

Research Terms of Reference

Rapid Needs Assessment, northern Hasakeh

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1. Executive Summary

Country of intervention	Syria				
Type of Emergency	<input type="checkbox"/>	Natural disaster	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Conflict	
Type of Crisis	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sudden onset	<input type="checkbox"/>	Slow onset	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Protracted
Mandating Body/ Agency	REACH				
Project Code	16DVV, 16DSQ/iAJJ				
Overall Research Timeframe (from research design to final outputs / M&E)	27/10/2019 to 16/11/2019				
Research Timeframe Add planned deadlines (for first cycle if more than 1)	1. Start collect data: 29/10/2019		5. Preliminary presentation: -		
	2. Data collected: 03/11/2019		6. Outputs sent for validation: 13/11/2019		
	3. Data analysed: 11/11/2019		7. Outputs published: 16/11/2019		
	4. Data sent for validation: 11/11/2019		8. Final presentation: End November, pending partner availability		
Number of assessments	<input type="checkbox"/>	Single assessment (one cycle)			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Multi assessment (more than one cycle) <i>Frequency of the cycle uncertain at this moment, this will depend on developments in northeast Syria in the coming weeks</i>			
Humanitarian milestones Specify what will the assessment inform and when e.g. The shelter cluster will use this data to draft its Revised Flash Appeal;	Milestone		Deadline		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Donor plan/strategy	--/--/----		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Inter-cluster plan/strategy	On a rolling basis, depending on contextual developments and related information needs		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cluster plan/strategy	--/--/----		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	NGO platform plan/strategy	--/--/----		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify):	--/--/----		
Audience Type & Dissemination Specify who will the assessment inform and how you will disseminate to inform the audience	Audience type		Dissemination		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Strategic		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Product Mailing (e.g. mail to NGO consortium; HCT participants; Donors)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Programmatic		<input type="checkbox"/> Cluster Mailing (Education, Shelter and WASH) and presentation of findings at next cluster meeting		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Operational		<input type="checkbox"/> Presentation of findings (e.g. at HCT meeting; Cluster meeting)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> [Other, Specify]				

			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Website Dissemination (Relief Web & REACH Resource Centre) <input type="checkbox"/> [Other, Specify]	
Detailed dissemination plan required	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No
General Objective	<i>This rapid needs assessment (RNA) is a response to escalation of conflict in northeast Syria (NES); its aim is to inform the overall humanitarian response for internally displaced persons (IDPs) in communities located outside of the Turkish buffer zone.¹ Specifically, the assessment focuses on non-TAF-held areas in Hasakeh governorate² that have been reported as main areas of arrival, origin and transit of IDPs following escalation of conflict^{3,4}</i>			
Specific Objective(s)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify demographic profiles of IDP and resident populations in key communities of Hasakeh governorate. 2. Identify priority needs and sector-specific needs of these populations across the following sectors: shelter, food, security, livelihoods, electricity and NFIs, WASH, healthcare, education and protection. 3. Identify short-term movement intentions of IDP and resident populations. 			
Research Questions	<p>Research Question 1: What is the total number of IDPs and residents living in assessed communities and what is the general demographic profile of IDP households?</p> <p>Research Question 2: What are the vulnerabilities and priority needs of populations living in assessed communities with regards to shelter, food security, livelihoods, access to healthcare, protection issues, and access to education, electricity, water, fuel and other non-food items?</p> <p>Research Question 3: To which services and type of humanitarian assistance do IDP and host community populations in assessed communities have access to and what how has conflict affected access?</p> <p>Research Question 4: What are the movement intentions of IDP and resident populations, including intended destinations and push and pull factors, as well as pull factors for those intending to stay?</p>			
Geographic Coverage	11 sub-districts in northern Hasakeh governorate in Syria: Al-Hasakeh, Al-Malikeyyeh, Amuda, Be'r Al-Hulo Al-Wardeyyeh, Darbasiyah, Jawadiyah, Qahtaniyyeh, Quamishli, Tal Hmis, Tal Tamer, Ya'robiyah			
Secondary data sources	Main sources include: NESMMI (September 2019), Iraq as well as media, open source reports, humanitarian reports from UN agencies and other humanitarian bodies.			
Population(s) <i>Select all that apply</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	IDPs in camp	<input type="checkbox"/>	IDPs in informal sites
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IDPs in host communities	<input type="checkbox"/>	IDPs [Other, Specify]
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Refugees in camp	<input type="checkbox"/>	Refugees in informal sites
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Refugees in host communities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Refugees [Other, Specify]
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Host communities	<input type="checkbox"/>	[Other, Specify]
Stratification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Geographical #: 11 subdistricts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Group #: 2 (IDPs and residents)
			<input type="checkbox"/>	[Other Specify] #: _ _

¹ As of 27 October 2019, this area consists of the territory seized by Turkish Armed Forces (TAF) between Tal Abyad and Ras Al-Ain, from the Turkish border up to the M4 Highway; TAF control may expand or reduce depending on future negotiations / developments.

² Hole, Markada, Shaddadeh and Areeshah sub-districts will not be covered, as these were not reported as areas of significant displacement.

³ REACH. Iraq - Syrian Refugee Influx Rapid Assessment. 24 October 2019

⁴ Northeast Syria - HNAP Flash Update #10 - 23 October 2019

Select type(s) and enter number of strata		Population size per strata is known? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Population size per strata is known? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Population size per strata is known? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Data collection tool(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Structured (Quantitative)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Semi-structured (Qualitative)
		Sampling method	Data collection method	
Structured data collection tool # 1 Select sampling and data collection method and specify target # interviews		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Purposive <input type="checkbox"/> Probability / Simple random <input type="checkbox"/> Probability / Stratified simple random <input type="checkbox"/> Probability / Cluster sampling <input type="checkbox"/> Probability / Stratified cluster sampling <input type="checkbox"/> [Other, Specify]	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Key informant interview (Target #): 1 per community <input type="checkbox"/> Group discussion (Target #): ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Household interview (Target #): ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Individual interview (Target #): ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Direct observations (Target #): ____ <input type="checkbox"/> [Other, Specify] (Target #): ____	
Target level of precision if probability sampling		NA	NA	
Data management platform(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IMPACT	<input type="checkbox"/>	UNHCR
	<input type="checkbox"/>	[Other, Specify]		
Expected output type(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Situation overview #: 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Report #: __
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Presentation (Preliminary findings) #: __	<input type="checkbox"/>	Presentation (Final) #: __
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Interactive dashboard #: __	<input type="checkbox"/>	Webmap #: __
	<input type="checkbox"/>	[Other, Specify] #: __		
Access	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public (available on REACH resource center and other humanitarian platforms)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Restricted (bilateral dissemination only upon agreed dissemination list, no publication on REACH or other platforms)		
Visibility Specify which logos should be on outputs	REACH logo			

2. Rationale

2.1. Rationale

Since the outbreak of conflict on 9 October 2019, residents of Northeast Syria (NES) are experiencing a new humanitarian crisis, resulting in massive displacement from the region, both internally and, to a lesser extent, towards the KR-I.⁵ A majority of IDPs originate from communities near the border with Turkey, with most of them travelling south to communities further from the border.⁶ In Hasakeh governorate, a majority of displacement has occurred towards urban areas such as Hasakeh City, Maabada, Al-Malikeyyeh and Ya'robiyah towns. Further, Hasakeh governorate has been reported as main area of transit for refugees crossing into the KR-I and coming from as far as Ain-al-Arab.⁷ Northern Hasakeh governorate, while less affected by military operations than northern Raqqa, has thus been at once an area of origin, transit and arrival of IDPs, with resulting strain on existing infrastructure and resources.

⁵ OCHA. Northeast Syria – As half a million people gradually regain access to safe water – the number of displaced people nears 180,000. 22 October 2019

⁶ Northeast Syria - HNAP Flash Update #10 - 23 October 2019

⁷ REACH. Iraq - Syrian Refugee Influx Rapid Assessment. 24 October 2019

The crisis in NES has created significant challenges for humanitarian information management. Accessibility and security issues within this area have so far impeded systematic data collection efforts – limiting the effectiveness of humanitarian planning and implementation. As the crisis continues, it is becoming increasingly important to fill information gaps in a systematic manner to promote more effective humanitarian response and planning for NES-forum-led, cross-line, and cross-border operations. In this respect, this assessment aims to address the information gap by providing needs information at the community level over as wide a coverage as possible in northern Hasakeh governorate.

3. Methodology

3.1 Methodology overview

An Area of Knowledge (AoK) methodology will be employed for this RNA. Data will be collected remotely, with participants living in refugee camps in the KR-I collecting information from their network of key informants in their communities of origin in NES. Wherever possible, this methodology will be complemented by phone interviews conducted by REACH with its existing network of KIs residing in NES.

The target coverage is of minimum 150 communities across 11 sub-districts in Hasakeh governorate, and will take place, for the first round of data collection, between 31 October and 3 November 2019. Data will be collected at the community level, with enumerators interviewing a minimum of 1 KI per community, and with KIs selected, wherever possible, based on their knowledge of IDP and resident populations and sector-specific expertise. Collected primary data will be then further triangulated with available secondary sources.

3.2 Population of interest

The main population of interest for this assessment are IDPs in assessed communities in northern Hasakeh governorate, where large number of IDP arrivals, departures and transits have been reported.

IDPs are defined as ‘Individuals or groups of people who have been forced to leave their homes or places of habitual residence, in particular as a result of or in order to avoid the effects of armed conflict, situations of generalised violence, violations of human rights, or natural or man-made disasters, and who have not crossed an international border.’

Residents are defined as ‘Individuals or groups of people who currently reside in their communities of origin, or communities of permanent residence prior to the Syrian conflict. This includes populations that were never displaced as well as previously displaced populations that have returned to their communities of origin’.

3.3 Secondary data review

Available secondary data sources will be used to triangulate primary data collection and will include data collected through the REACH northeast Syria Movement Monitoring Initiative (NESMMI), as well as available data from the Humanitarian Access Team (HAT) and the Sites and Settlements Working Group (SSWG) displacement tracking tool. UN agencies publications, as well as media and open source reports from humanitarian partners, will be used to provide further information on context, as a backdrop to interpret assessment findings.

3.4 Primary Data Collection

A key informant ‘Area of Knowledge’ (AoK) methodology will be used for primary data collection, as no direct data collection is possible in NES at the moment. Participants will be identified among Syrian refugees living in camps in Iraq. Participants will then be provided with a survey on 30 October 2019; they will have until 3 November to complete the survey by contacting their network of key informants via telephone, to gather information about their village/neighbourhood of origin.

There will be two categories of participants: refugees who have been displaced to Iraq before October 2019 (living in Domiz 1, Domiz 2 and Gawilan camps), and new refugee arrivals displaced to Iraq in October 2019 (Bardarash camp). Refugees will be chosen for participation where they: 1) are in daily contact with relatives that remained in their community of origin, within the geographical area of interest of this assessment, 2) demonstrate a community level knowledge, such as that found amongst teachers, doctors and engineers. Also, participants will be engaged wherever possible to increase the number of

village/neighbourhoods in the area of interest that can be included in the assessment. All will be provided with phone cards, which serve as an incentive to participate and facilitate continued communication with key informants in their area of origin. Their participation is entirely voluntary.

Reliability of data collected remotely will inevitably be lower than if direct data collection methods were used. To ensure data gathered through this exercise can be used, while accounting for varying degrees of reliability, the following key measures will be taken:

- Field teams will sit with participants to train them on the tool, and will remain on call during data collection to address any issue arising then;
- Data will be collected at the lowest possible administrative unit level, the village/neighbourhood level, to ensure that the area for which key informants are providing information corresponds directly to their actual area of knowledge, thereby mitigating unfounded deductions;
- A confidence rating system will be applied to each individual variable when triangulating data from several key informants (KI) reporting on the same village, based on the level of expertise that each key informant type is expected to hold within the area of investigation where they have provided information. For each question asked, confidence levels are assigned based on the KIs area of expertise and knowledge of the sector-specific situation. The confidence levels associated with each question are presented in the final dataset. When presenting results at sub-district levels or above, the average confidence level of KIs reporting on each individual variable will be declared. The full confidence matrix used to assign confidence levels is available upon request.

Where possible, the AoK methodology will be complemented by phone interviews conducted by REACH with its existing network of KIs residing in NES.

The questionnaire will be built based on existing rapid needs assessment tools used by REACH in northwest Syria (e.g. Southern Idlib & Northern Hama Rapid Needs Assessment, Round 5, May 2019), with adaptations specific to the NES context. Wherever possible, participants will be provided with the kobo form, which they will directly fill in and submit to the Kobo server. Paper questionnaires will instead be distributed to participants who are uncomfortable with, or cannot directly use, the Kobo application. In this case, once data collection is over, paper questionnaires will be collected by REACH data collection officers; they will then entry the forms into Kobo between 4 and 6 November.

For data collection conducted directly by REACH via phone interviews with the existing network of KIs, data collection officers will directly fill and submit a kobo forms.

3.5 Data Processing & Analysis

Once data collection/entry is completed, the regional data analysis team will check data; follow up will be done via phone with participants, wherever necessary, to address inconsistencies. Raw data will be cleaned based on follow up responses and all changes to the data will be logged. Village/neighbourhood level questionnaires will then be aggregated at the sub-district level:

- Continuous variables (e.g. #, %): average across all entries, sum across all entries (e.g. for population numbers)
- Categorical variables (select multiple, select one): most commonly reported responses at the sub-district level.
- Open-ended question: free text, qualitative narrative. averages for continuous variables and modes for categorical

Before preparing any narrative outlining findings, primary data will be triangulated with secondary data from multiple sources.

The data analysis plan is detailed in Annex 1

4. Roles and responsibilities

Table 2: Description of roles and responsibilities

Task Description	Responsible	Accountable	Consulted	Informed
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Research design	Assessment Officer	Assessment Manager	HQ Research Design Unit GIS Officer	Country Coordinator
Supervising data collection	Field team coordinator	Assessment Manager	HQ Data Analysis Unit	Country Coordinator
Data processing (checking, cleaning)	Assessment Officer	Assessment Manager	HQ Data Analysis Unit	Country Coordinator
Data analysis	Assessment Officer	Assessment Manager	HQ Data Analysis Unit	Country Coordinator
Output production	Assessment Officer	Assessment Manager	HQ Research Design Unit GIS Officer	Country Coordinator
Dissemination	Assessment Officer	Assessment Manager	HQ Communication Unit	Country Coordinator
Monitoring & Evaluation	Assessment Officer	Assessment Manager	HQ Research Design Unit	Country Coordinator
Lessons learned	Assessment Officer	Assessment Manager	HQ Research Design Unit	Country Coordinator

Responsible: the person(s) who executes the task

Accountable: the person who validates the completion of the task and is accountable of the final output or milestone

Consulted: the person(s) who must be consulted when the task is implemented

Informed: the person(s) who need to be informed when the task is completed

5. Data Management Plan

Detailed Data Management Plan available upon request.

6. Monitoring & Evaluation Plan

IMPACT Objective	External M&E Indicator	Internal M&E Indicator	Focal point	Tool	Will indicator be tracked?
Humanitarian stakeholders are accessing IMPACT products	Number of humanitarian organisations accessing IMPACT services/products Number of individuals accessing IMPACT services/products	# of downloads of x product from Resource Center	Country request to HQ	User_log	x Yes
		# of downloads of x product from Relief Web	Country request to HQ		
		# of downloads of x product from Country level platforms	Country team		
		# of page clicks on x product from REACH global newsletter	Country request to HQ		
		# of page clicks on x product from country newsletter, sendingBlue, bit.ly	Country team		
		# of visits to x webmap/x dashboard	Country request to HQ		
IMPACT activities contribute to better program implementation and coordination of the humanitarian response	Number of humanitarian organisations utilizing IMPACT services/products	# references in HPC documents (HNO, SRP, Flash appeals, Cluster/sector strategies)	Country team	Reference_log	Flash appeals Working groups strategy NES Forum strategy UNHCR Response strategy
		# references in single agency documents			
Humanitarian stakeholders are using IMPACT products	Humanitarian actors use IMPACT evidence/products as a basis for decision making, aid planning and delivery Number of humanitarian	Perceived relevance of IMPACT country-programs	Country team	Usage_Feed back and Usage_Survey template	Usage survey to be conducted in December 2019, following the release of the output, targeting working group coordinators.
		Perceived usefulness and influence of IMPACT outputs			
		Recommendations to strengthen IMPACT programs			
		Perceived capacity of IMPACT staff			
		Perceived quality of outputs/programs			

	documents (HNO, HRP, cluster/agency strategic plans, etc.) directly informed by IMPACT products	Recommendations to strengthen IMPACT programs			
Humanitarian stakeholders are engaged in IMPACT programs throughout the research cycle	Number and/or percentage of humanitarian organizations directly contributing to IMPACT programs (<i>providing resources, participating to presentations, etc.</i>)	# of organisations providing resources (i.e.staff, vehicles, meeting space, budget, etc.) for activity implementation	Country team	Engagement_log	x Yes
		# of organisations/clusters inputting in research design and joint analysis			
		# of organisations/clusters attending briefings on findings;			

ANNEX 1: DATA ANALYSIS PLAN

Research questions	IN #	Data collection method	Indicator / Variable	Questionnaire Question	Questionnaire Responses	Data collection level
Basic information	1.1	KI Interview	Enumerator code	Enter enumerator code		KI
	1.2	KI Interview	Governorate	In which governorate is the assessed community?	Admin list	KI
	1.3	KI Interview	District	In which district is the assessed community?	Admin list	KI
	1.4	KI Interview	Sub-district	In which sub-district is the assessed community?	Admin list	KI
	1.5	KI Interview	Community	Which community are you assessing?	Admin list; Other	KI
	1.5.1	KI Interview	Closest p-code	What is the closest community to this community?	Admin list	KI
	1.6	KI Interview	Informal settlements in the vicinity	Are there any informal sites and settlements in the vicinity (within 2km of this community), including collective centres? Informal settlements are defined as any collection of IDP households (must be more than 1), in any shelter type.	Yes, No, Not sure	KI
	1.6.1	KI Interview	Informal settlements in the vicinity	How many informal sites and settlements, including collective centres are present in the vicinity (within 2km of this community)?	Integer	KI
Demographics	2.1	KI Interview	KI types	Who is the person answering the following questions?	Civil Society Groups; Local Charities; Local Council Local Relief Committees; NGOs; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Elders; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Religious; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Elders; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Religious; Documentation Office Administrative Focal Point; Camp Manager; Teacher; Health staff (e.g. doctor, nurse); Mukhtar; Other	KI
	2.2	KI Interview	KI gender	What is the gender of the persons answering	Male; Female	KI

				the following questions?		
	2.3	KI Interview	Host population numbers	Do you know how many residents (households and individuals) currently live in this community?	Yes, No	KI
	2.4	KI Interview	Host population numbers	How many residents (households and individuals) currently live in this community?	Best guess	KI
	2.4.1	KI Interview	IDP population numbers	Do you know how many IDPs (households and individuals) currently live in this community?	Yes, No	KI
	2.5	KI Interview	IDP population numbers	How many IDPs (households and individuals) currently live in this community?	Best guess	KI
	2.5.1	KI Interview	IDP population number proportions	What proportion of IDPs arrived since the recent escalation in conflict at the beginning of October?	0%; 1-25%; 26-50%; 51-75%; 76-100%; Not sure	KI
	2.6	KI Interview	IDP Household profiles	What are the three most common profiles of IDP households living in the community?	Married men with their family (wife, children, other immediate family); Married men without their family; Unmarried/single men; Married women with their family without husband (children, other immediate family); Unmarried/single women; Unaccompanied children; Elderly; Persons with disability; Other (specify); Not sure	KI
What is the current humanitarian situation for populations living in assessed communities in terms of shelter?	3.1	KI Interview	KI types	Who is the person answering the following questions?	Civil Society Groups; Local Charities; Local Council Local Relief Committees; NGOs; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Elders; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Religious; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Elders; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Religious; Documentation Office Administrative Focal Point; Camp Manager; Teacher; Health staff (e.g. doctor, nurse); Mukhtar; Other	KI
	3.2	KI Interview	KI gender	What is the gender of the persons answering the following questions?	Male; Female	KI
	3.3	KI Interview	Dwelling type	What type of dwelling do most IDP households live in?	Solid/finished apartment; Solid/finished house; Collective centre (Non-	KI

				(three most common accommodation types)	residential/public building); Unfinished/damaged building; Informal settlement; Individual tents; Open areas; Other; Not sure	
What is the current humanitarian situation for populations living in assessed communities in terms of food security and markets?	3.4	KI Interview	Shelter adequacy issues	Are there any adequacy issues with shelters in the community, and if so, what are the three main issues for IDP shelters ?	None Insufficient number of shelters for the population Shelters are too small/not enough space for entire household Structures are not sturdy and break/fall over easily Many are heavily damaged/unusable Many are slightly damaged Lack of insulation from heat Lack of insulation from cold Leaking during rain Limited ventilation Lack of privacy inside shelter (no partitions, no doors) Unable to lock home securely Lack of lighting Lack of heating Other (specify) Not sure	KI
	3.5		Shelters affected by conflict	Has conflict affected access to shelter in the community since the conflict started at the beginning of October?	Access to shelter was unaffected by conflict (cannot select with any other option); Shelters were damaged, Shelters were destroyed, Shelters were occupied by armed groups, Shelters have become overcrowded; more shelters available due to people being displaced elsewhere; Other, Not sure	KI
	4.1	KI Interview	KI types	Who is the person answering the following questions?	Civil Society Groups; Local Charities; Local Council Local Relief Committees; NGOs; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Elders; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Religious; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Elders; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Religious; Documentation Office Administrative Focal Point; Camp Manager; Teacher; Health staff (e.g. doctor, nurse); Mukhtar; Other	KI
	4.2	KI Interview	KI gender	What is the gender of the persons answering the following questions?	Male; Female	KI
	4.3	KI Interview	Most common sources of food	What are the most common sources of food for IDP	Purchasing from stores; Own production/farming; Relying entirely on food stored from	KI

				households in this community?	previous weeks/months for emergencies; Assistance from local councils; Assistance from NGOs; Assistance from organised neighbourhood groups; Gifts from family/friends; Begging; Bartering; Borrowing; Hunting/gathering/catching; No food sources of any kind available; Other; Not sure	
	4.4	KI Interview	Coping strategies	What were the top 3 coping strategies used in the community to deal with a lack of food in the last two weeks?	No coping strategies used (cannot be selected with any other option); Reducing meal size; Skipping meals; Buying food with money usually used for other things; Purchasing food on credit/borrowing money to buy food; Selling non-productive assets; Selling productive assets; Spending days without eating; Consuming bad foods (e.g. food from garbage, weeds); Not sure; Other (specify)	KI
	4.5	KI Interview	Change in access to food	Has access to food changed since the conflict started at the beginning of October?	Access to food hasn't changed; Access to food is worse now; Access to food has improved; not sure	KI
	4.6	KI Interview (if KI health professional)	Malnutrition cases	Have there been cases of malnutrition in this community in the past two weeks? Malnutrition is defined as a lack of energy and nutrients in a diet.	Yes; No; Not sure	KI
	4.7	KI Interview (if KI not health professional)	Infant nutrition issues	Have there been any problems with feeding infants and children <2 years in the last two weeks?	Yes; No; Not sure	KI
	4.7.1	KI Interview	Infant nutrition issues	Please specify what problems?	Discontinuing exclusive breastfeeding during first 5 months Lack of infant milk products/or baby bottles/teats Lack of fresh food for children Other (specify)	
	4.8	KI Interview	Access to markets (in the community)	Were households able to access markets in the assessed community and other/nearby communities in the past two weeks?	Yes; No; Not sure	KI
	4.9	KI Interview	Availability of item-types in markets	In the past two weeks, how available were the following item types (in the assessed community or in	Almost always available; Sometimes available; Not available; Not sure	KI

				other/nearby communities)? Food items; non-food items; fuel		
	4.10	KI Interview	Markets affected by conflict	Has conflict affected access to markets for households since the conflict started at the beginning of October (both in the assessed community or in other/nearby communities)?	Market infrastructure was damaged, Closure of markets, Shop vendors were displaced, Markets were unsafe due to conflict, Travel to markets unsafe due to security situation, Transportation to markets not available, Other, Not sure: markets were unaffected by conflict (cannot select with any other option);	
What is the current humanitarian situation for populations living in assessed communities in terms of livelihoods?	5.1	KI Interview	KI types	Who are the persons answering the following questions?	Civil Society Groups; Local Charities; Local Council Local Relief Committees; NGOs; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Elders; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Religious; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Elders; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Religious; Documentation Office Administrative Focal Point; Camp Manager; Teacher; Health staff (e.g. doctor, nurse); Mukhtar; Other	KI
	5.2	KI Interview	KI gender	What is the gender of the persons answering the following questions?	Male; Female	KI
	5.3	KI Interview	Meeting basic needs (IDP)	What were the most common sources of meeting basic needs for IDP households in the community in the past two weeks?	Food crop production; Cash crop production; Sale of livestock; Livestock products; Waged labour; Petty trading; Petty commodity production (e.g. honey, clothing); Firewood and charcoal production; Fishing, hunting and gathering wild foods; Food aid; Loans and remittances or food gifts from relatives or fields; Humanitarian assistance; Other (specify); Not sure; High risk or illegal jobs	KI
	5.4	KI Interview	Barriers to accessing livelihoods (IDP)	What, if any, were the most common barriers to accessing livelihoods for IDP households in the community in the past two weeks?	No challenges; General lack of employment opportunities; Lack of employment opportunities that match people's skills; Low wages; Security situation in the community; Lack of access to resources needed for job (e.g. water for agriculture); Restrictions by local authorities; Discrimination in	KI

					job provision; Not sure; Other (specify)	
What is the current humanitarian situation for populations living in assessed communities in terms of electricity and non-food items (NFIs)?	6.1	KI Interview	KI types	Who are the persons answering the following questions?	Civil Society Groups; Local Charities; Local Council Local Relief Committees; NGOs; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Elders; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Religious; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Elders; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Religious; Documentation Office Administrative Focal Point; Camp Manager; Teacher; Health staff (e.g. doctor, nurse); Mukhtar; Other	KI
	6.2	KI Interview	KI gender	What is the gender of the persons answering the following questions?	Male; Female	KI
	6.3	KI Interview	Source of electricity	What was the most common source of electricity in the community in the past two weeks?	Main network (grid); Generator; Solar panels; No source of electricity; Other (specify)	KI
	6.4	KI Interview	Average hours of electricity per day per household	How many hours per day do households in the community have access to their most common source of electricity (on average over the past two weeks)?	None; Less than 2 hours; 2-4 hours; 5-6 hours; 7-8 hours; More than 8 hours	KI
	6.5	KI Interview	Change in access to electricity	Has access to electricity changed in this community, overall, since the conflict started at the beginning of October?	Access to electricity hasn't changed; Access to electricity is now worse; Access to electricity has improved; Not sure	KI
	6.6	KI Interview	Access to household and personal hygiene items in markets	Were households in the community able to access household and personal hygiene items in markets in the community in the past two weeks? Including Bedding items (sheets, pillows); Mattresses/sleeping mats; Cooking utensils; Cooking fuel; Cooking stoves; Water containers; Sources of light/solar lamps; Solar panels; Clothing; Shoes; Batteries; Disposable diapers; Sanitary pads; Soap; Washing powder (for clothes); Cleaning	Yes, most of these items are available and affordable; No, most of these items are available but unaffordable for a majority of people; No most of these items are unavailable in markets; Not sure	KI

				liquid (for house); Detergent (for dishes)		
What is the current humanitarian situation for populations living in assessed communities in terms of WASH?	7.1	KI Interview	KI types	Who are the persons answering the following questions?	Civil Society Groups; Local Charities; Local Council Local Relief Committees; NGOs; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Elders; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Religious; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Elders; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Religious; Documentation Office Administrative Focal Point; Camp Manager; Teacher; Health staff (e.g. doctor, nurse); Mukhtar; Other	KI
	7.2	KI Interview	KI gender	What is the gender of the persons answering the following questions?	Male; Female	KI
	7.3	KI Interview	Access to water	Which statement would best describe access to water in the community over the past two weeks?	Everyone/nearly everyone has enough water for their needs; More than half of the population has enough water for their needs; About half of the population has enough water for their needs; Less than half of the population has enough water for their needs; Only a few/almost no one has enough water for their needs	KI
	7.4	KI Interview	Challenges accessing water	Why were households in the community unable to access sufficient water in the past two weeks?	Main network not functioning due to damage; Main network not functioning due to general disrepair; Boreholes not providing water due to damage; Boreholes not providing water due to disrepair; Alternative sources not available; Alternative sources too expensive; Other, please specify; Not sure	KI
	7.5	KI Interview	Change in access to water	Has access to drinking water changed in this community, overall, since the conflict started at the beginning of October?	Access to water hasn't changed; Access to water is now worse; Access to water has improved; Not sure	KI
	7.6	KI Interview	Source of drinking water	What was the most common source of drinking water in the community over the last two weeks?	No drinking water was available; Main network; Surface water (i.e.: untreated water from the river surface that is distributed via the water network); Formal water trucking conducted by authorities or an NGO; Informal water trucking conducted by private citizens;	KI

					Community borehole for free; Community borehole paid; Springs, river or natural source; Bottle; Other, please specify; Not sure	
	7.7	KI Interview	Drinking water problems	Were there any problems with the quality drinking water in the community in the last two weeks?	No problems, water was safe to drink (can't be selected with any other option); Water tastes bad; Water smells bad; Water is a bad colour; People got sick after drinking the water; Not sure	KI
	7.8	KI Interview	Sanitation issues	What are the most common sanitation issues faced by households in the community at the moment?	None; Garbage in the streets; Rats and pests contaminating food and people; Sewage flowing onto the streets; Flooding in the streets; Open defecation; Other	KI
What is the current humanitarian situation for populations living in assessed communities in terms of healthcare?	8.1	KI Interview	KI types	Who are the persons answering the following questions?	Civil Society Groups; Local Charities; Local Council Local Relief Committees; NGOs; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Elders; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Religious; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Elders; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Religious; Documentation Office Administrative Focal Point; Camp Manager; Teacher; Health staff (e.g. doctor, nurse); Mukhtar; Other	KI
	8.2	KI Interview	KI gender	What is the gender of the persons answering the following questions?	Male; Female	KI
	8.3	KI Interview	Access to health facilities (in the assessed community)	Were households able to access health services at facilities in the assessed community and other/nearby communities, in the past two weeks?	Yes; No; Not sure	KI
	8.4	KI Interview	Access to health facilities	What health facilities, if any, were available to households in the past two weeks to address their healthcare needs (in the assessed community or in other/nearby communities)?	No health facilities available; Mobile clinics / field hospitals; Informal emergency care points; Private clinics; Primary care facilities; Hospitals; Not sure; Other (specify)	KI
	8.5	KI Interview	Healthcare affected by conflict	Was access to healthcare affected by conflict in the past two weeks (both in the assessed community or in other/nearby communities)?	Healthcare facilities were damaged, Closure of healthcare facilities, Healthcare workers were displaced, Healthcare facilities unsafe due to conflict, Travel to healthcare	KI

					facilities unsafe due to security situation, Transportation to healthcare facilities not available, Other, Not sure; Healthcare facilities were not affected (cannot select with any other option)	
What is the current humanitarian situation for populations living in assessed communities in terms of education?	9.1	KI Interview	KI types	Who are the persons answering the following questions?	Civil Society Groups; Local Charities; Local Council Local Relief Committees; NGOs; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Elders; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Religious; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Elders; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Religious; Documentation Office Administrative Focal Point; Camp Manager; Teacher; Health staff (e.g. doctor, nurse); Mukhtar; Other	KI
	9.2	KI Interview	KI gender	What is the gender of the persons answering the following questions?	Male; Female	KI
	9.3	KI Interview	Presence of functioning schools	Were children able to access schools at facilities in the assessed community and in nearby communities in the past two weeks?	Yes, No, Not sure	KI
	9.4	KI Interview	IDP children's school attendance	Approximately what percentage of IDP children aged 5-11 are currently attending school in the community?	0%; 1-25%; 26-50%; 51-75%; 76-100%; Not sure	KI
	9.5	KI Interview	Recent IDP children's school attendance	Approximately what percentage of IDP children aged 5-11, who have arrived to the community since the beginning of October, are currently attending school in the community?	0%; 1-25%; 26-50%; 51-75%; 76-100%; Not sure	KI
	9.6	KI Interview	Conflict's effect on school attendance	Was access to education facilities (of children 5-17) in the community affected by conflict in the past two weeks?	Education facilities were damaged, Closure of education facilities, Education workers were displaced, Education facilities are now occupied by military groups; Education facilities are now used as collective centres; Education facilities unsafe due to conflict, Travel to education facilities unsafe due to security situation, Transportation to education	KI

					facilities not available, Other, Not sure	
What is the current humanitarian situation for populations living in assessed communities in terms of protection?	10.1	KI Interview	KI types	Who are the persons answering the following questions?	Civil Society Groups; Local Charities; Local Council Local Relief Committees; NGOs; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Elders; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Religious; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Elders; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Religious; Documentation Office Administrative Focal Point; Camp Manager; Teacher; Health staff (e.g. doctor, nurse); Mukhtar; Other	KI
	10.2	KI Interview	KI gender	What is the gender of the persons answering the following questions?	Male; Female	KI
	10.3	KI Interview	Safety and security related cases	Have any of the following occurred in the community in the past two weeks?	Not sure None of the below Lack/loss of civil documentation Housing, land and property issues Family separation Exploitation Harassment Kidnapping Domestic Violence Sexual violence Threat from airstrikes Movement restrictions Threat from mines Threat from sniper/gunfire Threat from IEDs/SVBIEDs/BBIEDs Forced and early marriage Child labour Other (specify)	KI
	10.4		Presence of intercommunal tensions	Have any of the following occurred in the community in the past two weeks?	Tensions over access to basic services (water electricity) Tensions over access to education Tensions over access to healthcare Tensions over access to humanitarian assistance Tensions over perceived or actual price increases in the area Tensions over access to shelter Tensions over access to income / employment opportunities Ethnic / tribal / family tensions No tensions Other (specify)	KI

					Not sure	
What are the priority needs and assistance received by IDPs and residents in the assessed community?	11.1	KI Interview	KI types	Who are the persons answering the following questions?	Civil Society Groups; Local Charities; Local Council Local Relief Committees; NGOs; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Elders; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Religious; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Elders; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Religious; Documentation Office Administrative Focal Point; Camp Manager; Teacher; Health staff (e.g. doctor, nurse); Mukhtar; Other	KI
	11.2	KI Interview	KI gender	What is the gender of the persons answering the following questions?	Male; Female	KI
	11.3	KI Interview	Priority needs of households	What are the most important priority needs of IDP and resident population households in the community? First; Second; Third	Safety and security; Shelter; Health; NFIs; Food; Education; Water, sanitation and hygiene; Protection; Livelihoods; Winterisation or equivalent; Other; Not sure	KI
	11.4	KI Interview	Priority needs of households	What are the most important priority needs of IDP households who arrived in the community since the beginning of October in the community? First; Second; Third	Safety and security; Shelter; Health; NFIs; Food; Education; Water, sanitation and hygiene; Protection; Livelihoods; Winterisation or equivalent; Other; Not sure	KI
	11.5	KI Interview	Access to assistance	Did households in the community receive humanitarian assistance in the past two weeks?	Yes; No; Not sure	KI
	11.6	KI Interview	Access to assistance	What humanitarian assistance did households receive in the past two weeks?	Food; Shelter; Healthcare; Non-food items; Education; Protection; Water, sanitation and hygiene; Other (specify)	KI
	11.7	KI Interview	Food assistance provider	Who has provided assistance to households in the community? (select all that apply)	Local authorities; Local charities; Host communities; Private donors; UN agency; NGO; Other; Not sure	KI
What are the future movement intentions of IDP and resident households? Why do households intend to	12.1	KI Interview	KI types	Who are the persons answering the following questions?	Civil Society Groups; Local Charities; Local Council Local Relief Committees; NGOs; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Elders; Community Leaders (IDPs) – Religious; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Elders; Community Leaders (Host Community) – Religious;	KI

move? Why do other household intend to stay?					Documentation Office Administrative Focal Point; Camp Manager; Teacher; Health staff (e.g. doctor, nurse); Mukhtar; Other	
	12.2	KI Interview	KI gender	What is the gender of the persons answering the following questions?	Male; Female	KI
	12.3	KI Interview	Proportion of IDPs intending to leave	Given the current situation, approximately what percentage of the IDP population do you expect to leave within the next two weeks?	0%;1-25%; 26-50% 51-75%; 76-100%; Not sure	KI
	12.4	KI Interview	Most common reasons to leave the assessed community (IDPs)	For IDPs intending to leave the community, what are the three most common reasons for leaving the community?	Safety and security concerns here Cost of living is too high here Lack of access to income and employment opportunities here Weather conditions are unfavourable here Access to health services here is not sufficient Access to food here is not sufficient Access to electricity here is not sufficient Access to humanitarian assistance here is not sufficient Access to water here is not sufficient Access to education here is not sufficient Shelter conditions are poor Households are only transiting Facing eviction Other	KI
	12.5	KI Interview	Most common intended destinations (IDPs)	For IDPs intending to leave the community, what is the most common intended destination?	Camps within the same governorate Host communities within the same governorate Camps in another governorate (specify) Host communities in another governorate (specify) Community of origin Outside of Syria Other (specify) Not sure	KI
	12.6	KI Interview	Most common reasons to remain in the assessed community (IDPs)	For IDPs intending to remain in the community in the next two weeks, what are the three most common reasons for staying?	The security situation is stable here Other family / community members are here Livelihood options are available here	KI

					<p>Basic services (water, electricity, health, education, etc.) are available here</p> <p>Weather conditions are more favourable here</p> <p>Other</p> <p>Not sure</p> <p>Protect assets</p> <p>Movement restrictions</p> <p>Lack of safe alternative destinations</p> <p>Lack of safe routes to elsewhere</p> <p>Lack of money to pay for movement</p> <p>Inability to travel (elderly/disabled/chronic illness)</p> <p>Other (specify)</p> <p>Not sure</p>	
	12.7	KI Interview	Proportion of Resident population intending to leave	Given the current situation, approximately what percentage of the resident population do you expect to leave within the next two weeks?	0%; 1-25%; 26-50% 51-75%; 76-100%; Not sure	KI
	12.8	KI Interview	Most common reasons to leave the assessed community (Resident population)	For resident population households intending to leave the community, what are the three most common reasons for leaving the community?	<p>Escalation of ground-based conflict</p> <p>Escalation of aerial bombardment</p> <p>Anticipation of future conflict escalation</p> <p>Loss of income</p> <p>Loss of assets</p> <p>Loss of shelter</p> <p>Reduced access to services (water, electricity markets, education, healthcare)</p> <p>Change in administration/governing authorities</p> <p>Anticipation of forced recruitment to armed groups</p> <p>Other</p> <p>Not sure</p>	KI
	12.9	KI Interview	Most common intended destinations (Resident population)	For resident population households intending to leave the community, what is the most common intended destination?	<p>Camps within the same governorate</p> <p>Host communities within the same governorate</p> <p>Camps in another governorate (specify)</p> <p>Host communities in another governorate (specify)</p> <p>Outside of Syria</p> <p>Other (specify)</p> <p>Not sure</p>	KI
What additional information	13	KI Interview	Additional information on	Do you have any additional information about the humanitarian	Text	KI

can KIs provide on the overall humanitarian situation?			humanitarian situation	situation in the community in the past two weeks?		
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