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WFP BEGINS DISTRIBUTIONS IN WAR-TORN DISTRICTS OF ADEN

Location: Yemen
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00:00-00:31 Tuwwahi district, Aden
Shot 30 July 2015
People receiving WFP food rations, pulses, cooking oil and wheat flour.

00:31-00:47 Sana’a
Shot 30 July 2015
SOT Mohamed Diab, Officer-in-Charge, WFP Yemen Operations
“The humanitarian situation in Yemen is catastrophic to say the least, the situation has deteriorated a lot and it is incumbent on international community to support Yemen during this very critical period”.

00:47-01:07 Aden port
Shot 25 July 2015
Two WFP-chartered ship and a small boat started arriving to the port of Aden on July 21, altogether carrying more than 6,800 tons of food. This amount is enough to help about 400,000 people for a month in the southern governorate.

WFP chartered Ships, porters offloading WFP food bags

01:07-01:28 Sana’a
Shot 30 July 2015
SOT Mohamed Diab, Officer-in-Charge, WFP Yemen Operations
“World Food Programme now, currently we have ships discharging in ports of Aden Hodeida and Sharif so that we really continue to make food available all over the country. “

01:28-01:44 Aden port
Shot 25 July 2015
WFP chartered Ships, porters offloading WFP food bags
WFP Operational Update

30 July 2015

WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME BEGINS DISTRIBUTIONS IN WAR-TORN DISTRICTS OF ADEN

CAIRO – The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) has begun distributions of food to around 340,000 people in eight of the worst-affected areas of the southern Yemeni port city of Aden.

WFP partners are distributing two-month food rations in Crater, Dar Saad, Tawwahi, Khor Maksar, Muala, Mansoura, Buraiqah and Sheikh Othman districts – all areas but one (Mansoura) had not been reached since April because of conflict. The food includes wheat flour, pulses and cooking oil.

“We are challenging the odds to reach tens of thousands of people who would go hungry without food assistance,” said Muhanad Hadi, WFP Regional Director for the Middle East, North Africa, Eastern Europe and Central Asia. “We are working to overcome insecurity, checkpoints and many other hurdles in Yemen to reach desperate families unable to feed their children.”

- Three WFP-chartered ships delivered food assistance to the port of Aden last week. MV Han Zhi, MV Amsterdam and the smaller Sikka Star dhow docked in Aden’s oil port of Al-Buraïqa carrying a total of 6,800 metric tons of food – enough to provide emergency assistance for some 400,000 people for a month.
Since April, WFP has reached some 2.6 million conflict-affected and severely food-insecure people in 13 of Yemen’s governorates: Abyan, Aden, Dhale, Al Mahwit, Amran, Dhamar, Hajjah, Hodeidah, Lahj, Sana’a, Saada, Shabwa and Taiz.

On 22 July, the WFP-chartered MV Copenhagen docked in Aden with half a million litres of fuel – the first fuel vessel to reach the port since the beginning of the conflict in late March. WFP requires 1 million litres of fuel each month for its operations in Yemen.

Even before the war broke out, Yemen imported almost 90 percent of its basic food from abroad. The impact of traders being unable to import enough food and safely move it inside the country has led to a severe spike in prices, which is increasing the suffering of the poorest and most vulnerable.

Many road networks in and around Aden are currently now either inaccessible or very difficult to reach due to infrastructure damage and fighting. Aden airport is also still not open to commercial and humanitarian flights.

In July so far, almost 700,000 people are confirmed to have received WFP emergency food assistance – in Aden, Taizz, Amran, Sa’ada, and Labj.

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