

TRANSITION & RECOVERY

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW & Q4 2019 HIGHLIGHTS



KEY ACHIEVEMENTS OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2019



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COMMUNITY ASSETS
REHABILITATED OF
A TOTAL 64 IN 2019



2,163

PEOPLE REACHED
WITH IMPROVED
ACCESS TO BASIC
SERVICES



82

TEACHERS CAPACITIES
STRENGTHENED
ON IMPROVED
EDUCATION SERVICES



1,044,036*

PEOPLE REACHED
IN 2019

**INCLUDES INDIRECT*

IOM implements transition and recovery programming to support recovery from a state of crisis and set the foundation for inclusive and sustainable political, social and economic development in Yemen. IOM and local partners work with communities to bridge divides and resolve conflicts in support of holistic community planning and needs prioritization. To improve the livelihoods of vulnerable households and maintain peacebuilding gains, IOM strives to build the capacity of local stakeholders, with the aim of them sustaining public and social services in the longer term.



PEACEBUILDING

IOM aims to resolve and prevent conflict, as a driver of crisis and displacement, by identifying its root causes, building local stakeholders' mediation capacity, and facilitating conflict resolution and social cohesion activities. As part of its peacebuilding portfolio, IOM, in partnership with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), works with water user associations (WUAs) to reduce local conflict over land and water while increasing local women's roles in natural resource management and conflict resolution. In this quarter, IOM and FAO commenced inception level activities for this work in Hadramout, including preliminary stakeholder mobilization and preparations for an inception workshop in January 2020. Earlier in 2019, IOM established seven conflict resolution committees in Lahj in conjunction with the rehabilitation of long-contested irrigation channels.



LIVELIHOODS

IOM implements livelihood interventions for vulnerable and crisis-affected families by providing immediate access to income through cash-for-work, and enhancing community livelihood assets such as local markets and agricultural infrastructure. Livelihood interventions are provided based on local market demands and opportunities to improve local production chains. Over the course of 2019, 2,308 households benefited from IOM cash for work activities.



COMMUNITY ASSET REHABILITATION & RESTORATION OF BASIC SERVICES

IOM restores and preserves basic service delivery by rehabilitating community assets, providing materials and supplies for public service providers, and building the capacity of local stakeholders, including public workers, local officials, civil society and community groups, to sustainably address community needs. Interventions are implemented through a consultative process to identify existent resources and community priorities. Rehabilitated infrastructure includes schools, technical institutes, irrigation channels, health facilities, local markets and other communal assets. In this quarter, IOM completed the rehabilitation of four schools in Lahj, targeting a total of 1,918 students and 245 teachers. IOM takes a holistic approach whereby physical infrastructure rehabilitation is combined with soft capacity building to improve education services. Teachers, parents and school administration are trained on topics such as psychosocial support, early reading, active learning, school administration and parent council functions. In November 2019, IOM, in partnership with the Lahj Office of Education, trained 82 teachers on school administration and early reading. This brings the total number of people indirectly reached by improved access to community assets to 318,783.



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Children in Yemen are living through the largest humanitarian crisis in the world. Not only affecting their safety and wellbeing, the crisis has caused severe damage to education services and schools.

“Our school was great before the war but then it came and destroyed everything,” says Husam, a student in Ali Abdulallem school, Lahj governorate, which was rehabilitated by IOM in the last quarter of 2019. “We had to study in tents. We struggled with the wind and rain, and sometimes had to leave school early because of the weather. We didn’t have any school equipment, not even a blackboard,” Husam explains.

To improve access to services, IOM works with local authorities and communities to identify priority community asset rehabilitation projects. In 2019, this support was focused in five governorates: Lahj, Hadramout, Aden, Shabwah and Abyan. The Organization rehabilitated and reconstructed 20 schools and educational institutes, benefiting nearly 14,000 students, teachers, school administration and family members.

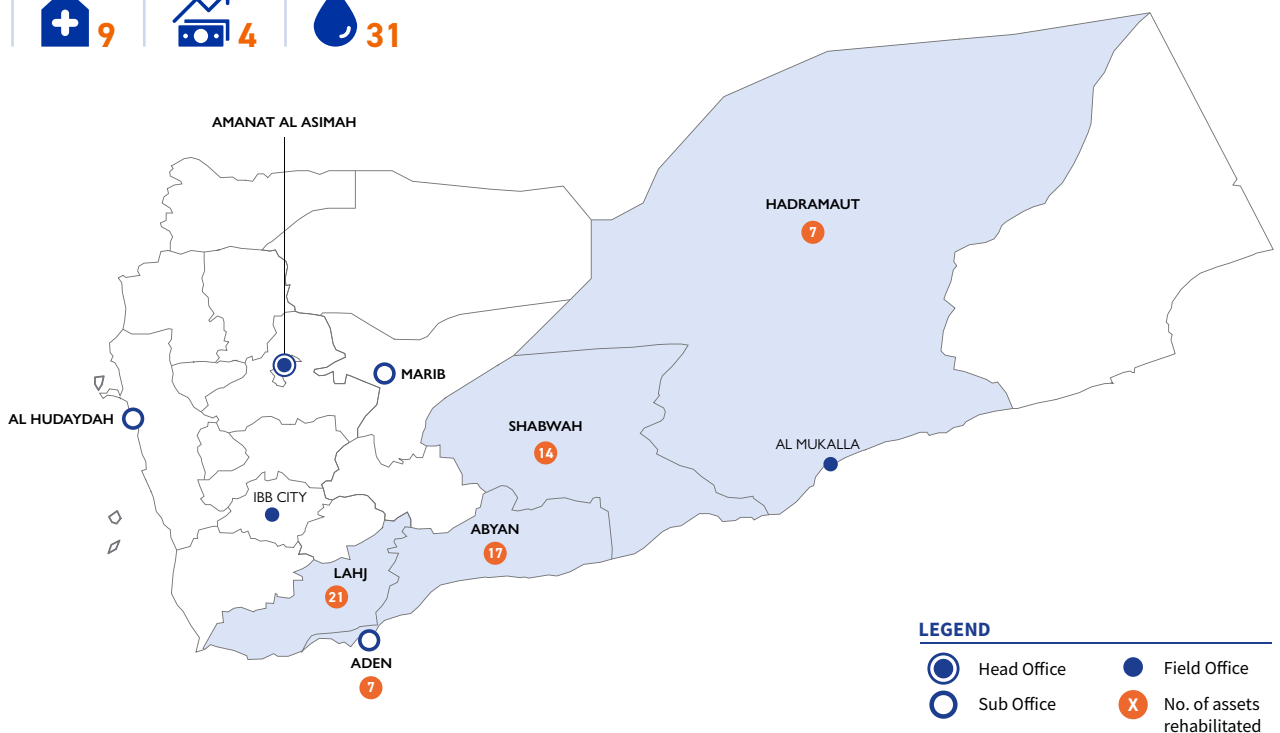
Husam’s school was one of four schools rehabilitated by IOM in Lahj during 2019. IOM also rolled out training sessions on psychosocial support, early reading, active learning, school administration and parent council functions, targeting 224 teachers and parent-teacher association members to further improve their students’ educational environment.

“Now hope is returning to students, teachers and school management, who spent a long-time learning and teaching under the scorching sun and in unfit circumstances,” said Mohammed Saeed, Director of the Lahj Office of Education, during one of the IOM teacher training sessions in Lahj.

Now that Husam no longer has to go to class in a tent, he can focus on his studies and future.

“This new building is helping us learn. Now we have spacious classrooms, a playground and proper equipment. My classmates and I feel excited to study again. We are starting to remember how things used to be [before the conflict],” concluded Husam.

COMMUNITY ASSET REHABILITATION 2019



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