

Cold Weather Is The cause of Death

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Introduction

The death`s issue which caused by the cold weather in the IDPs camps in Marib governorate has become a tragic reality, as a result of the entry of the winter season and the severe cold waves in case the deteriorating and difficult living conditions in the displacement camps in Marib governorate.

This came after the announcement of the deaths of children due to the cold in the IDPs camps, where three children died in the displacement camps in Marib during the current month of December as a result of the low temperatures degree, the entry of winter season and the poor living conditions faced by the displaced people in Marib governorate at a time when the waves of displacement continue to be increased to The city and Alwadi districts in the governorate.

The phenomenon of death based on the cold weather in the displacement camps in Marib is due to several reasons, foremost of which is the forced and sudden displacement of displaced families, as these displaced families are displaced into the open or in primitive and poor-quality tents, and the lack of clothing or heating materials for them, in contrast to the poor winter interventions for these families.

The newly created camps are the most vulnerable camps to such natural disasters, which increase the suffering of the displaced day after day, and the governorate suffers from weak emergency interventions to confront disasters and accidents, which exacerbate the suffering of the displaced, and that the role provided by humanitarian partners from local and international organizations in the governorate is very weak. In this area, as emergency winter interventions are almost non-existent. Noting that the ١٨٢ displacement camps and sites in the governorate are more vulnerable to cold waves and natural disasters such as torrential rains and hurricanes, as they do not include waterproofing tents of poor quality, or the lack of necessary means of heating in them. Blankets and winter clothes, and its residents suffer from difficult financial conditions due to the deteriorating economic conditions in the country and the lack of income with poor health conditions that inevitably reflect negatively on people's lives and health, as diseases caused by cold spread on a large scale, especially among children, women and the elderly.

Preliminary stats

According to the reports coming from the GHO and the Protection Department of the Executive Unit in Marib Governorate, a number of deaths and some health effects that were caused by the cold weather increased its spread during the months of November and the first half of December in the displacement

Deaths

3 Children

Injuries

12,602

Injuries details

- 4235 cases of upper respiratory tract infections, most of them women, children and the elderly.
- 2099 cases of lower respiratory tract infections, most of them women, children and the elderly.
- Infection of 1867 cases of rheumatism, most of them women, children and the elderly.
- 3,425 cases of nasal influenza were infected, most of them are women, children and the elderly.
- 543 cases of whooping cough were infected, most of them are women, children and the elderly.
- 433 cases of diarrhea, mostly women, children and the elderly.



NEEDS

- Providing the necessary shelter materials for the displaced, such as blankets, beds, with their other items to relieve the cold on the displaced families, including children, women, the elderly, and those who suffer from diseases.
- Providing heating devices that may help relieve severe cold waves.
- IDPs shelters` maintenance, as many displaced families who live in temporary shelters which need urgent maintenance, especially the shelter made of iron plates (zang) and tree sticks.
- Adopting cement ground insulation projects for the surroundings of tents and nets to ensure that no cold leaks out and to guard against rain flow, rain and dust, especially that Marib Governorate is constantly suffer of dust as it is a desert area.
- Adopting emergency health projects to deal with winter diseases, especially for children and cases of weakness and those who suffer from chronic diseases.
- Replacing of damaged tents or providing them with thick two-layer cloth-type straps and patching worn-out parts in the tents.
- Providing the IDPs with basic food baskets, dates and foods that contain sugars, as they relieve the cold.
- Adopting economic empowerment projects for the displaced, since most families have lost their source of livelihood, and economic empowerment projects may alleviate some of the suffering and provide them with income, especially as the country is in a crazy rise in prices with a significant scarcity of job opportunities due to the war in

Recommendatio

- Providing a winter kit, heavy covers and winter clothes, especially for children, women and the elderly.
- Establishing an emergency intervention unit to face disasters and crises in the displacement camps.
- Providing health centers, medical services, medical staff, medicines and emergency medical supplies in the displacement camps.
- Providing medicines for chronic diseases (diabetes, pressure, heart diseases, etc.).
- Providing adequate and appropriate shelter for displaced families that secures them from cold waves, hurricanes, rain and other natural disasters.
- Providing NFIs for the displaced families, such as bids, blankets, etc., and providing the displaced families with basic food baskets, as they suffer from a lack of food interventions, especially there is a continuous influx of displaced people.

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