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- More than two weeks into the long-awaited Gaza ceasefire, WFP has significantly expanded its operations, delivering full food rations
 and hot meals to over 525,000 vulnerable people. Bakeries have been restocked and reopened, nutrition supplements are provided,
 and cash assistance is distributed to help families meet urgent needs.
- The Logistics Cluster led by WFP, has scaled up its transport operations to accommodate the increased volume of humanitarian aid into Gaza since the start of the ceasefire. At the request of the Humanitarian Coordinator, priority is given to tents and shelter items.
- In the West Bank, WFP, in coordination with cash assistance partners, has reached approximately 1,170 households displaced from Jenin Refugee Camp, which has faced an ongoing Israeli military incursion since the start of the Gaza ceasefire.



These numbers are subject to change due to the finalization of the month's reporting figures from partners. The total beneficiaries figure accounts for overlap between people receiving more than one type of assistance (LNS figures are not included). PBW: Pregnant and breastfeeding women and girls. CU5: Children under five.

SITUATION UPDATE

- More than 500,000 people have made their way so far to northern Gaza since 28 January, following IDF withdrawal from the Netzarim corridor area.
- Temporary shelter remains the most urgent need, with thousands still sleeping outdoors. Logistics Cluster prioritised tent movement from Jordan during the reporting period and sent convoys of tents to Erez border points through the Government-to-Government mechanism.
- Prices of fresh supplies in local markets are slowly lowering as food enters Gaza, but costs remain significantly inflated (100-1000% higher) depending on the commodity.
- Rising violence and population movement restrictions are severely impacting the West Bank, with increased military checkpoints (900) and attacks on Palestinian villages (<u>PRCS</u>). Nearly all 20,000 residents of Jenin refugee camp have been displaced.



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WFP OPERATIONS

- General Food Assistance in Gaza (Since the ceasefire 19-31 January)
- Since the ceasefire, WFP provided general food assistance and cash-based transfers (CBT) to over 525,595 vulnerable people in Gaza. *The total beneficiaries figure accounts for overlap between people receiving more than one type and duration of assistance. Monthly distribution figures are estimates and subject to change pending final beneficiary reconciliation.
- General Food Distribution (GFD): WFP was able to deliver almost full rations—two ready to eat (RTE) food parcels and one 25kg wheat flour bag per household—which marks a major improvement from pre-ceasefire reductions.
- 22 WFP bakeries are now operational 8 in northern Gaza and 14 in the Middle/South area - WFP provides wheat flour, yeast and sugar. In response to growing demand from returning internally displaced persons (IDPs) in the north, Gaza City bakeries increased production on 30 January after receiving additional fuel. Bread is also sold at five retail shops. Delivery of free bread has also increased in Gaza City and the Middle/South.
- WFP provided **hot meals** through 61 kitchens across the Strip to reach underserved areas, hard-to-access locations, and individuals who may be overlooked or excluded from GFD. On 28 January, WFP reopened a kitchen in Beit Lahiya, North Gaza, with a capacity to provide 20,000 daily meals, and another in Rafah, which serves 1,500 daily meals.
- WFP provided lipid-based nutritional supplement packs to pregnant and breastfeeding women and girls and children under five and distributed high-energy biscuits at welcome points in Gaza City for those returning.
- WFP aims to reach up to 30,000 households (150,000 people) in Gaza, in one month, through multi-purpose cash assistance (MPCA), via e-wallets, to enable people to prioritize their households needs. So far, 15,791 households have received cash assistance.

General Food Assistance in the West Bank (1-31 January)

- In the West Bank, 190,438 people redeemed USD 2.9 million through cash-based transfers of 50 ILS per person. In parallel, 8,449 people received food assistance, consisting of 4,581 rations of food commodities.
- In Jenin, in coordination with other cash actors, WFP reached 1,167 households displaced outside of the Refugee Camp, with a one-time MPCA transfer of 1,640 ILS (USD 447) to cover their basic needs.

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Humanitarian Access and Capacity

<u>West Erez/Zikim</u>: Handles commodities from the Jordan corridor. <u>Erez</u>: Facilitates goods via Israel, the Ashdod corridor, back-to-back convoys through the Jordan corridor, and the West Bank. <u>Kerem Shalom/Karam Abu Salem</u>: Processes goods from Israel and the Egypt corridor, including trucks carrying fuel and gas. <u>Kissufim</u>: WFP assists Jordanian authorities in delivering critical medicines and infant formula via airbridge operations.

🔜 Supply chain

• In February so far, WFP delivered 297 trucks carrying 3,923 mt of food into Gaza.



CLUSTERS AND COMMON SERVICES

- Food Security Sector (FSS)
- Partners delivered limited cooking gas to northern Gaza for the first time in 15 months on 28 January. Demand is expected to rise as IDPs return to the north.
 - The sector continues to advocate for the entry of agricultural supplies. For instance, since the ceasefire, 310 mt of animal feed has been delivered, with 200 mt planned weekly, aiming for 2,100 mt to support livestock-keeping households, sustain surviving animals, and boost local meat and dairy production for improved nutrition.

Logistics Cluster

- In January, the Cluster facilitated access to 15 direct convoys from Amman to West Erez with 373 trucks carrying 3,460 mt of food, shelter, WASH, protection, health, and nutrition items on behalf of 12 partners.
- Since the ceasefire, the Cluster continues to transport operations from accessible entry points in the north and the south. An additional 1,700 m2 of temporary storage space has been secured in northern Gaza.
- To date, the Logistics Cluster has consolidated 37,497 m³ of humanitarian cargo at the warehouse in Amman and received 63,482 m³ for common storage in Gaza.



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