

STRENGTHENING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTHCARE IN IBB, YEMEN

After more than 15 months, the UNFPA Yemen team was able to undertake a mission outside of Sana'a to Ibb governorate in reaching out to the people most in need.

The mission was also another milestone in expanding UNFPA's presence in the UN hubs, with the positioning of an Area Humanitarian Coordinator in Ibb.



Handing over ceremony of reproductive health care equipment to health facilities in Ibb with the participation of the Governor, Abdulwahad Salah. © UNFPA Yemen



Emergency obstetric care equipment at the warehouse before being offloaded for distribution in Ibb. © UNFPA Yemen



A young displaced mother from Taizz, with her 2 day old baby arrived just in time at AL-Thawrah Hospital to delivery safely in a health facility. This is one of the hospitals equipped with UNFPA's support. © UNFPA Yemen



In July, UNFPA distributed over \$600,000 worth of equipment to meet the reproductive health needs of women and their newborns in Ibb, with the support of the Government of Germany.

These equipment would reach nearly 250,000 women of reproductive ages (15-49 years), of which 23,000 are estimated to be pregnant, across the governorate, including among those that have been internally displaced.

Emergency obstetric care (EmONC) equipment for comprehensive emergency obstetric care (CEmONC) in 6 hospitals and and basic emergency obstetric care (BEmONC) in 10 health facilities was distributed to address complications during pregnancy and children birth, averting nearly 100 maternal deaths in the next nine months.

In addition, UNFPA is supporting the establishment of 13 private clinics for trained mid-wives; and continues to provide dignity kits and services to addresses issues of gender-based violence among conflict affected women and girls in Ibb.



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Abdulwahad Salah , Governor of Ibb

250,000

Women of reproductive age (15-49 years) would be reached with these equipment.

23,000

Women are expected to be pregnant within Ibb, including among those who have been internally displaced by the ongoing fighting in the neighboring governorate Taizz.

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Nearly 100 maternal death will be averted in the next nine months with these emergency obstetric care equipment.

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Health facilities have been provided with equipment for CEmONC (6 hospitals) and BEmONC (10 health facilities).

