UNDP Multi-dimensional livelihoods assessments in conflict affected areas in Yemen

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The assessment was carried out by....

• UNDP and the Central Statistics Organization with the Ministry of International Cooperation and Planning and relevant line ministries

• In cooperation with other UN agencies and civil society, through the UNCT cluster on Sustainable Livelihoods and Employment Generation working group
Objectives

• To collect comprehensive community and household level data on sources of vulnerability, asset base, businesses, coping mechanisms and adaptive strategies

• Basis for evidence based policy and programme development

• Baseline for programme development, monitoring and evaluation
Methodology

• Development of assessment tools

• Qualitative assessments- desk review

• Quantitative assessments- detailed household surveys and focus group discussions

• Development of a replicable assessment model and global guidance
Scope

• National level and Governorate specific livelihoods and employment contexts
• Impact of conflict on livelihoods and *vice versa*
• Analysis of livelihoods systems, in particular the most vulnerable (IDPs, returnees, landless women and small farmers)
• Coping mechanisms and adaptive livelihoods strategies
• Local labor market demand and supply
• Social cohesion and conflict prevention
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<td>Human</td>
<td>Household characteristics, level of education, available skills, participation in the labor force, age dependency ratio, and health particularly disability and chronic diseases</td>
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<td>Physical</td>
<td>Housing and shelter, water supply system and sanitation facility used by households, household assets, transport infrastructure, and telecommunications</td>
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<td>Financial</td>
<td>Salaries, livestock, remittances, access to credit, support from Social Welfare Fund, food security</td>
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<td>Natural</td>
<td>Landholding, food security and agriculture, access to common resources, rainfall and vegetation, land use and environmental degradation</td>
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Example diagram - Small farmers - livelihoods assets before and after the conflict
Displacement related findings

- Reduced household access to remittances
- Border restrictions significantly impacted labor migration and trade
- Significant impact of internal displacement on access to basic social services and livelihoods assets and employment (host communities and displaced persons alike)
- Social and economic impact of internal displacement on access to water and land- critical sources of conflict
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OUTCOME 1
Communities, in partnership with civil society organizations (CSOs), and local Gov authorities, have the capacity to implement conflict sensitive Area Based Livelihoods Development plans in a participatory self-help manner; and take ownership of, manage and maintain environmentally sustainable community assets including water resources.

OUTCOME 2
Strengthen policies, institutions, local and national level coordination, technical capacities and knowledge management to support sustainable livelihoods, including job creation.

OUTCOME 3
Create immediate employment opportunities and access to sustainable employment opportunities for at least 13,000 people (of which at least 5,600 women) through cash for work, microfinance, stimulating and enabling equitable MSMEs development, market access and value chain development. At least 92,000 men and women are expected to benefit from the project indirectly through higher income at household levels.

OUTCOME 4
Enhance community access to socio-economic infrastructure for more than 277,000 men and women to support productive activities, access to water and sustainable energy sources, in particular solar energy in their communities.

1. Social Cohesion
2. Policies-Capacities
3. Employment and Income Generation
4. Community Assets