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A young girl with dark hair, wearing a light-colored patterned sweater, is holding a baby in her arms. The baby is wearing a striped sweater and light-colored pants. The background is a plain, light-colored wall. The overall tone is somber and humanitarian.

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YEARS  
**Development  
And Giving**  
1990 - 2023



March 19th marks the 33rd anniversary of HUMAN ACCESS association. Through it, ACCESS played the role of defending human rights and dignity, and provided direct aid to the poor and needy, the sick, the marginalized, the displaced and refugees.

In addition, the association worked tirelessly with local partners and international donors to protect, empower, and support vulnerable groups in society in order to ensure that they obtain their human rights and protect women, children, orphans, and other needy groups in society. The association has become a milestone in the establishment, development and advancement of humanitarian work in Yemen and the region together.

And based on its strategic vision, the realization of its prominent humanitarian mission, and its relentless pursuit to achieve its renewable goals and objectives, HUMAN ACCESS targeted the most important vital sectors such as food, education, health, healthy nutrition, water, environmental sanitation, shelter, protection, and other essential, and most urgent sectors for beneficiar-

ies in various fields of life.

HUMAN ACCESS has made its way through these three decades, adhering to international humanitarian standards, taking into account the working conditions and environment with full responsibility, transparency and independence, with entire commitment to the principles of partnership and effective coordination. Consequently, it has gained increased confidence among its partners and received widespread international and regional recognition.

Through its long experience and thanks to its distinguished partnership and work with success partners, HUMAN ACCESS has lines of experience, strength, adaptive standards, flexibility, good reputation, renewed confidence, qualified cadres and work teams capable of reaching hard-to-reach areas.

The association, God willing, will remain impulsive in its humanitarian path, as flowing rivers that quench thirsty hearts day and night, as seeds of goodness and love, and as a beacon of light illuminating the paths of all Yemen's vulnerable.

**Yahya Hasan Al-Daba**  
**Head of HUMAN ACCESS**





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# Qurbani

## and Eid Clothing 2023

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HUMAN ACCESS has adopted and implemented the Qurbani Meat Distribution Project since 1992 targeting 200,000 poor families, needy people, orphans, people with chronic diseases, internal displaced people, and refugees in various governorates of the Republic of Yemen.

HUMAN ACCESS will also implement a project for distribution of Eid Al-Adha clothes for poor people targeting (20,000) male and female children.

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#### QURBANI PROPOSAL

For displaced people, poor and affected families, widows and orphans

##### Target beneficiaries

**200,000 poor families**

All the governorates of the Republic of Yemen

##### Portion per family

A quarter of a sheep/goat or its equivalent of cow/camel meat for each family



\$ 120

Sheep & goats



\$ 900

Cows



\$ 1,200

Camel

#### EID CLOTHING

for orphans, sons and daughters of poor and internally displaced people.

##### Target beneficiaries

**20,000 Baby**



\$ 25

Eid clothing

In collaboration with Global Ehsan Relief,  
**HUMAN ACCESS** launches a specialized center  
 for child malnutrition treatment in Marib



With funding from the Malaysian Global Ehsan Relief organization, and within the efforts to expand the scope of treatment and prevention services for malnutrition, HUMAN ACCESS in Marib Governorate launched the first phase of a child malnutrition treatment center at Kara General Hospital in Al-Wadi district.

The first phase included the construction of a 4-storey building with a basement, in addition to modern furnishings and equipment.

In his remarks at the inauguration, Abdullah Al-Bakri, the Undersecretary of Marib Governorate, commended the quality and development of this project

that will benefit thousands of children and fight malnutrition diseases, which are spreading in Yemen due to poor living and economic conditions, expressing gratitude to HUMAN ACCESS and Malaysian Global Ehsan Relief Foundation.

In his view, Yahya al-Daba, head of HUMAN ACCESS, expected that the second phase of building the center to be completed by the first quarter of 2023, mentioning the fact that the center features several departments and specialized clinics with a capacity of 40 beds and is the first center in Marib dedicated to treating child malnutrition.



## Ramadan charity projects reach over 479.614 people across Yemen

In a great success, HUMAN ACCESS reached 479.614 individuals with Ramadan charity projects for this year 1444 AH - 2023 during the holy month of Ramadan in most of the governorates of Yemen in partnership with many donor organizations, supportive agencies and philanthropists to alleviate the living difficulties faced by citizens.

In line with the meaning of Ramadan as a holy month of giving, benevolence, and touching the needs of others, these projects were intended to meet the basic needs of those groups most in need of food during the holy month, and within the framework of HUMAN ACCESS' desire to support those in need.

Ramadan charity projects this year included distributing food baskets to 138.624 people, providing iftar (breakfast) meals to 186.725 individuals, and delivering clothes and Eid gifts to 5957 boys and girls, in addition to distributing dates to 101196 people. The projects also involved the handover of cash and in-kind amounts to 47.112 beneficiaries.

With the implementation of projects, the targeted people were able to spend the holy month in peace

and stability and receive the blessings of the holy month. These initiatives also brought joy and happiness to the hearts of the beneficiaries, the poor, the needy, the displaced and the orphans, alleviating their suffering and making a positive difference in their lives and the lives of their families.

As HUMAN ACCESS Head Yahya Al-Daba stated in a special statement, Ramadan charity projects are intended to help poor and needy families because of the increasing cases of poverty, hunger, malnutrition, and unemployment, and these projects are the result of many years of experience, efficiency and reliability in the humanitarian field.

The Head of the organization confirmed that the Ramadan projects work to establish the values and meanings of solidarity and compassion, and embody the bonds of brotherhood that our religion emphasized, referring to the process of selecting the targets and focusing on the areas where the greatest need is.

Al-Daba extended his thanks and appreciation to the philanthropists and various donors who participated with HUMAN ACCESS organization in charitable





work and humanitarian initiatives and funded Ramadan charity projects this year to provide necessary support to various segments of society in the country.

It should be noted that a Ramadan project has been implemented every year by HUMAN ACCESS since its establishment in 1990 for the benefit of poor and needy families. It is still and will continue to help the poor and vulnerable groups that suffer from excep-

tional conditions to relieve their anguish and alleviate their pain.

Yemen suffers for the ninth year in a row from the repercussions of the armed conflict. It is for this reason that HUMAN ACCESS encourages philanthropists and donors to support its humanitarian projects throughout the country in order to provide hope for the poor and people in need.







## Eid clothing brings smiles and joy to faces of over 5,000 children

Yemen's conflict in its ninth year has affected children in many ways, including displaced children and orphans. These vulnerable children are eagerly awaiting the holidays and dream of new clothes to wear on the holiday. Rather, their happiness is not complete without it. This is why Eid clothing projects are a priority for HUMAN ACCESS every year.

Since Eid Al-Fitr is approaching this year, HUMAN ACCESS has taken advantage of this generous occasion to distribute Eid clothes, plant joy, and brighten people's faces by providing Eid clothes to 5,957 children from poor families, orphans, and displaced in most Yemeni governorates, with the assistance of many donor organizations as a seasonal humanitarian response that has a significant impact on the souls of the beneficiaries.

The Secretary-General of HUMAN ACCESS, Dr. Ab-

dulwase Alwasea, said that this is a great humanitarian effort to ensure that the most vulnerable children have a decent appearance commensurate with the joy of Eid. Therefore, the organization implements annual Eid clothing projects, which are essential to bringing joy and happiness to needy children and families as well as relieving burdens.

In his remarks, Dr. Alwasea pointed to the humanitarian crisis in Yemen, which has had catastrophic repercussions for millions of Yemenis and is worsening the suffering of children and families.

Dr. Alwasea added that the Eid clothing shows the children of the poor and needy in an appearance no less than their peers in society on a great occasion, and herein lies its significance and the importance of supporting it.





All governorates of Yemen



during the month of Ramadan



# Ramadan

charity projects 2023



479,614

Total projects beneficiaries



186,725

Beneficiaries of iftars (breakfasts) and meals distribution



101,196

Beneficiaries of dates distribution



Beneficiaries of food baskets distribution

138,624



Beneficiaries of clothing and Eid gift distribution

5,957



Beneficiaries of zakat al-Fitr distribution

47,112





## HUMAN ACCESS provides food aid to earthquake-affected people in camps of northern Syria

With the urgent response to those affected by the earthquake that struck southern Turkey and northern Syria, HUMAN ACCESS through the Nas Society for Social Support provided food aid to those affected by the earthquake in the camps of northern Syria, which included the delivery of food baskets and ready meals.

In a special statement, Dr. Abdulwase Alwasea, Secretary-General of HUMAN ACCESS, explained that this campaign comes from its belief in its lofty humanitarian mission to alleviate the suffering of

those affected by the earthquake disaster.

He expressed his hope that this campaign would contribute to alleviating the suffering of those affected by the earthquake, which caused the devastation and destruction of many homes and facilities, left dozens homeless and missing, and caused great material and economic damage.

Dr. Al-Wasea called on humanitarian organizations and businessmen to provide more support and aid to mitigate the effects of the catastrophe that befell the Syrian and Turkish peoples.



## Various activities on International Day of Persons with Disabilities

On the occasion of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, which is celebrated on December 3 every year, HUMAN ACCESS in the governorates of Hadhramaut and Marib implemented a number of different activities.

The association organized a training course entitled “Mental and Behavioral Disorders in Children with Special Needs and How to Deal with Them”, targeting teachers of autism centers and people with special needs in Al-Shihr district of Hadhramaut, in partnership with the Rising Ambition Association for the Re-

habilitation of People with Special Needs in the district.

The course was designed to equip female teachers with the psychological skills needed to provide quality services to this group.

The safe space for women and girls in the city of Mukalla also visited the rehabilitation departments for autistic children and learning difficulties at the Hadhramaut Foundation for Autism. Mobility and entertainment activities were in addition carried out under the supervision of female supervisors of the two departments, and symbolic motivational

gifts were distributed to promote the rights of persons with disabilities in every aspect of life, as they are a source of strength in helping to rebuild societies.

In Marib, the safe space in Al-Jufaina camp organized an awareness-raising event that highlighted the importance of working with people with disabilities to develop supportive solutions for them, in accordance with the fact that this is an integral part of all basic freedoms and human rights in order to make this world easier for them.

The event also included a visual presentation and distribution of



gifts to participants with special needs.

A variety of support has also been provided to the Motion and Speech Rehabilitation Center for Children with Special Needs and People with Disabilities, affiliated to the Elaf Charity and Development Foundation.

The support included the delivery of a variety of furniture, tools and devices used in physiotherapy for people with special needs, as well as a mobilization and advocacy campaign for the center in order to ensure the sustainability of its free services for children with special needs and people with disabilities, both displaced and handicapped.

The support was also delivered in the presence of Dr. Abdulaziz Al-Shaddadi, Director General of the Public Health and Population Office in Marib, and a number of local officials.

Moreover, an open day was organized targeting children with disabilities in Marib Land Park, in the presence of a UNHCR Marib office team and a number of official bodies concerned with children. The open day involved recreational activities and psychological support in order to ensure that persons with disabilities are not left behind in times of crisis and beyond.



## Delivery of economic empowerment grants to women and girls in Al-Mahra and Marib governorates



**In Al-Mahra Governorate**, economic empowerment bags were handed over to 13 women and girls benefiting from the protection and livelihood support project. The bags included sewing and tailoring tools, making sweets and pastries, and maintaining mobile phones with the purpose to empower them economically, provide them with job opportunities, and help them establish their own enterprises. At the handover ceremony, Hussein Al-Masoudi, Assistant Undersecretary for Al-Mahrah Governorate Affairs, praised the humanitarian efforts made by

HUMAN ACCESS in supporting women and girls in the areas of economic empowerment, rehabilitation programs, training and capacity building.

**In Marib Governorate**, the HUMAN ACCESS Community Center for IDPs distributed economic empowerment kits to 80 displaced women, who benefited from training and rehabilitation programs, funded by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

At the distribution ceremony, the Undersecretary of Marib Governorate, Abdullah Al-Bakri, thanked





HUMAN ACCESS and UNHCR for implementing these targeted programs, stressing the importance of providing women and girls with the profession and craft to establish their own small and micro enterprises and transforming families from recipients of support to productive families who contribute to the family economy and society.

The professional bags consisted of 48 bags of handcraft tools, 15 photographic and video cameras, and 17 computers for secretarial trainees. The program contributed to empowering the beneficiaries economically and improving the standard of living for their families, thus creating a positive and tangible impact in promoting sustainable development efforts. In addition, bags of economic empowerment were



delivered to 25 beneficiaries of the training and qualification program in the field of mobile phone maintenance.

Among the positive effects of this program were empowering a female workforce economically, providing a job opportunity for beneficiaries, protecting women's privacy on their phones, allowing them to access their phone maintenance service comfortably, and reducing prevailing stereotypes.

To ensure that beneficiaries receive a stable development source that guarantees a decent life and contributes to the eradication of poverty, 10 economic empowerment grants were distributed in Al-Matar area for sewing and tailoring, as well as the manufacture of sweets and pastries.



## Success Story

### HUMAN ACCESS makes a difference in the lives of IDPs in Al Mudhallel camp

“We fled from the war of bullets to the war of absence of services”... This is what the displaced “Munir Abdullah” - 35 years old - said, describing the situation he and a large number of displaced people live in Al Mudhallel camp in Ataq city, Shabwa governorate. Al Mudhallel camp is considered one of the oldest camps in Ataq and one of the tragedies of the protracted Yemeni displaced crisis. It has become a temporary home for about 221 families who fled the war. Among them is Munir, who sought refuge with his family, consisting of his wife and six children, as displaced persons from Bayhan district, in search of safety.

#### Suffering and deprivation:

The camp, which houses the most vulnerable groups



of the displaced and marginalized, lacks the most basic life-saving services. Toilets are almost non-existent, as men resort to mosque bathrooms or public bathrooms. As for women, they wait for the onset of darkness to go out into the open and move a distance from the camp to relieve themselves safely. Children are forced to urinate and defecate in the open, which has dire consequences for health, the economy and the environment in the poorest and most marginalized communities.



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#### The integrated provision project contributes to alleviating the tragedy:

In this environment full of challenges in all aspects of life, the displaced in Al-Mudhallel camp finally saw hope through the integrated provision of a minimum

package of water, environmental sanitation, health and protection services for the most vulnerable displaced persons. It is a project implemented by HUMAN ACCESS in Shabwa during the year 2022 in partnership with the Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF). The project involved the construction of 64 latrines, provision of water, distribution of basic hygiene kits, conduction of a community awareness program, and

ongoing hygiene campaigns, thus separating two different eras for the displaced in Al Mudhallel camp.

#### Positive effects:

The project made a quantum leap for the displaced and helped alleviate their suffering. This was expressed by the displaced, “Munir”, who said: “This is what we have been wishing for for a long time.” Indeed, this humanitarian intervention was extremely important in order to protect one of the most vulnerable groups in society.



## Delivery of medicines and medical supplies to health facilities and hospitals



Within the project to support reproductive health services, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), HUMAN ACCESS in Taiz governorate delivered medicines and medical supplies to Al-Misrakh Hospital as an important part of the humanitarian response efforts to save lives of many people.

During the handover, Dr. Abdulwadoud Al-Amiri, Director of Al-Misrakh Hospital, thanked HUMAN ACCESS and UNFPA for their important interventions in supporting the emergency obstetric department in the hospital with medicines, supplies and modern medical devices since 2018 until now.

**In Lahj Governorate**, medical and in-kind materials were delivered to the Reproductive Health Department at Ras Al-Arah Hospital, as part of the ongoing support provided by the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, which includes a wide range of services aimed at promoting reproductive health in Yemen.

The medical and in-kind materials included 41 items of emergency obstetric medicines, hygiene and sterilization materials, and packets of laboratory pregnancy test strips, targeting approximately 800 beneficiary women per month. The hospital adminis-



tration appreciated this support, which covered an essential part of its medical needs.

**In Hadhramaut Governorate**, an obstetric emergency department at Tarim Hospital was provided with medicines and medical supplies, as part of the project's ongoing support to improve reproductive health services and enhance humanitarian response efforts.

**In Al-Mahra**, medical and in-kind materials were delivered to the obstetric emergency department at Al-Ghaydah Central Hospital. During the delivery, the Director General of the hospital confirmed that the medical and in-kind materials that are delivered every three months to the Obstetric Emergency Department cover a large part of the department's needs, expressing his thanks to HUMAN ACCESS, the UNFPA, and King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Center (KSRelief) for their significant efforts in supporting medical services in Yemen.

Through the project to support reproductive health services, a healthier future will be built while also reducing maternal and newborn mortality rates. It also meets an important part of the medical needs in a number of Yemeni governorates.



## Community outreach activities on International Breast Cancer Awareness Month



Breast cancer is a form of cancer that affects the breast and appears in the milk ducts and glands. There is no doubt that breast cancer is among the most common cancers in women around the world, and prevention programs and awareness activities can make a big difference in reducing its incidence.

A number of women and girls were present during community awareness activities conducted by HUMAN ACCESS in partnership with the supporting agencies in the governorates of Hadhramaut and Marib during the International Breast Cancer Awareness Month "Pink October"

in order to raise awareness about the risks associated with breast cancer in women and ways to prevent it.

Mukalla, on the coast of Hadhramaut, was the site of a "Your Flag is Pink" event, which included a visit to Hadhramaut's National Oncology Center, during which cancer patients were met, psychological support was provided, awareness leaflets were distributed about cancer prevention, and gifts were given to patients.

In Wadi Hadhramaut, an awareness lecture was organized entitled "The importance of psychosocial support for breast cancer

patients" within the program of the Psychosocial Support Center at Al Shihr General Hospital. The lecture reviewed the struggle story of a survivor of the disease, and a number of survivors were honored with souvenir gifts.

In the same context, the Community Center for Displaced Persons of HUMAN ACCESS in Marib implemented activities and community awareness sessions on breast cancer. In October, each year, awareness is raised for breast cancer among women, encouraging prevention and early detection programs for the disease.



## Funded by Kuwaiti Namaa Charity .. HUMAN ACCESS performs 50 urological surgeries

HUMAN ACCESS in Mukalla, Hadhramaut coast, performed the "Urology Camp" project, funded by Namaa Charity Society in the State of Kuwait. After examining 200 patients from Daw'an and Al-Dhuliaa districts, which are located in remote areas of Hadhramaut, a specialized medical team performed 50 urinary tract surgeries at Al-Quweira Hospital in Daw'an district.

In the context of his inspection of the progress of the camp's activities, Dr. Abdullah Khamis bin Talib, Deputy Director General of the Health and Population Office in the coast of Hadhramaut, praised the humanitarian efforts made by the HUMAN ACCESS in Hadhramaut, extending his thanks and appreci-

ation to the brothers in the State of Kuwait and the Kuwaiti Namaa Charity for their funding of the camp and their continuous support for charitable and humanitarian projects in Yemen.

For his part, Mr. Saeed Al-Khamer, Secretary General of HUMAN ACCESS in Mukalla, confirmed that the camp provided its services free of charge to the people of the targeted areas due to the difficult living conditions there, praising the role of Namaa Charity Society, which implements a number of projects in the living, health and educational aspects and continuously supports the people of Hadhramaut and other Yemen's governorates.



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Time is no longer on the side for most of the country's nearly 30 million people, who daily face many risks that go beyond the direct impact of conflict, amid eroding people's resilience and increasing civilian vulnerabilities, as the deteriorating humanitarian context increasingly pushes people to passive coping strategies..

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Hunger haunts more than half of Yemenis, as there are 17 million people who do not know where they will get their next meal from, said Rina Ghailani, Director of Operations and Advocacy at the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), in her last briefing to the UN Security Council in late November. Addressing urgent humanitarian and economic issues, intensifying life-saving humanitarian assistance and providing more protection services in Yemen has become an absolute necessity to save the lives of millions of vulnerable people and meet the needs of the most vulnerable groups, in this country that still forms one of the worst humanitarian crises in the world.

HUMAN ACCESS has a piv-

otal role in providing an effective and diverse humanitarian response. Due to transparency, efficiency, and long experience, the association has been able to strategically target the most crucial aspects that benefit individuals in vital areas such as food security, health care, emergency relief, economic empowerment, protection, and education.

With continued adherence to international humanitarian standards, HUMAN ACCESS' interventions contribute to reducing humanitarian needs and improving access to basic services in food, health, protection and other critical sectors for hundreds of thousands of poor families across the country. The march of giving continues with the support of donors and philanthropists.

### **The worst level of deterioration in food insecurity situation**

Millions of Yemenis face the worst-case scenario of food insecurity. In an update, the World Food Program stated last August that Yemen witnessed during the year 2022 the worst level of deterioration in food insecurity in four years. And according to the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), 17 million people are food insecure.

Malnutrition rates among women and children are among the highest in the world, with 1.3 million pregnant or breastfeeding women and 2.2 million children under the age



of five requiring treatment for acute malnutrition, which is a life-threatening condition. In a statement issued at the end of her visit to Yemen, in mid-October, the Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, Joyce Msuya, warned that millions of people will suffer from hunger and the lives of millions of malnourished children will be at risk without the continuous commitment of donors.

Food insecurity in any country in the world is considered a great danger due to its dire consequences, which are not limited to the current generation, but extend to future generations. Food insecurity is one of the most pressing human development challenges facing Yemen.

Unfortunately, the conflict in

Ukraine added another complication to food security in Yemen, as this crisis led to an increase in food and fuel prices, which posed a major challenge for millions of Yemeni families in light of the rapid and worrisome economic decline in the country. Reducing the quantity and frequency of meals, adults not eating and being unable to feed their children, lack of diversification in the diet, and reliance on cheaper or lower quality food are all common coping strategies in Yemen, as families go into debt to pay for food.

As a first line of defense against the catastrophic loss of life, HUMAN ACCESS strives to address food insecurity and reduce the harshness of the living situation by providing food assistance to the most affected groups.

Tahani Mohammad, 39 years old, a widow with five daughters, is one of the beneficiaries of HUMAN ACCESS interventions. This family lives in a dilapidated house in Lahj governorate, and they have no source of income. Food and cash assistance provided by the GFA food project, funded by the World Food Program, represented the thread of survival for this family.

**Increase of health needs for the most vulnerable by 11%**

With no end in sight to conflict, economic crisis, epidemics and displacement, Yemen's health needs are huge, at a time when the health system is on the



brink of collapse. That's because half of all health facilities have been either partially damaged or completely destroyed by the escalating conflict since 2015.

More than 10 million children and about 5 million women lack of full access to health services, and more than 21.9 million Yemenis lack access to vital health services. As for mental illness, it is one of the most common health conditions, as 8 million Yemenis suffer from psychological problems, while the health needs of the most vulnerable people increased by 11%, according to the World Health Organization (WHO). According to the United Nations, maternal mortality levels are rising, with a Yemeni woman dying every two hours in

childbirth from causes that are almost entirely preventable. An estimated 8.1 million women and girls of childbearing age need assistance in accessing reproductive health services. People become more susceptible to preventable diseases when they lack basic health care, reproductive health services, clean water, sanitation facilities, food, or shelter, especially children and mothers. Accordingly, a combination of emergency response strategies with health system support is required.

In light of this, the health response occupies a leading position in HUMAN ACCESS interventions that contribute to providing health care services, expanding the range of treatment services, preventing

malnutrition, training health workers, alleviating the suffering of patients, and improving the quality of public health services. There are several success stories, including the story of "Jumaa Abdullah", 33 years old, from Hadhramaut Governorate. This woman was able to give birth to her fifth child despite suffering water deficiency disease, thanks to the efforts of a medical team at the Mayfaa Center for Motherhood and Childhood. This Center is supervised by HUMAN ACCESS as part of the project to support reproductive health services, with funding from the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).





## HUMAN ACCESS pulls Yemen out of the dark path

23.4 million people need assistance across Yemen, nearly three out of four people. This is a staggering number and deeply worrying, said Martin Griffiths, UN Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, who is also the Emergency Relief Coordinator.

As a result of food price inflation that doubled during the year 2022, millions of Yemeni people are already living in a state of starvation, making it imperative to strengthen relief operations in order to save lives, improve food security, and reduce malnutrition.

Fortunately, there was no mass famine, although the country

started down this dark path several times. It has been extracted from this path through humanitarian action and access to vulnerable communities in each of Yemen's 333 districts.

And since it is a matter of life or death, HUMAN ACCESS, in cooperation and coordination with its partners, extends a relief lifeline to people in need as soon as possible and reduces suffering. The association, through well-coordinated programs, has succeeded in achieving a significant improvement in the lives of beneficiaries across Yemen. It is more essential than ever that relief be provided in Yemen, according to Dr. Abdulwase al-Wasea, Secretary-General of HUMAN ACCESS, otherwise millions of people will continue to be doomed to live in extreme suffering, especially with dimin-

ishing prospects for peace. Moreover, it is imperative to address many of Yemeni society's acute and urgent needs in order to break the vicious cycle resulting from the effects of hunger and poverty, as Dr. al-Wasea points out, and this is what HUMAN ACCESS strives for so that people can rebuild their lives.

## Economic empowerment projects open the door for job opportunities

The ongoing conflict in Yemen has had grim consequences on Yemenis' livelihood, economic sectors, and infrastructure. Economic reports estimate the size of the country's loss due to this

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conflict between 170 and 200 billion dollars of gross domestic product between the years 2015 to 2022.

According to official statistics, the war has caused the country's economy to shrink by about 50%, the unemployment rate to more than 35%, and poverty to about 78% of the population. As a result, the national currency lost part of its purchasing power and the decline rate reached about 500% compared to the pre-war years.

Due to the interruption of salaries, low wages, and increasing inflation rates, people are unable to meet their basic needs. This has led to a rise in prices and affected people's livelihoods, leaving a large gap in

their ability to meet their basic needs.

There is a lack of investment and job creation in the economy, which is the biggest problem. That is why the economic empowerment projects implemented by HUMAN ACCESS with the support of donors have formed a lifeline from unemployment and poverty for thousands of affected families, providing them with livelihood and resilience opportunities.

Economic empowerment projects have proven to be crucial to recovery and one of the best ways to reduce unemployment, alleviate poverty, and create a productive society, as well as generating the resilience of vulnerable communities, as people desperately need jobs in order

to provide for their families.

Many people have benefited from the empowerment projects implemented by HUMAN ACCESS, including women, who are often the main breadwinners for their families, such as "Wafaa Abdullah", 30 years old, from Taiz Governorate.

This woman found herself facing great challenges after the death of her husband, as she became responsible for a family of five, without a source of income. Funding her own sewing project, supported by HUMAN ACCESS and the Global Islamic Charity Organization, was her window into the light.



## Lifesaving protection is a guarantee of human rights and a core of recovery efforts

The conflict in Yemen has taken a heavy toll on civilians who need humanitarian responses to protect their rights and prevent or stop any violations causing their suffering through activities to ensure full respect for individual rights.

During conflict, life-saving protections must be the focus of recovery efforts, including clean water and essential hygiene items, as well as common investment frameworks to improve people's lives everywhere.

As a result of the Yemen cri-

sis, HUMAN ACCESS offers humanitarian assistance and implements a wide range of programs that provide protection services to vulnerable groups in the country, especially women and girls, who are in need of urgent specialized protection due to the escalation of the conflict. Protection activities include individual case management, child protection, support for violence survivors, psychosocial support, as well as legal and cash assistance. Activities also include working to reduce the risks to the civilian population during armed conflicts, especially the most vulnerable groups, including women, children, refugees and migrants.

As part of protection activities, HUMAN ACCESS manages

11 safe spaces for women and girls in a number of Yemeni governorates to complete humanitarian assistance and upgrade their ability to be self-reliant, which is a basic human right that guarantees a better life for women, men and society as a whole.

In a special statement, Director General of HUMAN ACCESS, Riyadh Mohammed, said that the ongoing conflict in Yemen continues to severely affect most of the population who struggle daily to survive and who are in dire need of some form of protection.

According to Riyadh, HUMAN ACCESS leads a number of protection projects in the country aimed at helping affected and needy people self-recover.



It was also able to immunize tens of thousands of beneficiaries from dangerous consequences.

### **A severe crisis in education.. More than 2.4 million children did not attend school**

Yemen is facing a severe education crisis. The ongoing war has left devastating effects on the educational system in the country and on the opportunities for millions of children to access education, as the armed conflict and its dangerous repercussions are considered one of the biggest obstacles to education. The number of children of school age in Yemen is 10.6

million students. Figures indicate that there are more than 2.4 million children who did not attend school, according to UN statistics, which will have huge consequences for them in the long term.

Many families face difficulties in enrolling their children in the educational process due to the lack of schools and the economic constraints that prevent them from purchasing school supplies.

It is for this reason that HUMAN ACCESS prioritizes the educational process, since education is a lifeline for children and the ability to get an education can make all the difference between hope and despair.

HUMAN ACCESS's interventions include building and renovating schools and deliv-

ering school bags containing school supplies such as pens, notebooks and other materials to help students continue their education in the hope of a brighter future.

Most families prefer to see their children happy when they go to school every morning, while out-of-school children are at greater risk of exploitation, poverty and lifelong deprivation. Therefore, expanding access to education is very important as every child has the right to go to school and learn. This is why HUMAN ACCESS is committed to supporting the right to education, one of the most fundamental rights in society.

## Protection activities and services

### Under the slogan “Unite” implementation of 16-day campaign to combat GBV violence in governorates

On the occasion of the 16-day campaign to combat gender-based violence (GBV), which is being implemented in various countries of the world to intensify efforts to eliminate one of the worst manifestations of discrimination against women and girls, HUMAN ACCESS, in partnership with the supporting agencies, has implemented various events, activities and programs in some governorates.

Through these activities, more awareness has been raised about women’s issues and rights, as well as efforts have been made to strengthen the fight against gender-based violence against women.

These activities were conducted as part of the Protection and Livelihood Support Project “Safe Space for Women and Girls”, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

Dr. Abdu Rabbo Muftah, Undersecretary of Marib governorate, spoke at the launch ceremony of the

campaign and stressed the importance of events and programs focused on women and girls, who are often the most vulnerable and most affected segments of society, urging everyone to take action against gender-based violence and women’s rights. The activities implemented in Marib, Hadhramaut, Shabwa and Al-Mahra under the slogan “Unite” included psychological support sessions, seminars, multiple awareness lectures, training courses, exhibitions and bazaars, opinion polls, radio programs, and organizing sports tournaments for displaced youth and the host community. It also included organizing open and recreational days, art festivals for women, girls and children, drawing and art competitions, and other activities and events.

A variety of activities and events were held on this occasion to promote community awareness, in-





introduce women to their rights and roles in society, and bring attention to the problem of violence as a human rights issue. Furthermore, the activities promoted the discovery of talents and the development of knowledge and skills.

The events addressed a number of titles related to violence against women, such as “Gender justice in development, opportunities and resources - reality and hope”, “Health effects resulting from physical violence”, “Steps towards reducing the phenomenon of gender-based violence”, “Inevitability to address the prevailing culture in society that presents a kind of false awareness about women”, “The need to en-



hance social and political awareness about women and girls’ issues,” and “Facing challenges that hinder the role of women in all areas of life.”

A 16-day campaign was also introduced, along with the dangers gender-based violence poses to families and society, and the importance of training women and girls, as training contributes to their protection and enhances the response to women’s rights in the field. It also represents one of the most effective solutions to prevent violence against women and enhances women’s rights support efforts.

Within the context of the campaign, economic em-





powerment grants were handed over to women and girls benefiting from vocational and crafts training programs. As part of the grants, tools and supplies for the profession were provided to the beneficiaries in order to help them acquire a new source of income, overcome difficulties in life, and be protected from violence. Literature and posters related to the campaign were also disseminated.

“The First Year of Marriage” was among the titles addressed by the training courses implemented under the umbrella of the campaign.

Women’s Inheritance was discussed in the radio episodes as well, where the conclusion was made that there are various reasons for depriving women of inheritance, as well as effective solutions to resolve this issue.

The campaign’s activities also dealt with the importance of the role of the state, institutions and society in women’s obtaining their legal and legitimate right to inheritance, and the issue of obtaining identity papers as a human right.

Thousands of women, girls, children and community members, both the displaced and the host community in the targeted governorates, have benefited

from the campaign. Its implementation began on November 25, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, and continued until last December 10, which is the International Human Rights Day.

It should be noted that HUMAN ACCESS manages with its partners a group of safe spaces for women and girls, to empower them economically and integrate them into society, thereby reducing violence against them.



## Training and quarterly meeting for community peer network in Marib

HUMAN ACCESS in Marib held a training course on life and marketing skills for a number of women in Al-Mil camps as part of the Livelihood and Economic Empowerment Program for the fourth quarter of 2022. As a result of the course, the beneficiaries developed their financial and marketing skills, and were able to manage their projects successfully. Two training courses were also implemented in the fields

of making sweets and pastries, sewing and embroidery for a number of women from the most vulnerable families, in addition to community awareness sessions for the students of the Martyr Muhammad Hael School. The sessions involved social and health awareness and the distribution of brochures to raise awareness on vital issues, encourage girls to acquire knowledge and spread a permanent state of awareness in

society.

Furthermore, the fourth quarterly meeting of the community peer network was held in Al-Rawda, Al-Sharika and Al-Mil camps. The meeting discussed the services provided to women and girls during the year 2022, and came up with proposals and recommendations to improve performance. The network members were also honored for their efforts in spreading community awareness.



## Vocational training program and awareness session for community committees concluded in Marib



HUMAN ACCESS in Marib governorate concluded the vocational training and economic empowerment program for the second batch of 2022 in Al-Mil camps, which targeted a number of women and girls in the field of carving and henna, to assist them establish their small enterprises.



In another context, an awareness session was held for community committees in Al-Matar area under the title "Early Marriage and Its Harms", in the presence of a number of women and girls to raise awareness of the dangers of this social habit.



## Training, community committee meeting and peer network in Seiyun



HUMAN ACCESS in Seiyun, Wadi Hadhramaut, organized a financial marketing course for 25 targeted women in the art of sewing, tailoring, and making sweets and pastries, to qualify the beneficiaries with the skills necessary in the field of financial marketing to start their own businesses and engage in the labor market.

Two training courses were also carried out in the fields of making sweets and pastries, and sewing and embroidery for 28 beneficiaries from the displaced and the host community. Both courses created sustainable income opportunities for poor families as well as alleviated their suffering.

Moreover, a meeting of the community committees

and the peer network was held, during which the implemented activities were evaluated and the implementation of the planned activities was discussed. An awareness session was also held for 66 women about family stability, how to achieve it, and the damages resulting from family disintegration and its impact on children's psyche.

Furthermore, a community awareness session was organized in Bakathir Secondary School for Girls in Seiyun, about violence, its types, effects, and ways of prevention. The session helped raise awareness of this serious social scourge, which is one of the most serious human rights violations.



## An open day for women and girls in Marib governorate



HUMAN ACCESS in Marib governorate held an open day for women and girls in the city complex as part of the activities of the protection and livelihood support project funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

The event included competitions, prizes, psychological support, and a display of products for beneficiaries of economic empowerment programs. The open day contributed to drawing attention to and addressing violence against women and raising awareness about the scale of the problems that women and girls face, especially those affected by humanitarian crises.

## Child friendly space held in largest camp for IDPs in Wadi Marib

The safe space for women and girls in Al-Wadi district of Marib governorate implemented a child friendly space in Al-Kharashi camp for the displaced, where the child friendly space was provided with supplies for children and educational means to educate them.

The goal is to create a safe environment for children that helps develop their abilities and positive interaction with their peers in the surrounding community.



## Mobilization, advocacy, honoring peer networks and rehabilitation of women and girls in Seiyun and Marib

In the city of Seiyun, a mobilization and advocacy session for peer networks was carried out for 45 men on the importance of granting women their rights due to their significant role in society. In Marib, the women and girls' safe space in the city complex concluded meetings for community committees and peer networks. During the closing ceremony, the members received certificates of thanks and appreciation for their efforts in 2022.

In Al-Matar area, training courses were carried out in the fields of sewing and sweets making for 30 trainees of displaced and resident women, to empower them economically and improve their living conditions.

A training course in was also conducted in Al-Wadi District in the field of making incense and perfumes, as it contributed to enabling the beneficiaries to become self-reliant and find new sources of income.



### Various events and activities in Marib

HUMAN ACCESS in Al-Wadi District of Marib organized a celebration on the occasion of World Osteoporosis Day, which falls on October 20 of each year.

The event shed light on osteoporosis and educated women about maintaining healthy and strong bones.

In the same district, the safe space for women and girls visited the National Rapid Response Foundation - Doctors Without Borders - to discuss the services provided by both parties and to agree on the referral system regarding protection and the most important services.

In addition, the safe space in the city complex displayed the products of women and girls benefiting from the economic empowerment of the space in the corners of the women's market in order to promote their products.



## Focus group discussions to enhance the safety of cash assistance transfer



HUMAN ACCESS in the governorates of Hadhramaut and Marib carried out four focus group discussions for 47 of the targets of cash assistance, as part of the activities of the Protection and Livelihood Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

In this regard, the first panel dis-

cussion was carried out in Seiyun in Wadi Hadhramaut, with the attendance of 12 women, while three panel discussions were carried out in Marib governorate, one of which was in Al-Kharashi camp, with the presence of 10 women, and the other in Al-Jufaina camp, with the participation of 13 women.

In As-Suwayda camp, a panel discussion was carried out in the presence of 12 women. The four panel discussions contributed to the assessment of the risks associated with CVAs and how to provide cash assistance in a safe and appropriate way.



## Economic empowerment

### Bazaars and exhibitions in some governorates in partnership with UNFPA

HUMAN ACCESS, in partnership with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), held various bazaars and exhibitions to display the products of training beneficiaries, and rehabilitation and economic empowerment programs in a number of the Republic' governorates.

In Shabwa Governorate, the third promotional bazaar was held to display products of the vocational training program beneficiaries for 2022 in Ataq city. The bazaar included 6 corners, which are the sweets and pastries corner, sewing and tailoring corner, hairdresser and beauty corner, cell phone maintenance corner, incense and perfumes corner, and a children's corner.

Through this bazaar, women and girls' economic empowerment projects were highlighted, their products and creativity were introduced, marketing opportunities were provided, their competitiveness was improved, and they acquired self-skills in the labor market, leading to the success of their economic endeavors.

In Seiyun, the third bazaar was organized to display the products of 55 beneficiaries of training, rehabilitation and economic empowerment services for 2022. During the opening of the bazaar, the Assis-

tant Undersecretary for the Affairs of the Wadi and Desert districts, Abdulhadi Al-Tamimi, emphasized the importance of training, qualifying and empowering women to be a supporter and helper for their families in light of the difficult living conditions and high prices, thanking HUMAN ACCESS and UNFPA for these sustainable projects targeting women and girls.

The bazaar involved a beauty corner, folklore corner, sweets and pastries corner, sewing and tailoring corner, mobile phone maintenance corner, and handicrafts corner. The bazaar was very popular with visitors, women and girls, during the morning and evening hours.

In Al-Mahra, the third bazaar was held for products of the economic empowerment project beneficiaries for 2022 under the auspices of Muhammad Ali Yasser, Governor of Al-Mahra Governorate. The bazaar included displaying the products of the trainees





during the year in the field of sewing and making sweets. It also included entertainment and heritage shows, as well as displaying success stories in the fields of incense, perfume and hairdressing. Through this bazaar, the trainees were able to demonstrate their work, introduce their products, and participate in marketing opportunities that will help them enter the labor force. In Marib, the third annual bazaar was held to market the products of the beneficiaries of the economic empowerment programs for 2022. At the opening ceremony, the Deputy Governor of Marib, Abdullah Al-Bakri, praised the programs for rehabilitating women, activating their role in society, empowering them economically, and turning them into productive and influential elements in the family and society.

Al-Bakri also stressed the importance of creating a permanent market to enable productive families to display their products, in a way that benefits them and empowers them economically. The bazaar included a number of pavilions to display the various products produced by 300 women and girls from the displaced and the host community who benefited from economic empowerment programs during the year. Those women were rehabilitated and were given profession toolkits to help them improve their living conditions. The products on display included sweets and pastries, sewing and embroidery, perfumes and incense, folklore, hairdressing and henna, mobile phone maintenance, fine art, and a pavilion for health awareness.



## Training programs for women and girls in Marib and Hadhramaut governorates



HUMAN ACCESS in Marib governorate, in partnership with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), organized four training courses in the field of sweets and pastries. A number of beneficiaries in Al-Matar area were targeted for the first course to help them obtain continuous income.

As for the second session, it targeted a number of beneficiaries in Al-Wadi district, while the third one targeted 14 women and girls in Al-Jufaina camp. However, the fourth session targeted a number of women and girls in Al-Rawda area - Al-Mil camps. These courses equipped trainees with vocational skills, shaped them into self-sufficient productive families, and assisted them in entering the workforce. In the same context, a life and marketing skills course was conducted for female trainees in the fourth quarter of 2022 in Al-Wadi District in the field of sewing.

Among the themes covered in the training were project management, developing plans and programs, and marketing products.

A life skills training was also held for 28 women who benefited from two training programs in the fields of

hairdressing, sewing, as well as a course in the field of “theme making”. A total of eight trainees attended the training and were introduced to the basics of making themes, the tools used, as well as practical applications of this new skill.

Moreover, a training course in the field of sewing and embroidery was also held, attended by 16 female heads of household, and another in cosmetic arts, attended by 13 beneficiaries from society’s most vulnerable groups. There have been two training courses organized at Al Jufaina camp. The first was life, financial, and marketing skills training for those planning to join a training program in sweets and pastries. 15 beneficiaries participated, while 15 women participated in a training program in sewing during the fourth quarter of 2022.

In Mukalla, on the coast of Hadhramaut, training skills courses in the fields of incense and hairdressing were carried out for 67 beneficiaries from the displaced and the host community. Through the courses, the trainees acquired skills that helped them enter the labor market and secure continuous income from income-generating projects.



## Activities for the advancement of women and girls in Marib

As part of its “Pregnant mother care” activity, the safe space for women and girls in Al-Wadi district of Marib governorate received pregnant women, educated them about several pregnancy-related issues, provided health consultations both individually and in groups, and provided safe delivery bags to the participants in order to help them take the right measures, as well as to spare mothers and newborns from many risks associated with childbirth.

In addition, the safe space for women and girls in Al-Jufaina camp participated in the second Marib Book Fair by exhibiting the products of beneficiaries of economic empowerment projects in a variety of professional fields. The goal is to promote the work of the beneficiaries, introduce their creativity, develop their abilities, and provide marketing opportunities for their products to enter the labor market.





## Reproductive health activities and services

### Training female doctors, nurses and midwives on dealing with postpartum hemorrhage

HUMAN ACCESS in Hadhramaut governorate organized a training program on dealing with postpartum hemorrhage targeting 14 female doctors, nurses and midwives in the Obstetrics and Gynecology Department of Tarim General Hospital, as part of the series of training courses being held by the Repro-

ductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). During the course, participants learned about postpartum hemorrhage, its types and causes, as well as the treatment plan that promotes high-quality health care and reduces bleeding.



### Training program for female doctors, nurses and midwives on “episotomy” and (partograph)



HUMAN ACCESS in Wadi Hadhramaut organized a training course on the partograph “birth chart” at Tarim Hospital as part of the activities of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project. This training targeted 16 female doctors, nurses, and midwives in Tarim Hospital in an effort to pro-

vide them with knowledge regarding partographs, or birth charts, in support of the ongoing project for obstetric emergencies. It also organized a training course on “episotomy”, which is a surgical intervention that takes place in a number of deliveries to avoid tearing the perineum. In

this course, 17 female doctors, midwives, and nurses at Tarim Hospital received information and skills about episiotomy. Training female workers in the field of obstetric emergencies will help protect mothers and newborns from potential health risks.

## Two training courses for emergency obstetric personnel at Al Ghaydah Central Hospital

HUMAN ACCESS in Al-Mahra Governorate organized two training courses for emergency obstetric staff at Al-Ghaydah Central Hospital, as part of the ongoing support provided by the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). The first course was about infection control, while

the second course was about the partograph “birth chart”, where 30 female healthcare workers in the field of reproductive health, as well as emergency obstetric cadres, were given knowledge and information on infection risks, how to prevent them, and the birth chart, which helped strengthen reproductive health services.



## Two training courses for health personnel in reproductive health service centers in Hadhramaut



HUMAN ACCESS in Hadhramaut governorate held two training courses for the health personnel working in Mayfaa Center in Broom Mayfaa district and the Shahr Center in Ghail Bawazir district, as part of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). The two courses targeted 18 female doctors, nurses, and midwives. The first course focused on how to install and remove implants and IUDs, while the second dealt with neonatal resuscitation. These two courses raised the capabilities of workers in the two targeted centers, thereby improving reproductive health care.

## Training of midwives on high-risk pregnancy at Al Ghaydah Central Hospital



Under the auspices of the Governor of Al-Mahrah Governorate, Muhammad Ali Yaser, HUMAN ACCESS held a training course for midwives at Al-Ghaydah Central Hospital in Al-Ghaydah City on high-risk pregnancy. The objective is to upgrade the level of performance and enhance the quality of services provided, as

part of the activities of the Reproductive Health Services Support Project, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Center (KSRelief). Dr. Awad Mubarak Saad, Director General of the Health and Population Office in Al-Mahrah, opened the course, where he ex-

pressed gratitude for the support provided in reproductive health services by HUMAN ACCESS and UNFPA, pointing out that this course will equip trainees with skills and information in order to provide better services to beneficiaries and reduce maternal and newborn mortality rates.



## Training women on safe delivery methods in Marib

HUMAN ACCESS in Marib governorate organized a training course for a number of women in the city complex on safe childbirth and how to use the delivery bag as part of the activities of the Protection and Livelihood Support Project, funded by UNFPA.

As a result of the training, women were made aware of the benefits of clean and safe delivery methods, thereby sparing mothers and newborns many of the risks associated with childbirth at home and outside of hospitals.



## Mayfaa and Shahir health facilities receive medicines and medical supplies

Within the project to support reproductive health services, implemented in partnership with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), HUMAN ACCESS in Mukalla provided medical support to the mother and child center in Mayfaa and the health center in Shahir. The support included the delivery of tools and supplies for emergency obstetric departments, family planning methods, free emergency medicines, and laboratory solu-

tions. Shahir Health Center and Motherhood and Childhood Center administrations strongly commended HUMAN ACCESS for its efforts in the governorate and the continuous support it provides for their health services as well as its contribution to addressing the health needs of the beneficiary patients.



## Benefiting over 13,000 people .. HUMAN ACCESS opens a health unit in Hadhramaut



In the presence of a number of local officials, the health unit in Hadhramaut Governorate opened a health unit in Al-Mansoura district of Al-Shihr district, after it was rehabilitated and supplied with some medical and office supplies, funded by the Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF).

The unit, which is planned to benefit over 13,000 individuals, contributes to strengthening the role of the health sector in Al-Shihr district and supporting life-saving emergency health services, especial-

ly with the increasing need and declining level of health care due to the ongoing conflict in the country. The opening of the health unit is an extension of the integrated project, which is being implemented by HUMAN ACCESS with funding from YHF, and targets a number of health facilities in Al-Shihr with multiple services, including the provision of integrated operational budgets, medicines, medical supplies and incentives for the working staff over a period of 8 months.





Funded by Kaaf Humanitarian ..

## Supportive health care project implemented to treat malnutrition

As part of a health care support project funded by Kaaf Humanitarian Charity in Bahrain, HUMAN ACCESS has launched in Taiz Governorate to treat malnutrition in Mashra'a and Hadnan district. This project involves ambulatory health care services provided by a specially trained medical team, saving many lives.

The project, which will last for five months, starting from last November, will provide a number

of primary and supportive health care services to treat malnutrition by examining and diagnosing the disease and dispensing the necessary medicines for free to the district's beneficiaries in remote areas, in addition to awareness and health education services. For residents of remote areas in Yemen, seeking health services requires a perilous journey, as these services are completely absent in some hard-to-reach

areas, while many health facilities have stopped working as a result of the years-long conflict in the country.

As long as such humanitarian efforts continue, there is hope that these health services will ease the suffering of those in remote, seldom-reachable areas, and contribute to saving countless lives and supporting Yemen's health sector.



## Running mobile medical clinics funded by Al-Sayer Charity Foundation



Funded by Al-Sayer Charity Foundation in the State of Kuwait, HUMAN ACCESS in Hadhramaut Governorate carried out a mobile medical clinic program in Al-Dulaia district with a specialized medical staff to examine and treat skin diseases and dispense essential medicines free of charge.



A source in HUMAN ACCESS stated that the program's services will include mobile medical clinics for examining and treating skin diseases, examining and treating internal diseases, obstetrics and gynecology diseases, as well as ear, nose and throat in a number of Hadhramaut's districts.

### Targeting 40 displaced women..

## Conclusion of a first aid training program

The Community Center for IDPs of HUMAN ACCESS in Marib Governorate concluded a first aid training course targeting 40 displaced women and girls for 11 days as part of the protection project, funded by the United

Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

During the closing ceremony, a delegation from the UNHCR office in Marib presented Tamkeen "First Aid" bags and certificates of honor to the beneficiaries, who

were praised for their eagerness to participate in the training. By learning basic first aid skills, they were able to treat minor injuries, provide medical care to others, and earn money to support for themselves.



## Services and activities to mitigate GBV risks in Marib

A number of field services and activities were implemented by the Community Center for IDPs of HUMAN ACCESS in Marib Governorate as part of a project to mitigate gender-based violence (GBV) against the displaced. Under the finance of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), 825 families were targeted in Al-Quoz and Al-Midan camps in Marib city district.

30 electric poles were installed to light the camps in order to provide a safer environment for women, girls and children residing in the camps and reduce the factors contributing to behaviors that increase the risk of gender-based violence among displaced people.

The center also coordinated a field visit, which was carried out by a delegation from the UNHCR Office

in Marib, during which the delegation was briefed on the implemented activities and services offered to displaced families in the two camps.

Additionally, the delegation praised HUMAN ACCESS' efforts aimed at protecting the displaced, which seek to address the root causes of gender-based violence by providing important and fruitful services.

As part of the UN delegation's visit to Al-Quoz camp, 55 women were given literacy and adult education as part of community activities organized by the Community Center, to ensure that the displaced women are not left behind and contribute to the building of a strong and knowledgeable foundation centered around humans.





## Woman and child sector supports 29 families with income-generating projects



The Woman and Child Sector of HUMAN ACCESS in Marib Governorate, during the year 2022, empowered 29 families from the most vulnerable groups and supported them with income-generating projects in a number of vital areas based on the needs and skills of the targeted families. The goal is to enable them to obtain sustainable livelihoods, reduce unemployment, alleviate poverty, and create a productive

society.

The projects included sewing, sweets and pastries, incense, perfumes, hairdressing and cosmetics, toys making, and commercial projects in the clothing, groceries, accessories, and motorcycles sectors. These projects contributed to creating job opportunities for the beneficiary families, and helped them cope with the harsh economic and living conditions.

## Public Health and Population Office in Lahj honors HUMAN ACCESS



The Public Health & Population Office in Lahj Governorate honored the HUMAN ACCESS organization for its pioneering and effective role in implementing the project to support reproductive health services funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). A major component of the humanitarian response effort is to provide various support to the Ras Al-Arah Rural Hospital in Al-Madhariba & Ras Al-Arah district to improve reproductive health services.

The Director General of the Health Office in Lahj, Dr. Khaled Muhammad Jaber, handed over a certificate of thanks and appreciation to HUMAN ACCESS, which was received by Dr. Solange Mahdi, the project coordinator to support reproductive health services in the governorate. During the handover ceremony, Dr. Khaled praised the positive role of the project in providing reproductive health services, hoping that it will continue to ensure that vulnerable population groups have access to reproductive health services.



Targeting 254 young men and women..

## Implementation of vocational training and rehabilitation project

HUMAN ACCESS implemented a project for rehabilitation and vocational training for young men and women in three governorates: Hadhramaut, Marib and Taiz, with funding from the International Islamic Charity Organization in the State of Kuwait. The purpose is to qualify and develop the capabilities of 254 young men and women to acquire vocational skills to help them engage in the labor market and improve their economic status in a sustainable manner. The rehabilitation project included important vital and economic fields, such as design and graphics, professional photography, hairdressing, sweets and pastries, incense and perfumes making, computers

and secretaries, electronics maintenance, mobile phones and alternative energy equipment. The project also included distributing economic empowerment bags to the privileged to enable them to start operating their own enterprises.

As a result of HUMAN ACCESS's partnership with the International Islamic Charity Organization, the project reflected the efforts of the organization to empower young people of both sexes and create a stable development resource which guarantees them a decent life amid the escalating poverty, unemployment, and deteriorating economic and living conditions.



## Safe space for women and girls in Marib performs various activities



In a qualitative gesture, the safe space for women and girls in Wadi Marib honored a group of pioneering women in society, in recognition of their efforts in support of the protection project, livelihood support, and women's issues.

The space also organized a radio interview on the local Marib radio

on the occasion of World AIDS Day, while the safe space in Al-Mujamma area organized an awareness session about AIDS. In Al-Jufaina camp, the safe space organized the fourth quarterly meeting of community committees to discuss the role assigned to them in combating violence against women.

The safe space also organized the fourth quarterly meeting of the community peer network, an awareness session on AIDS, and a vocational training course in the field of embroidery hoops, making themes and coordinating parties, with the participation of 12 beneficiaries.



## Health awareness sessions on AIDS in Mukalla and Seiyun

A health awareness session on AIDS was organized by HUMAN ACCESS in Seiyun, Wadi Hadhramaut, in commemoration of World AIDS Day, which falls on the first of December every year, to raise public awareness, prevent the spread of the

disease, and limit its global impact. The health awareness sessions targeted some majors at Seiyun University and students of the Women's College at Hadhramaut University in Mukalla.



## HUMAN ACCESS celebrates International Volunteer Day

HUMAN ACCESS in the governorates of Hadhramaut, Shabwa, and Marib celebrated the International Volunteer Day, which falls on December 5 of each year. On this occasion, the organization conducted a training course for workers in the field of protection and safe space staff in the city of Mukalla, Hadhramaut, under the title “Volunteerism is a Community Necessity.”

Moreover, an educational lecture was conducted in Ataq, Shabwa, targeting 150 university students about the importance of promoting and improving volunteer work to help create a better future for everyone.

In Marib Governorate, the safe space in Al-Jufaina

camp honored volunteers, including male and female members of community committees, the peer network, and community actors advocating for women’s rights. The safe space in Al-Matar area also honored the protection project volunteers, and praised their outstanding efforts to improve their lives and the lives of those around them.

The safe space in Al-Mujamma area honored many volunteers in the field of humanitarian work, including space volunteers, as well as women who completed their education within the literacy program and others who are still in school despite their old age, in addition to honoring education volunteers for the eradication of illiteracy.



HUMAN ACCESS in Al-Mahrah honored Dr. Awad Mubarak Saad, Director General of the Public Health and Population Office in the governorate, in appreciation and gratitude for his efforts in facilitating the work of HUMAN ACCESS and the success of its interventions in the health sector, especially in Al-Ghaydah Central Hospital. Mustafa Al-Qadri, Executive Director of HUMAN ACCESS in Al-Mahrah, and Dr. Saleh Al-Hamid, a member of the administrative board, handed the shield of honor to the Director General of the Health Office in the governorate, in the presence of Mansour Sharaf Abbas, representing the reproductive health project. Dr. Awad said HUMAN ACCESS is an effective partner providing significant support to the health sector in Al Mahrah and he expressed his gratitude for this support, which has contributed to the improvement of health services and the promotion and protection of health in the governorate.

## HUMAN ACCESS honors Al-Mahrah Health Office Director General



## HUMAN ACCESS in Marib celebrates the National Hygiene Day



HUMAN ACCESS in Marib governorate participated in a wide public and official cleaning campaign on the occasion of the National Cleanliness Day, which falls on December 12 of each year, as part of the activities of the Protection and Livelihood Support Project funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). In this context, the initiative “Your volunteering to

participate in the hygiene campaign contributes to preserving the health and safety of your family” was implemented.

As part of the initiative, symbolic hats and gifts were distributed and words of gratitude were expressed to a number of cleaning workers, resulting in enhancing the participation of the community in cleaning cities and promoting a healthy, clean environment.

## Poor families in Taiz and Marib benefit from food, shelter and cash aid

It is estimated that the majority of Yemenis suffer from hardship due to inflation in food prices and a lack of livelihoods, so strengthening relief operations is more important than ever to save lives and improve food security, in a country that faces the world's worst humanitarian crisis.

Malnutrition rates among women and children are among the highest in the world, as some 23.4 million people in Yemen - more than two-thirds of the total population - need humanitarian assistance, according to the United Nations. And since it is a matter of life or death, the HUMAN ACCESS Relief Unit extends a relief lifeline to people and families in need to reduce their suffering.

In this regard, the association distributes food baskets, shelter items, and cash assistance to 2,056

families in the governorates of Taiz and Marib, in partnership with a number of donors. The food support included the teachers of Owais Al-Qarni Educational Complex in Taiz.

For its part, the Woman and Child Sector of HUMAN ACCESS in Marib Governorate delivered food baskets, blankets, and winter clothing to 148 families and 304 children. This initiative helped alleviate the suffering of the most vulnerable groups and met some of their needs, especially with the winter season, which adds new difficulties to the most vulnerable groups.

HUMAN ACCESS is keen to meet the requirements of the neediest categories, including the poor, widows, orphans, the displaced and others, and strives to scale up the scope of humanitarian assistance.





Funded by Kuwaiti Namaa Charity,

## three water wells launched in Hadhramaut and Shabwa

HUMAN ACCESS in the governorates of Hadhramaut and Shabwa executed a project to dig 3 water wells, two of which are in the regions of Baqoura and Al-Hamra in Hajar district of Hadhramaut, and a well in Al-Salamah area of Shabwa, financed by Namaa Charity in the State of Kuwait.

The wells had a vital role in supplying clean water to

about 2,300 inhabitants of the targeted areas.

The project's components involved drilling the three wells, operating them with a solar energy system, extending water networks to the beneficiary areas, and rehabilitating and constructing water storage tanks.



## Health office in Taiz reviews engineering design for building Misrakh's Hospital 2nd floor

HUMAN ACCESS in Taiz and the Public Health & Population office in the governorate discussed the requirements of the project to build the second floor of Al-Misrakh Central Hospital in Al-Misrakh district, funded by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). During their visit to the hospital,

the director general of the Public Health & Population office in Taiz and the director general of Al-Misrakh district were briefed on the engineering design for constructing the second floor, in the presence of the director general of the hospital.

The visiting delegation appreciat-

ed the efforts made by HUMAN ACCESS and UNFPA to support reproductive health services in the hospital, which provides its services 24 hours a day, benefiting thousands of people from the remote district.





## Training Courses

### Training for food aid project team on work pressures in conflict areas



The food aid project team in Taiz governorate received training from HUMAN ACCESS regarding work pressures in conflict zones and strategies for dealing with them, in order to equip them with the necessary skills to manage the work-related stress they face on a daily basis. The training session, in which 50 members of the project team participated, included a number of important topics, most notably how to deal with work pressures, build a work team, effective communication skills, self-discovery, and explore positive and negative personalities.

### Rehabilitation courses for 70 male and female trainees in Hadhramaut Coast



Funded by the International Islamic Charity Organization (IICO), HUMAN ACCESS in Hadhramaut governorate organized 6 training and rehabilitation courses in a number of professional fields, targeting 70 trainees from the coastal districts.

The goal is to get the trainees skilled in vocational and professional fields so that they can rely on themselves, earn livelihoods, and improve their economic situation. The areas of training and qualification



included sewing and embroidery, secretarial work, computers, perfumes and incense, handicrafts, hair-dressing and beauty, sweets and pastries, graphics and design, as part of continuous efforts to develop the capabilities of young people of both sexes to acquire vocational skills to help them engage in the labor market and bring about an economic transformation in their lives.

## Four training programs for women and orphaned mothers in Al-Mahra

HUMAN ACCESS in Al-Mahra governorate carried out two training courses in the fields of sewing and tailoring, and making sweets and pastries, for 24 women of poor and needy families.

The two courses equipped the participants with vocational professions that enable them to be self-reliant and find income-generating

sources that will allow them to improve their families' living standards.

In addition, two training courses were concluded in the fields of sewing, tailoring, and making sweets and pastries, targeting 28 orphan mothers, under the supervision of the Ministry of Social Affairs & Labor office in the

governorate.

The two courses enabled orphaned mothers to face the burdens of life and created sources of income for them to support their families and spend on their orphaned children, amid rising poverty and unemployment in Yemen.





## Leather goods training in Mukalla

HUMAN ACCESS in Mukalla, Hadhramaut coast, conducted a leather goods training course held within the context of “My Profession in My Hands Program 6” funded by Sila Foundation for Development. The course targeted 12 trainees of women and girls with limited incomes and orphans. The participants were qualified to manufacture school bags, wom-

en’s bags, men’s handbags, pencil cases, children’s bags, maintenance of sewing machines and introducing the trainees to the basics of sewing. The course also encouraged the participants to have their own businesses and create new sources of income to improve their social and living conditions and empower them economically.



## Field visit to safe space for children in As-Suwayda camp, Marib governorate

A team of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) visited the safe and recreational space for children in As-Suwayda camp in Marib governorate. During the visit, the team was briefed on the services and activities implemented by HUMAN ACCESS through the community center for the displaced, which help create a safe environment for

children to support their positive interaction with their peers and the surrounding community and exercise their rights to play through games and educational aids that help develop the child's abilities and skills. The team also looked at some of the children's works and creations in the space, as well as the obstacles and difficulties facing the space.



## Safe space in Al-Mahra receives UNFPA program coordinator

The safe space for women and girls in the city of Al-Ghaydah, Al-Mahrah Governorate, received the coordinator of gender-based violence programs at the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA),

Ahmed Sharaf. During the visit, Sharaf was briefed on the work progress, the difficulties facing the work team, and the solutions required to improve performance.



## Success Story

### Fears of first pregnancy and childbirth did not steal the joy of “Majani” to receive her angel

Many women feel afraid of pregnancy and childbirth, especially those who are experiencing the troubles of the first pregnancy. These concerns are heightened in areas where seeking health care requires an arduous and expensive journey. And according to UN reports, every two hours a woman dies during childbirth in Yemen from preventable causes.

Mrs. Majani Al-Bahsani, 20 years old, from Al-Madhabi area in Al-Maadi of Hadhramaut governorate, felt this fear as she went through her new experience of pregnancy. This fear has some justification, as her financial condition is difficult, and she lives in a remote area of Al-Shihr district, which lacks health care services and does not have money to reach remote health care centers.

#### Timely healthcare:

Majani's fears almost created many complications for her that would harm her health and her fetus. Fortunately, she was able to address these concerns due to the psychological and educational support provided to her by the Integrated Provision of the Minimum Package Project, which includes water, environmental sanitation, health and protection services for the most vulnerable displaced persons, that was implemented by HUMAN ACCESS with funding from the Yemen Humanitarian Fund (YHF).

#### As the date of birth approaches:

Fears returned again to “Majani” with the approach-

ing date of childbirth, as she feared severe complications during childbirth or the inability to obtain health care services. However, she was lucky again with the presence of the medical team of the project, consisting of a doctor and a midwife, in her area of residence, with the onset of labor pains.

The news reached the medical team, who visited Majani to her home and provided her with the necessary health care in a timely manner. It was not long before the beautiful event took place, which was the birth of “Manjani's” healthy baby that contributed to lighting her path and life.

#### Services extended to after safe delivery:

The project's services were not limited to providing safe delivery, but extended for a month afterwards. During this period, a maternal and child health service was provided, as one of the multiple services offered by this distinguished project, which was implemented by HUMAN ACCESS during the year 2022 with the support of YHF.

We do not know how the fate of Majani and her child would have been if she did not receive these services. We may, however, claim that the health care services provided by the project helped save the lives of many people, given that adequate health services are lacking or scarce in many parts of the country because of the war.





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