On 24 February 2022, after weeks of mounting tension, the conflict in Ukraine escalated, threatening the lives and livelihoods of civilians across the country, forcing millions to flee.

At least 15.7 million people so far are in urgent need of humanitarian assistance as this conflict has caused the world’s fastest growing displacement crisis since World War II. Almost 13 million people were uprooted in less than two months. Over a quarter of Ukraine’s population have been displaced. As of May 2022, over 14 million people have fled their homes.

There has been widespread urban devastation and destruction of civilian infrastructure. 300 health facilities are in conflict areas and 1,000 health facilities are in areas that have changed control. Nearly 50 per cent of Ukraine’s pharmacies are thought to be closed, with many health workers either displaced or unable to work. Around 1.4 million people lack access to water in Ukraine, and another 4.6 million people have limited access.

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APPEAL TIMELINE

Phase 1 (first 6 months) funding is for immediate response activities. Phase 2 (at least 30 months) ongoing humanitarian need, livelihoods, rebuilding etc.
DEC RESPONSE

25,700 PEOPLE TO BENEFIT FROM MULTIPURPOSE ASSISTANCE TO MEET THEIR BASIC NEEDS

171 CENTRES FOR INTERNALLY DISPLACED PEOPLE
(IDPs) supported with essential items and services e.g. information and protection services

20,700 PEOPLE to receive legal assistance and advice
124,500 PEOPLE to receive food assistance, for example hot meals and/or food parcels

41 HEALTH FACILITIES
to be supported, for example provision of medical supplies and medicines

2,500 HOUSEHOLDS to benefit from NFI kits containing blankets, towels, bed linen, kitchen sets
71,100 PEOPLE to benefit from hygiene kits containing toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap bars etc.

UKRAINE: EXPENDITURE BY SECTOR
Planned expenditure by sector. Phase 1 planned budget: 3 March 22 - 31 August 22

- 48% Health
- 17% Multi-purpose cash
- 17% Food assistance
- 13% Water, sanitation & hygiene
- 2% Nutrition
- 2% Other
- 1% Protection

Figures as of 12/05/22

Funds allocated: £120,000,000
Phase 1 budget: £74,500,000

£224.7m DEC Direct Donors
£25m FCDO Aid Match
£92.8m Member charities retained income

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