection Services

Consultative meeting recommends drafting a law to criminalize FGM and underage marriage

Under the auspices of the Ministry of Public Health and Population, and in partnership with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), HUMAN ACCESS in Aden Governorate organized a consultative meeting on adopting a national strategy to end and criminalize the practice of female genital mutilation (FGM) in Yemen by 2030. A meeting attended by 30 participants from official bodies and civil society organizations recommended drafting a law criminalizing FGM and underage marriage as part of the FGM project. The meeting also emphasized the need to launch awareness campaigns to mitigate the risks of this phenomenon, which leads to long-term negative physical, psychological, and social consequences. The Director General of Women's Development at the Ministry of Public Health and Population, Dr. Zainab

Al-Qaisi, stressed the need to cooperate between government agencies and civil society to combat the phenomenon of female genital mutilation and mitigate these wrong practices.

For her part, the UNFPA Gender Officer in Aden, Ms. Elizabeth Kigen, pointed out the need to boost cooperation between government agencies and civil society organizations. She also appreciated the HUMAN ACCESS's efforts in adopting the national strategy to end and criminalize FGM and protect girls from such dangerous practices.

The meeting was attended by representatives of the Ministry of Interior, the Ministry of Justice, the Ministry of Legal Affairs, the Ministry of Human Rights, the Yemeni Women's Union, and civil society organizations.



Distribution of 240 dignity kits to vulnerable women and girls

HUMAN ACCESS in Marib Governorate distributed 240 dignity kits containing essential supplies, especially for women, as part of the project to provide livelihood services to the most vulnerable women and girls in Yemen, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

100 bags were distributed in Al Wadi District, targeting women and girls with special needs, to meet the essential needs of this vulnerable segment, and in the belief that disability rights are human rights. Among the beneficiaries were eight girls from a sin-

gle family of 11, all of whom suffer from disabilities. Meanwhile, 140 bags were distributed in Al-Rawda area and Al-Mil IDP camps, according to precise criteria. The distribution targeted new beneficiaries from the most vulnerable groups, including pregnant and breastfeeding women, those suffering from illnesses, the elderly, victims of gender-based violence, and others. The goal was to alleviate the suffering of women and girls living in vulnerable situations and mitigate risks to protect women



Memo of Understanding to Issue Identity Documents for the Most Vulnerable Women



HUMAN ACCESS in Shabwah Governorate signed a memorandum of understanding with the Civil Status and Civil Registry Authority in Ataq City to issue identity documents for 34 women who benefit from the Livelihood Services for the Most Vulnerable Women and Girls in Yemen project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

The signed agreement is part of legal support services and includes a mechanism for receiving cases and procedures for issuing personal documents, which are key to accessing vital services, education, and rights.

Without these documents, families face significant barriers to receiving aid and accessing opportunities, exacerbating the challenges they already face.

Ongoing efforts to promote women's empowerment in Yemen



HUMAN ACCESS in Shabwah and Marib governorates performed a series of important activities as part of the project "Providing Livelihood Services for the Most Vulnerable Women and Girls in Yemen," funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), to build a future where women's empowerment is a reality.

In Shabwah, an awareness-raising session titled "Gender and Its Impact" was held in the city of Ataq, attended by 25 female students from the Health Institute. The session focused on promoting gender concepts, their connection to justice and human rights, and the need to respect, protect, and support the rights and empowerment of women and girls.

In Marib, a life, financial, and marketing skills program was concluded in Al-Rawdah area and Al-Mil camps for 18 women beneficiaries of vocational training in sewing and confectionery/ pastries.

The training equipped them with basic life, marketing, and financial skills, preparing them to enter the labor market and start their own businesses.

In Wadi Marib, a training program in hairdressing and beauty was launched for nine women beneficiaries. Furthermore, 200 dignity kits were distributed to the most vulnerable women, and awareness-raising and psychological support activities were conducted on a number of issues, including the dangers of early marriage, the need to obtain identity cards, and psychological disorders.



Continuous Efforts to Provide Further Protection for Women and Girls



HUMAN ACCESS implemented a number of targeted activities in the governorates of Hadhramaut, Shabwah, and Marib. These activities are part of the project "Providing Livelihood Services for the Most Vulnerable Women and Girls in Yemen," funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). The project aims to empower women, protect their rights, and enhance their participation in all development activities. In the city of Mukalla in Hadhramaut, dignity kits were delivered to 50 women. The kits included personal hygiene and health supplies, which contribute to promoting public health and prevention. These kits are essential aid provided to the most vulnerable women and girls during humanitarian crises.

In Shabwah, a psychological support session was held in the city of Ataq for beneficiaries of vocational training in hairdressing. The session focused on the psychological pressures women and girls face in their daily and professional lives. The goal is to promote mental health, which is a fundamental pillar of success and stability in the labor market. In Marib, a series of activities were organized in Al-Wadi District, including the launch of a sewing training course for 9 women, in preparation for their integration into the labor market and earning a living. The program also distributed 300 dignity bags, held a focus group discussion attended by 15 women, and conducted community awareness activities for 350 beneficiaries, as well as providing psychological support to 100 women to enhance mental health and build self-confidence.



Positive Measures to Expand Women's Rights



HUMAN ACCESS in Aden, Shabwa, and Marib governorates implemented a wide range of important activities within the protection and livelihood support project “Safe Space for Women and Girls” funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), to provide more protection for women’s basic rights in Yemen.

In Aden, the safe space in Dar Saad district carried out two training courses in life skills, finance, and marketing for 24 beneficiaries of vocational rehabilitation in sewing and incense making to equip them with basic life, marketing, and financial skills and prepare them to join the labor market and launch their own businesses.

In Shabwa, the safe space in Ataq city delivered economic empowerment grants to 12 women beneficiaries of vocational rehabilitation in sewing and incense and perfume making. They were given toolkits to practice the craft to enter the labor market and earn a living in a ceremony attended by Ali Omair, Director General of the Social Affairs and Labor Office in Shabwa, and Abdullah Al-Khalifi, Director General of Ataq district.

Marib’s safe space in Al-Jufinah area performed a field visit to determine whether training cases were eligible in preparation for the rehabilitation of vulnerable and needy women and girls and their economic empowerment.

Additionally, a program on life, financial, and marketing



skills was implemented for sewing and hairdressing vocational training recipients.

The safe space also hosted three awareness sessions.

The first centered around utilizing resources and opportunities, attended by 29 women, and the second focused on early and forced marriages, as well as the causes and risks associated with these social phenomena to families and society as a whole.

As for the third session, it addressed family dialogue and its importance in achieving family balance and stability. In Al-Matar area, the safe space hosted a life, financial, and marketing skills program for 26 beneficiaries of vocational training, in addition to implementing a field visit to examine the eligibility of training cases.

The space also held a community awareness session entitled “Benefiting from Opportunities”, attended by 15 women. In Rawda and Al-Mil camps, the safe space organized a training program in hairdressing and beauty for 12 female beneficiaries to qualify them with the skills necessary for this income-generating craft.

Meanwhile, the safe space in Al-Mujamma area completed a legal awareness program targeting students of Balqis Girls School regarding the various and important legal services the safe space provides to protect the rights of women and girls.





Economic Empowerment

Empowerment and dignity bags for 60 women in Taiz

HUMAN ACCESS in Taiz Governorate awarded economic empowerment toolkits to 20 women in the fields of sewing and tailoring, hairdressing and beauty, in addition to the delivery of dignity bags to 40 women in Al-Ma'afer District, as part of the project to provide livelihood services to the most vulnerable women and girls in Yemen, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

The distribution process took place in the presence of Mohammed Ali Fare', Secretary-General of the Local Council in Al-Ma'afer District, and a number of local officials.

After receiving vocational rehabilitation, the beneficiaries were provided with economic empowerment bags which included vocational supplies to help them enter the labor market and earn a living. The dignity bags contained basic materials and supplies for women and girls.

The beneficiaries expressed great delight at receiving this humanitarian support that aimed to create a positive and sustainable impact in society in accordance with sustainable development goals.



Livelihood grants delivered to 20 women in Marib

HUMAN ACCESS in Marib Governorate delivered livelihood grants to 20 women in Al-Wadi District after they completed vocational training in sewing and tailoring, accessory making, and incense and perfume making. This is part of the project "Providing Livelihood Services for the Most Vulnerable Women and Girls in Yemen," funded by the United Nations Population Fund

(UNFPA). The distribution process was attended by Dhafer Talib, Director of the Executive Unit for IDP Camp Management in Wadi Marib District. The distributed grants helped improve the living conditions of families and the most vulnerable groups, enabling them to become economically self-sufficient amid the difficult conditions facing the country due

to the ongoing conflict. In Al-Mujamma area, economic empowerment grants were given to 24 women beneficiaries of vocational training in sewing, hairdressing, and pastry making. This grant enables vulnerable families to obtain a sustainable source of income and transform them into productive, self-reliant households.



Delivering start-up toolkits to 24 refugees



HUMAN ACCESS has awarded livelihood grants to 24 male and female refugees in Kharaz refugee camp in Lahj governorate as part of the Livelihoods Interventions for Refugees in Yemen project, funded by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). The start-up toolkits were delivered to the benefi-



ciary refugees after they were qualified and professionally trained in the fields of: general electricity, solar energy extension, auto mechanics, car electricity, refrigeration and air conditioning, sewing and embroidery, and hairdressing, to help them improve their quality of life due to the increasing humanitarian needs and challenges.

A bazaar to display products of beneficiaries of economic empowerment in Marib



In the presence of the Undersecretary of Marib Governorate, Dr. Abdo Rabbu Miftah, the fifth annual bazaar was launched to display products of beneficiaries of vocational rehabilitation and economic empowerment, within the context of the Protection and Livelihood Support Project “Safe Space for Women and Girls”, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). The fifth annual bazaar included various corners, such as clothing and embroidery, pastries/ sweets, popular foods, perfumes and incense, handicrafts, mobile phone maintenance, and engraving and henna.

As a result of the bazaar, the beneficiaries were able to introduce their products and creativity to the public, develop their capabilities and talents, and create marketing opportunities for their products. The Undersecretary Miftah praised the diverse products produced by the beneficiary women during the opening, which reflected creative design, mastery of performance, and quality workmanship, emphasizing the need to enhance the abilities of the most vulnerable and needy women through training, rehabilitation, and empowerment so they can join the labor market and become productive citizens.



Distribution of start-up kits to 32 refugee women and girls

In partnership with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), HUMAN ACCESS in Aden Governorate granted start-up toolkits in the fields of sewing,

hairdressing and beauty, and incense and perfume making to 32 refugee women and girls. Following the completion of vocational training and obtaining the necessary skills to begin the craft, the toolkits are delivered.

Due to the difficult conditions the country is experiencing, the objective is to create job opportunities for refugees, to increase their role in community development, and to improve refugee families' living conditions.





Health Services

Agreement to construct a medical unit in Mayfa'a al-Sufal, Hadhramaut

In the presence of Hadhramaut Governor Mabkhout bin Madi, HUMAN ACCESS signed an agreement with the local authorities in Mukalla to implement a project to build a medical unit in the Mayfa'a al-Sufal area (the Kuwait Health Center), in Broom Mayfa'a District. The project is funded by the Sheikh Abdullah al-Nouri Charitable Society - Kuwait.

The project represents the nucleus of a future hospital in the region. The medical unit's services will reach more than 20,000 people. The signed agreement involves the completion of all construction work for the health unit and the provision of the necessary medical equipment and supplies to deliver high-quality medical services within ten months.

The building will cover an area of 380 square meters and consist of two floors. Services will include general clinics, obstetric emergency departments, primary care, emergency, maternal and child health, laboratory and pharmacy services, and reception and waiting areas. The new health unit will have a capacity of 35 beds, which can be expanded. The signing of the agreement was attended by the Undersecretary of Hadhramaut Governorate for Technical Affairs, Eng. Amin Barzaiq, the Director General of the Public Health and Population Office in the Hadhramaut Coast, Dr. Mohammed Al-Jumahi, the Director General of the Legal Affairs Office, Salem Kunaid, and the Director General of the Broom Mayfa'a District, Dr. Khaled Al-Juhi.



Establishment of a medical camp for urology in Mukalla

HUMAN ACCESS in Hadhramaut Governorate launched the third free urology surgery and endoscopy camp in Mukalla. With funding from the Abdullah Al-Mutawa Charitable Fund and supervised by the Development Charity Association, the camp aims to respond to the medical needs of the most vulnerable and needy groups. The camp was inaugurated in the presence of Dr. Ahmed Ba Sareeh, Undersecretary of Hadhramaut Governorate. A total of 100 Hajr District residents had endoscopic surgeries at the camp and were examined at Hadhramaut Modern Hospital. The medical camp helped mitigate the suffering of the beneficiary patients.



Al-Mahrah's Sayhut General Hospital receives medicines and medical supplies

HUMAN ACCESS in Al-Mahrah Governorate delivered medicines, medical supplies, laboratory solutions, and hygiene materials to the Reproductive Health Department at Sayhut General Hospital in Sayhut District. This delivery is part of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). The delivery took place in the presence of the Acting Secretary-General of the Local Council in Sayhut District, Abdullah Awad Ba Abdo, who commended the support of HUMAN ACCESS and UNFPA for restoring access to reproductive health services and meeting the population's growing need for these life-saving services. Additionally, a quantity of medical supplies for natural childbirth was delivered to the Women's Development Department in Sayhut District for distribution to the district's specialized midwives, providing women and mothers with the best chance of health and survival and enhancing basic healthcare.



In Aden: Health support to ensure safe return of 157 refugees to their homeland

HUMAN ACCESS provided healthcare to 157 Somali refugees who were voluntarily returning to their country of origin - Somalia, who were in Mu'alla Port in the Aden Governorate - preparing for their boat journey back to the Somali port of Berbera. This initiative is part of an integrated project within the Voluntary Return Program, funded by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). For the voluntary returnees, medical examinations

were conducted so that their health status could be assessed, as well as their ability to withstand the long sea journey,

The project also offered necessary medications in quantities sufficient for a month for cases suffering from chronic or mental illnesses, based on prescriptions approved by specialized doctors. Additionally, the program provided some important health guidelines to help support refugees' health.





Al-Ghaydah Central Hospital receives a new batch of medical supplies

HUMAN ACCESS in Al Mahrah Governorate delivered a new batch of medicines and medical supplies to the obstetric emergency department at Al Ghaydah Central Hospital. This delivery is part of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), an important part of the humanitarian response efforts in Yemen. The handover ceremony was attended by the First Deputy Governor of Al Mahrah, Dr. Mukhtar Al Jaafari, the Director General of the Health Office in the Governorate, Dr. Awad Mubarak Saad, and the Director General of Al Ghaydah

Central Hospital, Mohsen Ahmed Balhaf.

During the handover, Undersecretary Al-Jaafari emphasized the importance of this qualitative support, which contributes to enhancing the quality of reproductive health services and maternal and child healthcare at Al-Ghaydah Hospital, mitigates the suffering of patients, and enhances the capabilities of medical staff to provide care at the highest standards.

Undersecretary Al-Jaafari commended the UNFPA role in supporting medical supplies and health projects, as well as HUMAN ACCESS' efforts in ongoing coordination and

cooperation with official authorities in Al-Mahrah, and its contribution to maintaining essential health services for the most vulnerable groups. For his part, the Director of Al-Ghaydah Hospital explained that this significant support, which the hospital receives on a quarterly basis, covers a significant portion of the needs of the obstetric emergency department. He expressed his gratitude to the entities supporting and implementing the project, which aims to enhance access to basic reproductive health services and increase survival rates.



Emergency reproductive health kits distribution in four governorates



HUMAN ACCESS distributed emergency reproductive health kits to 10 targeted health facilities in the governorates of Hadhramaut, Al-Mahrah, Taiz, and Lahj. This was part of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

In addition to providing medicines and medical supplies for emergency reproductive health, the kits strengthened the health sector and restored access to lifesaving reproductive health services, which is among Yemen's most urgent humanitarian needs.



In Aden: Medical camp for early detection of breast and cervical cancer



Funded by Human Appeal and in collaboration with the National Cancer Control Foundation, HUMAN ACCESS in Aden Governorate organized a visiting physician camp for early detection of breast and cervical cancer. A main goal of the camp is to spread awareness of this disease among women and to combat it.

96 women attended a two-day medical camp held at Al-Basateen Charitable Medical Center, which focused on breast and cervical cancer symptoms and methods to prevent it.

Medical examinations were also conducted for 39 women who were experiencing symptoms, with 12 cases identified as requiring medical intervention.

October marks the annual “Pink October” global event to raise awareness about breast cancer, which is the leading type of cancer affecting women worldwide. Educating the public and encouraging preventative health programs will ensure early detection of this disease, thereby contributing to its reduction. It’s worth noting that HUMAN ACCESS manages Al-Basateen Charitable Medical Center in Dar Saad District, in partnership with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). This is part of the refugee health project implemented in Al-Basatin and Kharaz areas of Aden and Lahj governorates to serve refugees, providing a range of essential services to this most vulnerable group.

Al-Mahrah public health office commends HUMAN ACCESS interventions

Dr. Awad Mubarak, Director General of the Public Health and Population Office in Al-Mahrah Governorate, hailed HUMAN ACCESS’ interventions for upgrading the health sector’s capability and saving lives. This came during a meeting with a HUMAN ACCESS delegation in the governorate to discuss humanitarian opportunities and interventions for improving basic health services and reaching the high levels of health.





Relief services

2,336 IDPs in Hodeidah benefit from food supplies

With funding from the Turkish Red Crescent, HUMAN ACCESS in Hodeidah Governorate distributed 470 food baskets containing basic food supplies to 2,336 IDPs affected by floods in Al-Khawkhah District, addressing urgent humanitarian needs.

During the distribution, Jamal Al-Mashrai, Director of the

Executive Unit for IDP Camps in Hodeidah, praised HUMAN ACCESS' efforts and the Turkish Red Crescent's support for alleviating the suffering of the most vulnerable and needy IDPs and strengthening their ability to recover and withstand crises.



9,793 refugees in Lahj receive food aid

In partnership with the World Food Program (WFP) and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), HUMAN ACCESS in Lahj Governorate distributed food aid to 9,793 refugees in Kharaz camp.

The goal is to secure the livelihoods of refugees stranded in Yemen, increase the availability and safe access to food, and make a significant impact on the lives of the most vulnerable and needy refugees.



Food baskets for 200 displaced families in Hodeidah

In partnership with Balad Al-Khair Association, HUMAN ACCESS in Hodeidah Governorate distributed food baskets containing flour, sugar, rice, cooking oil, dates, and legumes to 200 displaced families in

Al-Khawkhah District. The purpose of this initiative is to address urgent humanitarian needs, mitigate the suffering of the most vulnerable and needy IDPs, and enhance their resilience in the face of crises.





Training activities

Vocational rehabilitation to mitigate orphan families suffering, launch the 3rd edition of “My Craft is Safe” program in Hadhramaut Coast

HUMAN ACCESS in Hadhramaut Governorate organized two training courses in sewing and cooking for 41 female trainees from the orphanage and families supporting orphans in Ghayl Bawazir District. This training was part of the third edition of the “My Craft is Safe” program, under the supervision of the Ministry of Technical Education and Vocational Training Office in the Hadhramaut Coast.

The courses were attended by Salem Bawazir, Director General of the District, and Ahmed Omar, Director of the Social Affairs and Labor Office in the District.

By taking these two courses, the female trainees were able to rehabilitate themselves while acquiring

the skills of sewing and cooking, enabling them to diversify their sources of income.

In the city of Mukalla, HUMAN ACCESS launched the third edition of the “My Craft is Safe” program, with funding from Sheikh Abdullah Al-Nouri Charitable Society - Kuwait. The program targeted 50 beneficiaries from orphans and families supporting orphans in five vocational fields: computers, sewing and embroidery, hairdressing and beauty, modern cooking, and electronics.

The programme has helped equip beneficiaries with vocational skills, create sustainable job opportunities to provide income, and alleviate the suffering of orphan families.



Training programs in Taiz and Marib

HUMAN ACCESS conducted training courses as part of the Protection and Livelihoods Support Project "Safe Space for Women and Girls," funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), to empower women economically and enhance their presence in society.

In Taiz Governorate: The Safe Space in Al-Mudhaffar District

held a training course targeting 10 women from the Protection Committees and 6 men from the Peer Network. The training introduced the concepts of protection and gender-based violence to enhance community participation in addressing violence-related challenges.

In Marib Governorate: In Al-Ju-finah and Al-Matar districts, the

Safe Space hosted two training courses on life skills, finance, and marketing for 44 beneficiaries of the Livelihoods Program. The training empowered them with basic life, marketing, and financial skills, preparing them to enter the labor market and start their own businesses.



Training programs on contraceptive package in Al-Mahrah

HUMAN ACCESS in Al-Mahrah Governorate conducted two training courses for 60 staff at Al-Ghaydah Central Hospital on the contraceptive package, resuscitation, and the use of modern instillation devices. This training is part of the ongoing support provided by the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). A similar training course was also conducted for 20 staff members in the reproductive health department at Sayhut General Hospital in Sayhut District, as part of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by UNFPA. These courses, supervised by the Public Health and

Population Office in the district, are part of a series of targeted courses aimed at equipping reproductive health workers with additional skills and information, and contributing to improving the quality of reproductive health services.

Dr. Awad Mubarak, Director General of the Public Health and Population Office in Al-Mahrah, praised the support of HUMAN ACCESS and UNFPA for enhancing the performance of health workers. He emphasized the importance of training health workers and enhancing their skills to improve the quality of health services provided to beneficiaries, particularly life-saving reproductive health services.



Participatory Evaluation within the Integrated Refugee Project



The HUMAN ACCESS team in Lahj Governorate organized 23 focus group discussions with refugees in Kharaz Camp and beneficiaries of the integrated project, funded by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). The key objective was to conduct a multi-sector evaluation of the project, which benefits approximately 9,000 refugees in the camp, in addition to nearly 3,000 beneficiaries from the host community.

These three-day sessions were held each year to identify protection gaps and existing risks, as well as determine how to close gaps and mitigate risks. A key objective of the project is to enhance overall protection of refugees and asylum seekers, improve planning processes, and boost humanitarian interventions in the coming phase to support refugees in Yemen.

19 refugee women trained in straw production in Lahj

With funding from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), HUMAN ACCESS in Lahj Governorate trained 19 refugee women in Kharaz refugee camp in straw production. This training provided them with skills in this in-

come-generating craft, helping them integrate into the labor market, earn a living, and contribute to the Yemeni economy. This training is part of the Livelihoods Program for the Most Vulnerable Refugees.



Conclusion of Economic Empowerment Project for Orphan Families in Yemen

HUMAN ACCESS has concluded the “Earn Good 5” economic empowerment project for orphan families in Yemen. Funded by the International Islamic Charity Organization, the project aims to provide a stable source of development that guarantees a decent life for orphans, increases their ability to cope with the economic consequences of losing their breadwinner, and makes a significant impact on their lives. The project targeted 64 families supporting orphans

in the governorates of Hadhramaut, Al Mahrah, Shabwa, and Taiz, by training them in managing small projects and empowering them economically in income-generating fields, namely: “sewing, purchasing a snack cart, a clothing stall, watermelon cultivation, perfume and incense production, confectionery and pastry production, a design and printing shop, a barbershop, a dairy cow, and sheep breeding.”



Educational programs for orphan project in three governorates

In partnership with the International Islamic Charitable Organization, HUMAN ACCESS launched the educational programs for orphans project, benefiting 500 orphans in Hadhramaut, Taiz, and Marib governorates.

In addition to educational, rehabilitation, and recreational activities, the project targeted the development of cognitive, cultural, educational, and moral abilities in the orphan beneficiaries.



Second phase of (My Craft in My Hands) project to rehabilitate 235 young men and women



In partnership with the International Islamic Charity Organization, HUMAN ACCESS launched the second phase of My Craft is in My Hands project to rehabilitate and train 235 young men and women in the governorates of Hadhramaut, Marib, and Taiz, and to empower the economically distinguished among them to help them enter the labor market and launch their own businesses. The second phase of the project is designed to equip beneficiaries with professional and

craft skills according to high professional foundations in the fields of: sewing and embroidery, mobile maintenance, confectionery and pastry making, montage and video production, financial planning and budget preparation, design and graphics, hairdressing and beauty. Rehabilitation programs like this will help decrease unemployment, create new job opportunities, improve livelihoods, alleviate human suffering, and limit economic decline in the country.



Distribution of Eid Clothing to 530 Orphans



With funding from the Wifa Association, HUMAN ACCESS distributed Eid clothing to 530 male and female orphans in Marib and Taiz governorates. The distribution of Eid clothing is

part of ongoing efforts to mitigate the suffering of Yemen's most vulnerable orphans and enable them to celebrate Eid al-Adha with dignity and joy. This social occasion deepens

the values of giving and fosters a sense of community cooperation and solidarity, amid one of the world's most challenging humanitarian crises.



Hadhramaut: Agreement to establish urology surgery and endoscopy camp

HUMAN ACCESS in Hadhramaut Governorate signed an agreement with Hadhramaut Hospital in Mukalla to launch the third free urology surgery and endoscopy camp. The agreement is funded by the Abdullah Al-Mutawa Charitable Fund and supervised by the Ministry of Public Health and the

governorate's local authorities. The signing ceremony was attended by Dr. Ahmed Ba Sareeh, Undersecretary of Hadhramaut Governorate, and Dr. Faiza Al-Amoudi, Deputy Director General of the Ministry of Public Health Office in Hadhramaut Coast. The medical camp targeted 95

people from the Hajr District to undergo endoscopic surgeries. For impoverished patients, free medical camps offer a window of hope, helping to save their lives and ease the pain that has troubled them for years.



Local authority in Sayhut district honors HUMAN ACCESS

The local authority in Sayhut District, Al-Mahrah Governorate, honored HUMAN ACCESS in appreciation of its efforts and support for the Reproductive Health Department at Sayhut General Hospital, as part of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). In the presence of the Director of the Public Health

and Population Office in the district, Saeed Mubarak, the Acting Secretary-General of the Sayhut Local Council, Abdullah Awad Ba Abdo, praised this public health support aimed at restoring access to reproductive healthcare services and responding to the population's growing needs for such life-saving services.



UNFPA delegation visits Taiz health facilities for RH services

A delegation from the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) visited health facilities in Taiz Governorate covered by the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, run by HUMAN ACCESS and funded by UNFPA, as a vital part of the humanitarian response efforts in Yemen.

The visit involved Al-Mudhaffar, Al-Yemeni Al-Suwaidi, and Al-Misrakh hub hospitals in Al-Mudhaffar, Al-Qahirah, and Al-Misrakh districts. The visiting delegation included Dr. Jean-Paul, Director of the UNFPA Office in Aden, and Dr. Arwa Shaker, Reproductive Health Coordinator at the Aden UNFPA Office, accompanied

by Dr. Abdulrahman Al-Sabri, Director General of the Public Health and Population Office in Taiz.

The visiting delegation reviewed the progress of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project in these health facilities, commending the efforts made to improve the quality of these essential services and help save the lives of mothers and newborns during childbirth.

The visit coincided with the implementation of an awareness campaign to promote maternal and newborn health, targeting several districts in Aden and Taiz governorates.



UNHCR Marib Director Visits HUMAN ACCESS

HUMAN ACCESS in Aden Governorate received Mr. Shikaljim Shehu, Director of the UNHCR Office in Marib Governorate, who briefed him on the activities of the three-sector integrated project aimed at improving the lives

of vulnerable displaced persons amidst the increasing humanitarian needs in Yemen. HUMAN ACCESS implements the three-sector integrated project in Marib in partnership with the United Nations High Commissioner for

Refugees (UNHCR). It includes protection, shelter, and camp management sectors to protect the most vulnerable displaced persons and alleviate their suffering.



UN, international delegation reviews

HUMAN ACCESS interventions in Taiz

Director of the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), Markus Wenne, along with representatives from the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) and the Swiss Development Cooperation Agency, visited several HUMAN ACCESS interventions in Taiz

Governorate, funded by the Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF) as part of the Integrated Response Support Project to Improve Basic Services for the Most Vulnerable Communities.

Part of the visit was to the sewage line extension project in Shi'b Al-Haddadin area of Al-Mudhaffar District, Al-Wahda Center in Al-

Dhabua'a area, and a psychiatric and neurological hospital. During the visit, OCHA Director praised the significant humanitarian services offered by HUMAN ACCESS, which have had a significant impact on the beneficiaries' lives.



Anti-violence program officer reviews safe space performance in Mukalla

HUMAN ACCESS in the Hadramaut Coast received Ms. Elizabeth Kigen, the UNFPA gender-based violence program officer in Yemen, who visited the safe spaces for women and girls in Mukalla to review efforts to enhance women's participation in society. Ms. Kigen commended the activities' performance, which prioritize women's rights and needs. HUMAN ACCESS is currently implementing the "Safe Space for Women and Girls" Protection and Liveli-

hood Support Project in several Yemeni governorates, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). The project serves as a key platform for support, awareness-raising, and capacity-building, offering platforms for expressing women's issues, recreational activities, and promoting the participation and economic empowerment of the most vulnerable families in the community.



Success story

Rehabilitating Damaged Homes

A Dream Comes True



In Yemen, some homes have been completely destroyed, while others have sustained some form of damage due to the devastating conflict. This includes the home of Ahmed Ali, 38, in Harib District of Marib Governorate. It has been transformed into an uninhabitable home, with no doors or windows, and cracked walls bemoaning the ravages of time. Describing his ordeal, Ahmed said, "Because of the war, my home was damaged, and due to my difficult circumstances, I was unable to repair it. My five children and I were forced to live in one room after blocking its windows with available tools. Our lives are difficult, with no privacy, and we are exposed to danger. We are forced to do so because the repairs require large sums of money beyond my means." The situation of Ahmed, and many others like him throughout Yemen, calls for the construction and rehabilitation of conflict-damaged homes as a necessary component of the recovery and growth approach, which contributes to achieving sustainable development for all.

For this reason, the rehabilitation program for war-damaged homes, part of the integrated, three-cluster project implemented by HUMAN ACCESS, funded by UNHCR, aims to improve the quality of life for those affected. 100 families in Harib District benefited from this program during 2024. Without this critical support, these families will be unable to rehabilitate their damaged homes, given the dire living and humanitarian conditions. Ahmed confirms this, saying, "We barely make ends meet, and construction tools are very expensive. I can't even afford a single window given the harsh conditions in the country."

This is why Ahmed's feelings after his home's rehabilitation were indescribable. He said, "It was like a dream. I couldn't believe my eyes when I saw my home in this new, beautiful shape. My joyfulness was as great as the universe. My family and I felt dignity, stability, and security. Thank you is not enough."





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