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Activities Highlights

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525 staff members based in Kyiv, Donetsk, Luhansk, Mariupol, Sievierodonetsk, Sloviansk and Odesa



Health Care

- 12 hospitals on both sides of the LoC were supported with **medicines, dressing materials and other medical items** to provide medical care to weapon-wounded and sick.
- 39 **primary health care facilities** on both sides of the LoC received chronic disease medications.
- 1 **blood bank** was supported with reagents and blood bags.
- 53 **social workers and volunteers** were provided with psychosocial support.
- 140 **local residents, health care and social workers** were trained on how to provide **psychosocial support** during 10 sessions.
- 120 **people** residing along the LoC received **psychosocial support** during 78 group sessions and home visits.



Caring for the Dead

- 24 **heads of search units of the National Police** participated in a workshop on the identification of human remains.
- 2 **medico legal bureaux** received specialized equipment.
- 83 **CIMIC officers, Diplomatic Academy students and URCS representatives** participated in information sessions on search for the missing and management of the dead.



Missing

- 127 **Ukrainian authorities** and official representatives from 13 countries participated in **international conference** on the search for the missing and support to their families.
- 49 **families** of missing persons received **cash assistance**.
- 13 **families of missing persons** were provided with psychosocial support.



Family Links

- 8 **new tracing requests** for persons unaccounted for were received.
- 712 **cases of missing persons** registered with the ICRC since the beginning of the conflict remain **active**. **Seven tracing request** were closed.
- 1 **family** was assisted with transport to reunite with their family member separated as a consequence of the armed conflict.



Respect for IHL

- 60 **public servants** participates in two ICRC trainings on IHL and humanitarian actions conducted at the Diplomatic Academy and the Legislative Institute.



Water & Habitat

- 36,000 **litres of potable water** were distributed to the residents of Toretsk due to damages of the pipeline supplying water to the town.
- around 1,000 **people** in 17 localities on both sides of the LoC received **tools and construction materials** for the rehabilitation of damaged houses, including emergency repairs.
- 8 **social institutions (incl. medical)**, serving over 1,200 people, received construction materials for improvement of living and sanitary conditions.
- 2 **detention facilities** were supported with construction materials (cement, bitumen primer, etc.) and equipment (like ovens, refrigerators) to improve conditions of detention.
- 4 **localities** on both sides of the LoC received operation and maintenance materials (as pipes, batteries, etc.) to **support water infrastructure**.



Access to Education

- over 3,000 **teachers and pupils** benefitted from improvement of facilities and the installation of anti-blast film in 15 schools and kindergartens.
- over 5,000 **children** on both sides of the LoC improved their **knowledge of mine risks** as a result of 33 theatrical performances.
- 2 **schools** were provided with 20 torches, 20 foil blankets and other materials for their shelters.



Cooperation with the URCS

- around 1,400 **people** affected by the ammunition depot explosion in Chernihiv region were assisted by **ERT volunteers**, supported by the ICRC.
- 2,000 **patients** residing close to the LoC were assisted by **four URCS mobile clinics**, with the support of the Finnish Red Cross and the ICRC.
- around 700 **elderly people living alone**, including persons with disabilities, on both sides of the LoC, were assisted by 105 Red Cross **home-visiting nurses**, supported by the ICRC.
- around 80 **children and adults** in Avdiivka were provided with psychological relief via a **puppet performance** organized by URCS volunteers.
- about 250 **Red Cross volunteers** participated in joint distributions of aid, reparation of houses, first aid, psychosocial support, risk awareness and safer behavior programmes.



Armed & Security Forces

- 32 **CIMIC officers, UAF legal advisers and commanders** participated in two IHL sessions.
- 27 **cadets** of a military institute were trained in IHL with participation of the ICRC.



Economic Security

- around 33,000 **people** on both sides of the LoC each received 17kg **food parcels**, which contain buckwheat, rice, pasta, flour, sunflower oil, sugar, canned beef and sardines, tea and yeast.
- around 33,000 **people** on both sides of the LoC each received **hygiene parcels** containing essential items such as soap, washing powder and shampoo.
- 700 **persons** benefited from support provided to four social institutions (bulbs, beds, mattresses, detergents etc.).
- around 1,200 **households** in GCA received cash support for their livestock and farming activities.
- around 1,700 **households** received in-kind support for their farming activities: greenhouses, vegetable seeds, compost, fungicides and insecticides.
- 126 **households** were trained in livestock maintenance and household economy.
- 300 **persons** improved their business planning skills during trainings conducted within ICRC small business support programme.
- around 200 **families of persons injured or deceased** due to the conflict were provided with cash assistance (GCA) or food parcels and essential hygiene items.
- 27 **tons of wooden briquettes** were provided to residents of remote villages for heating of they houses during winter time.



Mine Risk

- around 500 **people** on both sides of the LoC improved their knowledge of **mine risks** during 38 information sessions.
- 8,000 **mine risk education posters and leaflets** were distributed to people residing along the LoC.
- 1,000 **marking signs, 50 rolls of marking tape and 600 litres of drinking water** were donated to SESU in response to the ammunition depot explosion in Chernihiv region.
- 37 **signs** donated to a relevant structure to mark a dangerous area in the Donetsk region.



Detention

- 103 **detainees**, including 12 newly registered detainees, were visited by ICRC delegates in twenty places of detention in GCA.
- 14 **short oral and written messages** were exchanged between detainees and their families.
- 71 **penitentiary staff** participated in a seminar on the international standards of the treatment of prisoners and ICRC work in detention.

Acronyms: ERT — emergency response team; CIMIC — Civil-Military Cooperation of the Armed Forces of Ukraine; GCA — Government Controlled Areas; NGCA — Non-Government Controlled Areas; LoC — line of contact; IHL — international humanitarian law; SESU — State Emergency Service of Ukraine; UAF — Ukrainian Armed Forces; URCS — Ukrainian Red Cross Society.

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