

Appeal 2006-2007



International Federation
of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Yemen

Appeal no. MAAYE001

Appeal total: CHF 3,442,000 [<click here for budget summary>](#)

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Secretariat Programmes	2006 budget (CHF)	2007 budget (CHF)	Total (CHF)
Health and care	633,000	505,000	1,138,000
Disaster management	426,000	352,000	778,000
Organisational development	777,000	749,000	1,526,000
Total	1,836,000	1,606,000	3,442,000

Context

The Yemen Red Crescent (YRC), established in Sana'a in July 1970 and in Aden in January 1968, works as a voluntary relief national society auxiliary to the public authority in humanitarian action. The national society has full independence to work in accordance with the Fundamental Principles of the International Movement of Red Cross and Red Crescent.

After unification of the southern and northern states of Yemen in 1990, the two societies were merged creating a bigger NS with 12 branches and a headquarters in Sana'a. Since then, the NS has been operating in different conditions generally characterized by a process of stability with pockets of unrest and conflict in some parts of the country. In mid-July 2005, Yemen witnessed a mass uprising triggered when the Government announced removal of its subsidy on petroleum derivatives which resulted in an unprecedented massive increase in fuel prices (up to 100% rises in prices for diesel and benzene).

Yemen is prone to natural disasters (floods, earthquakes, and drought). Cycles of floods hit the country almost every year. The preparedness level is weak at both national and community levels.

With more than 40 % of the population living below the poverty line, Yemen is the poorest country in the Middle East and North Africa regional and poverty reduction remains a compelling challenge. Social services including health and education are at a very low level of development. The number of doctors per capita is seven times lower than the neighbouring Sultanate of Oman.

The humanitarian context in Yemen at a glance

Country Ranking	148th out of 175 in the UNDP HDI (2003)
Total population	19.2 million (2003)
Life expectancy at birth (years)	57
Annual population growth rate %	3
% population under 15 yrs of age	46.5
% population aged 65 and above	2.7
% urban population	25
% of the population living below \$1/day (below national poverty line)	42
GDP per capita (US \$)	800
Infant mortality per 1,000 live births	83
Under 5 mortality per 1,000 live births	61
Maternal mortality rate per 10,000 live births	36.6 (WHO EMRO 2002)
% of population using improved water sources	69
Net primary school enrolment ratio %	81

* Source UNDP HDI (2003) and World Bank Country unit Published data 20/9/2004.

Key areas of focus and highlights of achievements of the YRC

The YRC works with up to 3,500 active volunteers, covering 12 of 22 governorates. The NS has just developed a long term strategic plan for 2006-2010. The statutes are currently under review as part of the effort being made to strengthen the organization and operation of the NS based on more up to date rules and regulations

The YRC is building up its disaster preparedness and response capacities based on a series of vulnerability capacity assessments in several governorates. The long standing support the NS provides in health and social service are being improved based on evaluations with a trend towards consolidating the focus on communicable diseases including the prevention of HIV/AIDS. The YRC plays a significant role in the national effort of polio eradication

The new leadership of the NS has created a positive environment for cooperation and development which includes the process of strategic planning, legal base reform, and branch/volunteers development. There is also the opportunity to build strategic partnerships, especially with the UN agencies namely, UNICEF, WHO, UNFPA and other international organizations such as OXFAM. The YRC is developing a joint project on prevention of communicable diseases in cooperation with WHO, UNICEF, and the Ministry of Health in Yemen. Planning and management of the project, including financial management will be done jointly. A health consultant has been hired to conduct a study in the selected governorate of Hodeidah. The study will identify the main areas of focus and intervention methods related to health and DM. A joint YRC/OXFAM water and sanitation project linked to disaster

management will be implemented during 2006. The success of the pilot project will open up opportunities for further cooperation with OXFAM.

The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement Context

The Federation is supporting the YRC in health and care, disaster management and organizational development while the ICRC support focuses on dissemination, information, International Humanitarian Law (IHL) and safer access in connection with the disaster management and conflict preparedness.

The Danish Red Cross is supporting the YRC in terms of branch development and legal base review and development. The support is partly bilateral and partly multilateral through the Federation covering the OD component of the Yemen appeal. The NS also benefited from the capacity building fund (CBF) supporting branch development (computerization of the branches and training of branch/HQ staff and volunteers). Other partner national societies are expected to support the YRC based on the Society's priorities identified in its strategic plan for 2006-2010.

Priorities and strategies

In line with Strategy 2010, the YRC is operative in all areas of focus including disaster management, health services, organizational development, and dissemination of humanitarian values and IHL. The NS regards development of material/financial and human resources as a priority. This is reflected in its new strategic plan for 2006-2010.

<Click here for more information in the Federation Yemen R.C support strategy 2006-2009>

Strengthening the YRC

The YRC has a considerable strength related to:

- a newly established and committed leadership.
- increasing multilateral and bilateral support and
- a network of active branches with an increasing focus on branch development.

The strengthening of the YRC in 2006 and 2007 will depend on effective and optimal use of the strength of the Society to leverage further development in the various areas of engagement with increased alignment of the local/national priorities with Strategy 2010 goals of the Federation. The process of NS strengthening will also aim to enable the YRC to tackle some of its major challenges related to:

- lack of financial/material resources due to poor domestic resource mobilization leading to prolonged dependency on external support;
- a legal base review and the national society adjusting its policies and programmes in line with changing community needs; and
- limited capacity including lack of adequately qualified human resources

Overall goal

The Yemen Red Crescent has adequate capacity to provide improved services that effectively contribute to reduce vulnerability of its target beneficiaries.

Overall objective

To strengthen the YRC in disaster management, health and care, organizational development, as well as the dissemination of the Fundamental Principles and values of the Movement. (The latter is done mainly with the ICRC).

Programme objectives

Health & care: <[Click here for Health and Care logframe 2006-2007](#)>

Strengthened NS capacity for improved public health services and prevention of communicable diseases with growing focus on diseases affecting children and strengthened NS services, including prevention, in health services to vulnerable communities.

Key programme components include:

- Up to 100 YRC volunteers and staff have acquired more skills in community based first aid (CBFA) and psycho-social programming (PSP)
- The 16 health centres have been strengthened with the necessary training, tools and equipment
- Up to 50 uncertified health workers including nurses and traditional birth attendants have benefited from the specialized training that enables them to provide reliable services in remote areas
- Ten health clinics have been rehabilitated, including maintenance of buildings, basic medical equipments/tools
- The 2 mobile clinics of the YRC have been reactivated to provide x-ray and related services

Disaster management: <[Click here for DM logframe 2006-2007](#)>

DM capacity of Yemen Red Crescent society has been increased, thus allowing them to effectively increase resilience and reduce vulnerability of populations exposed to natural and man-made hazards

The programme will include a focus in the following:

- The HQ and 6 branches have been strengthened with focused training on and effective use of DM tools which include the dissemination of the SPHERE Handbook in 12 branches
- The planning and programming of the YRC is based on results of vulnerability capacity assessments which will be conducted in 7 disaster prone governorates, and
- Improved DM capacity based on computerized warehouse management systems.

Organizational development: <[Click here for OD logframe 2006-2007](#)>

The YRC provides improved services based on increased organizational and operational capacities.

The programme will include a focus in the following:

- Effective human resource development based on training needs analysis to be conducted at HQ and branch levels
- Improved systems and procedures based on better internal rules and regulations following from a review of the statutes
- Better prospects for self-reliance based on the development and implementation of a resource development strategy as part of the implementation of the Society's Strategic plan (2006-2010)
- Consolidated branch development including establishment of new branches in five governorates
- Consolidated communication capacities with more effective use of the existing computing and communication capacities and facilities at HQ and branch levels

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This appeal seeks to fund programmes to be implemented in 2006 and 2007. These programmes are aligned with the International Federation's Global Agenda, which sets out four broad goals to meet the Federation's mission to "improve the lives of vulnerable people by mobilizing the power of humanity":

Global Agenda Goals

1. *Reduce the numbers of deaths, injuries and impact from disasters.*
2. *Reduce the number of deaths, illnesses and impact from diseases and public health emergencies.*
3. *Increase local community, civil society and Red Cross Red Crescent capacity to address the most urgent situations of vulnerability.*
4. *Reduce intolerance, discrimination and social exclusion and promote respect for diversity and human dignity.*

The International Federation's is the world's largest humanitarian organization, and its millions of volunteers are active in over 183 countries. Our aim is to build safer communities, able to prevent and respond to human suffering in times of crises and distress, and where people work together to promote hope, dignity and equity. We work to support vulnerable communities through neutral, impartial, independent humanitarian action, in accordance with our Fundamental Principles and in line with the Red Cross Red Crescent Code of Conduct, the Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response, and the SPHERE Project.

PROGRAMME BUDGETS SUMMARY

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PROGRAMME:	Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Coordination & Implementation	Emergency	Total
	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF
Shelter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Construction	102,960	45,000	0	0	0	0	147,960
Clothing & Textiles	25,095	0	0	0	0	0	25,095
Food	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seeds & Plants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water & Sanitation	7,416	90,000	0	0	0	0	97,416
Medical & First Aid	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Teaching Materials	37,066	0	0	0	0	0	37,066
Utensils & tools	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Supplies & Services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	172,537	135,000	0	0	0	0	307,537
Land & Buildings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Computers & Telecom	7,500	68,000	0	142,857	0	0	218,357
Medical equipment	57,915	0	0	0	0	0	57,915
Other Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND, VEHICLES & EQUIPMEN	65,415	68,000	0	142,857	0	0	276,272
Storage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Distribution & Monitoring	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transport & Vehicles cost	14,980	96,980	0	27,960	0	0	139,920
TRANSPORT & STORAGE	14,980	96,980	0	27,960	0	0	139,920
International Staff	0	0	0	460,800	0	0	460,800
Regionally Deployed Staff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
National staff	45,924	34,714	0	22,962	0	0	103,600
National Society Staff	315,929	28,800	0	44,200	0	0	388,929
Consultants	4,633	0	0	87,755	0	0	92,388
PERSONNEL	366,486	63,514	0	615,717	0	0	1,045,717
Workshops & Training	335,004	271,000	0	524,857	0	0	1,130,861
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Travel & related expenses	14,000	10,000	0	91,220	0	0	115,220
Information & Public Rela	81,082	69,000	0	0	0	0	150,081
Office Running Costs	9,600	9,600	0	19,200	0	0	38,400
Communication Costs	4,800	4,800	0	4,800	0	0	14,400
Professional Fees	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other General Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GENERAL EXPENDITURE	109,482	93,400	0	115,220	0	0	318,101
Asset Depreciation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DEPRECIATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contributions & Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Programme Support	73,961	50,602	0	99,176	0	0	223,739
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TOTAL BUDGET:	1,137,865	778,496	0	1,525,787	0	0	3,442,148