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IN SUPPORT OF THE EGYPTIAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY

27
National Society branches

38
National Society local units

1,512
National Society staff

65,000
National Society volunteers

PEOPLE REACHED

Emergency Operations	Climate and environment	Disasters and crises	Health and wellbeing	Migration and displacement	Values, power and inclusion
525,000	**150,000**	**400,000**	**800,000**	**1M**	**100,000**

No information at time of publication. Figures reflect targeted reach in 2025 plan

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

in Swiss francs (CHF)

Egyptian Red Crescent Society

Overview	
Funding	*Not reported*
Expenditure	*Not reported*

Funding Sources	
IFRC Secretariat	*Not reported*
Participating National Societies	*Not reported*
HNS other funding sources	*Not reported*

IFRC network

Country			
IFRC Secretariat	Longer-term	Funding Requirement	20M
		Funding	*Not reported*
		Expenditure	*Not reported*
	Emergency Operations	Funding Requirement	10.5M
		Funding	12.1M
		Expenditure	8.1M
Participating National Societies		Funding Requirement	163,000
		Funding	617,000
		Expenditure	579,000
HNS other funding sources		Funding Requirement	10M
		Funding	*Not reported*

Appeal number **MAAEG002**

***Information on data scope and limitations is available on the back page**

ENABLING FUNCTIONS

National Society development	National Society covers health, accident and death compensation for all of its volunteers
	National Society has created and implemented youth engagement strategies
Accountability and agility	National Society has a Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) policy to enforce prevention and support survivors
	National Society is implementing a digital transformation roadmap in line with the IFRC strategy

IFRC NETWORK BILATERAL-SUPPORTED ACTIVITIES

National Society	Funding Reported	Climate and environment	Disasters and crises	Health and wellbeing	Migration and displacement	Values, power and inclusion	Enabling Functions
Netherlands Red Cross	117,000						
Turkish Red Crescent	500,000						

Total Funding Reported **CHF 617,000**

Q1. OVERALL PERFORMANCE

Context

In 2025, Egypt continued to face a complex humanitarian and development context shaped by rapid population growth, economic pressures, displacement and climate-related risks. With a population exceeding 116 million, more than 60 per cent under the age of 30 and 55.6 per cent living in rural areas, the country faced challenges in service delivery, youth employment and equitable development. Although gross domestic product reached USD 366 billion in 2023/2024 and unemployment declined to 6.6 per cent, inflation remained high at 13.5 per cent in April 2025, increasing the cost of healthcare, housing and transportation and affecting the livelihoods of vulnerable populations.

Egypt also remained at the centre of a major regional displacement crisis. By 2024, an estimated nine million displaced people and migrants from more than 130 countries were living in the country. Since the outbreak of conflict in Sudan in 2023, over 1.5 million Sudanese nationals have entered Egypt, making it the largest host of Sudanese refugees globally. According to the UNHCR, 299,527 refugees and asylum seekers were registered in Egypt in 2025, of whom 88 per cent were Sudanese. The ongoing crises in Sudan, Gaza and Libya continue to place significant pressure on public services, humanitarian assistance and host communities.

Climate and environmental risks further compounded these challenges. Rising temperatures, water scarcity, land degradation and sea-level rise continued to threaten livelihoods, food production and population stability. The Nile Delta, home to more than 40 per cent of Egypt's population and the majority of its agricultural production, remained particularly vulnerable, with severe flooding occurring in 2025.

According to projections from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) and Egypt's Ministry of Environment, sea levels along the Mediterranean coast could rise by 25 to 98 centimetres by the end of the century, increasing the risk of flooding, salinisation of agricultural land and displacement. Egypt also faced severe water insecurity, with renewable freshwater resources remaining below the internationally recognised water poverty threshold of 1,000 cubic metres per person per year.

Key achievements

Climate and environment

In 2025, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society strengthened the foundation for long-term climate resilience programming through institutional capacity development, community-based risk assessments and the promotion of locally driven adaptation solutions. Capacity to assess climate risks and integrate nature-based solutions (NbS) into resilience programming was enhanced through enhanced Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment (eVCA) and environmental sustainability training. Through the STREAM project, community assessments and an enhanced Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment (eVCA) were conducted to identify climate, environmental and socio-economic risks. Nature-based solutions (NbS) and climate-smart livelihood options were identified and validated and community awareness sessions on climate change, environmental sustainability and heatwave preparedness were delivered.

Disasters and crises

In this reporting period, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society continued its response to Nile River flooding and expanded operations to address emerging needs. Essential relief items, hygiene assistance and multipurpose cash assistance were provided to support affected households and contribute to early recovery. Access to primary healthcare, disease prevention services and Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) was maintained through mobile health teams and volunteers. Preparedness and response capacity were further strengthened through specialized training, equipment provision and Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) activities.

Health and wellbeing

In 2025, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society improved access to healthcare through medical services, health awareness campaigns and volunteer capacity-building initiatives. Infection prevention and control measures were strengthened through training and awareness activities. Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) services were prioritized through counselling, psychological support, child-focused interventions and emergency preparedness training. Water,

sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) infrastructure was improved through rehabilitation works, maintenance activities, expanded water access, hygiene promotion and volunteer training.

Migration and displacement

In this reporting period, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society provided integrated health, protection, psychosocial, educational and humanitarian assistance to migrants, refugees and displaced populations. Healthcare services, psychosocial support, gender-based violence prevention and response activities, multipurpose cash assistance and relief distributions were delivered to address urgent needs. Educational and life-skills activities were provided to migrant and refugee children, including through the Junior Rescuer initiative. Migration and protection programming was further strengthened through the Pathways to Protection initiative, which enhanced referral mechanisms, community engagement, staff and volunteer capacities and support for people on the move.

Values, power and inclusion

In 2025, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society continued to integrate Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) across its programmes to promote dignity, protection, inclusion and equitable access to services. Free healthcare services, health awareness activities and Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) interventions were provided to vulnerable populations. School-based activities addressing well-being, personal safety, and gender-based violence prevention were implemented. Additionally, referral pathways for specialized services were maintained. Institutional capacity was also strengthened through training on survivor-centred gender-based violence case management, Psychological First Aid (PFA) and psychosocial support.

Enabling local actors

During the period from January to December 2025, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society strengthened its institutional capacity and organisational development. Progress was made in advancing the IFRC financing architecture, enhancing resource mobilization and financial sustainability. Staff and volunteers were trained in the Digital Volunteer Management System and eLearning platform to improve efficiency and operational readiness. Information Security (InfoSec) standards were promoted through awareness and training, and logistics and warehouse management systems were strengthened through technical assessments, standardised procedures, and improved safety and maintenance guidance. The National Society also enhanced its engagement within the IFRC network and continued investing in youth leadership, innovation, inclusion and volunteer development. A key milestone for the IFRC in Egypt was the signing of a Legal Status Agreement for the IFRC country delegation in Egypt. The agreement provides an important foundation for strengthening the IFRC's presence and engagement in Egypt, enabling enhanced support to the Egyptian Red Crescent Society in the implementation of its humanitarian response operations and strategic priorities.

Humanitarian diplomacy and Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) remained key priorities. The Egyptian Red Crescent Society strengthened partnerships with government authorities, UN agencies, diplomatic missions and humanitarian organizations. It advocated for safe humanitarian access and the protection of people affected by the Gaza crisis and Sudan displacement response. Through its logistics hubs and operational expertise, the National Society reinforced Egypt's role as a regional humanitarian hub. Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) mechanisms were strengthened through regular needs assessments, community participation, feedback systems and capacity-building for community leaders and volunteers, ensuring that programmes remained responsive to the evolving needs of refugees and migrants.

Q2. CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS

In this reporting period, no changes or amendments were made by the National Society.

Q3. MEASURING RESULTS OF THE IFRC NETWORK ACTION

ONGOING EMERGENCY RESPONSE

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1.

Emergency Appeal Name	Sudan Crisis: Regional Population Movement Emergency Appeal
IFRC Emergency Appeal code	MDRS1001 (MDREG020)
People to be assisted	450,000 in Egypt; 705,700 (regional total)
Duration	42 months (15 May 2023 to 31 December 2026)
Funding requirements	Total IFRC funding requirement: CHF 33.5 million Total Federation-wide funding requirement: CHF 42 million Federation-wide funding requirement for Egypt: CHF 10 million
Link to Revised Emergency Appeal	Revised Sudan Crisis Regional Population Movement Emergency Appeal
Latest Revised Operational Strategy	Revised Sudan Crisis Regional Population Movement Operational Strategy
Link to Latest Operations Update	Operations Update No. 6

Since the escalation of conflict in Sudan in April 2023, the crisis has driven large-scale displacement across the region, with over 11.5 million people displaced, including approximately 4.5 million fleeing to neighbouring countries such as Ethiopia, South Sudan, Chad, Uganda, Egypt, Libya and the Central African Republic. This mass movement of people has placed significant pressure on border areas and host communities, overwhelming already limited resources and essential services. Across the region, health systems have come under severe strain, with increasing outbreaks of communicable diseases linked to overcrowding, inadequate shelter, and poor water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) conditions. Food insecurity has sharply deteriorated, with crisis and emergency levels of hunger observed in multiple contexts. These overlapping pressures have contributed to a rapidly worsening humanitarian situation, affecting both displaced populations and host communities.

Since April 2023, Egypt has received an estimated 1.5 million displaced individuals, making it one of the primary host countries in the region. The influx has been characterized by diverse and heightened vulnerabilities, including a high proportion of women and children, as well as older persons and individuals living with disabilities, chronic illnesses or mental health conditions. Humanitarian needs have remained substantial and evolving. Priority areas included access to essential and specialized healthcare services, particularly maternal and mental health care; strengthened protection mechanisms; expanded livelihood opportunities and cash-based support; improved access to education; and psychosocial services to address trauma associated with the displacement.

Short description of the operational emergency strategy

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society has continued to respond to the Sudan crisis through Humanitarian Service Points along the Sudan border and across Egypt, providing healthcare, relief assistance and protection services to refugees and vulnerable host communities. The response prioritizes strengthening emergency preparedness and response capacities, expanding health, mental health and psychosocial support, water, sanitation and hygiene services, scaling up cash assistance and supporting education, livelihoods and vocational training for displaced populations. Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) measures, including child protection, disability inclusion and gender-based violence prevention, are being integrated across the operation, alongside stronger Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) mechanisms to ensure services remain responsive to the needs of refugees and host communities.

For the period from 30 May 2023 to 31 December 2025, the following assistance was provided by the Egyptian Red Crescent Society:

Shelter, housing and settlements

The most urgent shelter and household needs of displaced families arriving from Sudan were addressed through the provision of essential relief items, temporary shelter and basic household materials to support safety, comfort and dignity. Basic sleeping arrangements and temporary accommodation were provided to families who arrived with few belongings, contributing to improved living conditions and immediate relief.

Food security and livelihoods (FSL)

Food assistance was provided to people on the move through Humanitarian Service Points at key border crossings and transit locations, while substantial humanitarian aid shipments containing food and relief items were delivered to support the Sudanese Red Crescent. Additional humanitarian assistance was dispatched through land convoys based on coordinated priorities, helping address urgent needs of people affected by the Sudan crisis.

Cash and voucher assistance

Multipurpose cash assistance was provided to about 17,570 people.

Health and care

Trained volunteers provided first aid and pre-hospital care to people on the move, helping stabilise health conditions and facilitate access to further medical assistance. Health promotion activities also supported displaced populations and communities hosting them with health awareness messaging and guidance on accessing essential services and adopting preventive health practices.

Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI)

PGI efforts focused on institutional capacity strengthening, including training in Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA), Protection and Response to Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) and safeguarding, as well as Psychological First Aid (PFA) and Community-Based Health and First Aid (CBHFA), enhancing the ability of staff and volunteers to deliver safe, inclusive, and accountable services.

Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA)

Strengthening of institutional capacity to deliver participatory and accountable humanitarian services was focused on. Training in CEA was provided, enhancing the capacity of staff and volunteers to implement feedback mechanisms and ensuring that humanitarian action remained responsive to community needs.

2.

Emergency Appeal Name	Middle East Complex Emergency | MENA
IFRC Emergency Appeal code	MDRS5002 (MDREG021)
People to be assisted	75,000 (inside Egypt); 700,000 (regional total)
Duration	40 months (18 October 2023 to 31 December 2027)
Funding requirements	Total funding requirement (Federation-wide): CHF 200 mil Total funding requirement (IFRC): CHF 185 mil Federation-wide funding requirement (Egypt): CHF 10 mil IFRC Secretariat funding requirement (Egypt): CHF 62.7 mil
Link to Revised Emergency Appeal	Middle East Crisis | MENA Revised Emergency Appeal
Latest Revised Operational Strategy	Operational Crisis: Middle East Crisis | MENA
Link to Latest Operations Update	Revised Emergency Appeal/Operational Strategy
Link to Response Plan	Egypt National Society Response Plan
Link to Operations Update	Operations update No. 6

The Middle East crisis has escalated significantly since October 2023, with devastating humanitarian impacts in Gaza and the West Bank. In view of the protracted nature of the Middle East crisis and its continuing humanitarian consequences across the region, the Middle East Complex Emergency Appeal has been extended until 31 December 2027. Nearly three years after its launch, humanitarian needs in Gaza remain severe, driven by ongoing displacement, extensive destruction of critical infrastructure, restrictions on humanitarian access, and sustained pressure on essential services, particularly healthcare. Although periods of reduced hostilities have provided temporary relief, needs remain immense and require sustained support. At the same time, conditions in the West Bank have continued to deteriorate, with increasing displacement, movement restrictions, protection concerns and reduced access to essential services.

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society has remained the primary coordinator and consignee for humanitarian aid entering Gaza through Egypt. Working closely with the Palestine Red Crescent Society, the IFRC, ICRC, UN agencies, governments and humanitarian organizations, the National Society has been managing the reception, storage and dispatch of aid through hubs in Al-Arish, Ismailia and Cairo. During the January-March 2025 ceasefire, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society coordinated around 9,500 aid trucks and expanded its logistics capacity through bonded warehouses and storage facilities to accelerate aid handling and reduce delays. Following the reopening of border crossings in July 2025, it resumed large-scale operations through the Zad el Ezza (Aid for Dignity) convoys, facilitating the delivery of more than 55,000 aid trucks carrying food, relief supplies, medical assistance and fuel, received from dozens of countries and humanitarian organizations.

In addition to logistics coordination, the National Society has been providing extensive humanitarian support to medical evacuees, accompanying family members and foreign nationals transiting through Egypt. Assistance includes shelter and household items, food assistance, healthcare, rehabilitation services, community health activities, mental health and psychosocial support, water, sanitation and hygiene services, education programmes for Palestinian children, Restoring Family Links (RFL) and community engagement initiatives. Despite continued challenges stemming from border restrictions, inspections, limited crossing capacity and high operational costs, the National Society maintains its humanitarian response while advocating for improved access and strengthening longer-term resilience for affected populations and host communities.

Short description of the emergency operational strategy

Through the revised Emergency Appeal, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society aims to support approximately 75,000 people in Egypt, primarily medical evacuees and stranded individuals affected by the Gaza crisis, with particular attention to vulnerable groups such as injured people, separated children, persons with disabilities, those with chronic illnesses, pregnant and lactating women, and people requiring transportation or emergency assistance. The response is centred around humanitarian service points established in affected areas, providing health and mental health services, first aid, referrals, water and sanitation support, shelter assistance, multipurpose cash assistance, transportation, Restoring Family Links (RFL) and psychosocial support. The operation also includes the establishment of clinics, distribution of essential relief items and support for temporary accommodation. Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA), together with Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) are integrated throughout the response to ensure assistance is accessible, responsive and tailored to the diverse needs of affected populations.

For the duration from 18 October 2023 to 31 May 2026, the following support was provided by the Egyptian Red Crescent Society:

Shelter, housing and settlements

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society, in support of the Palestinian Red Crescent Society, helped the establishment of two camps and a field hospital in Khan Yunis/Gaza, during the early month of the crisis. The camps were designed to accommodate more than 10,000 individuals and were equipped with 24 latrines, four septic tanks, two generators and eight water tanks with bladders.

Food security and livelihoods

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society established the Humanitarian Kitchen in North Sinai to provide food assistance to Palestinians in Gaza, Palestinians residing in Egypt and vulnerable host communities. Despite disruptions caused by the closure of the Rafah crossing, it maintained kitchen operations and resumed bread deliveries when access partially reopened. In parallel, it facilitated the large-scale delivery of food assistance and infant formula into Gaza, helping address urgent food and nutrition needs throughout the crisis.

Multi-purpose cash

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society provided cash assistance to vulnerable Palestinian evacuees and families in Egypt, helping them meet immediate needs such as food, shelter and essential household items. It transitioned from cash-in-hand distributions to digital delivery mechanisms through financial service providers, improving the accessibility, security and effectiveness of its cash assistance programme.

Health and care

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society facilitated the delivery of medical supplies into Gaza and provided healthcare, rehabilitation, health awareness, mental health and psychosocial support services to Palestinians in Egypt, including medical evacuees, their families and vulnerable host communities. Support was also provided for medical evacuations and the transit of foreign nationals, while volunteer capacity and specialised healthcare services were strengthened.

Water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH)

Hygiene kits and bottles of water were distributed, and 35,800 hygiene promotion and WASH awareness sessions were delivered to Palestinian evacuees and host communities, helping to reduce public health risks and promote safe hygiene practices.

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society providing comprehensive assistance to Palestinian medical evacuees and their accompanying family members in Egypt (Photo: Egyptian Red Crescent Society)

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

Climate and environment

Progress by the National Society against objectives

In 2025, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society focused on building the foundations for long-term climate resilience programming in Egypt by strengthening its institutional capacities, conducting community-based risk assessments and developing locally owned climate adaptation solutions. A key achievement of 2025 was the strengthening of the National Society's technical capacity to assess climate risks and integrate nature-based solutions (NbS) into resilience programming.

The National Society staff and volunteers received enhanced Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment (eVCA) training for the first time in 2025. The training equipped participants with practical tools to analyze community vulnerabilities, identify local capacities and design participatory resilience interventions. Additional capacity-building activities focused on environmental sustainability and climate adaptation, further strengthening THE Egyptian Red Crescent Society's ability to support ecosystem-based resilience initiatives and environmental risk assessments.

The National Society also continued to work on the implementation of STREAM, a project aimed at strengthening community resilience to climate and environmental risks through the application of nature-based solutions (NbS) and community led-action. The project promotes sustainable environmental management and ecosystem-based adaptation through its 'Working with Nature' approach, supporting vulnerable communities to identify local risks and develop practical solutions that enhance resilience while improving livelihoods and environmental sustainability. The project is guided by the 'IFRC Road Map to Community Resilience' framework, ensuring a participatory and community-driven approach to identifying risks and designing solutions. Under the STREAM project, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society conducted a comprehensive community assessment in the selected target village of El-Shoqr in Beni Suef. The assessment combined surveys, field observations, transect walks and stakeholder consultations to develop a detailed understanding of local risks including climate risks, environmental challenges and community capacities. This process culminated the implementation of an enhanced Capacity and Vulnerability Assessment (eVCA), conducted through a six-day participatory workshop with community leaders and representatives. Using a range of participatory tools, community members identified priority challenges related to climate change, environmental degradation, waste management and water-related risks in addition to other socioeconomic challenges, while also highlighting existing community strengths and resources.

Based on the outcomes of the eVCA, the project identified a portfolio of nature-based solutions such as vermicomposting, mushroom cultivation, climate-resilient cropping, beekeeping, water hyacinth recycling and planting shade trees, alongside climate-smart livelihood opportunities tailored to the local environmental and socio-economic context. These proposed solutions were subsequently validated and supported by the findings of a complementary environmental assessment conducted by a specialized external agency. Biogas systems for renewable energy and organic waste management

To support the upcoming implementation of the Community Action Plan, the project conducted a series of community awareness and engagement sessions, introducing climate change concepts, environmentally sustainable practices as well as the proposed nature-based solutions to community members.

As part of the global Heat Action Day initiative, the National Society conducted targeted heatwave awareness sessions in Beni Suef and Greater Cairo, reaching community members, migrants, refugees and their children, as well as its volunteers. These sessions focused on raising awareness about the health risks associated with extreme heat and promoting simple, practical measures to reduce vulnerability to heat-related hazards.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Egyptian Red Crescent Society with both financial and technical assistance for National Society objectives under climate and environment. It provided assistance in conducting a training for the National

Society staff and volunteers in enhanced Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment (eVCA). This training was facilitated by the **Lebanese Red Cross**.

The **Netherlands Red Cross** provided support to the National Society in the implementation of the STREAM project aimed at strengthening community resilience to climate and environmental risks.

Disasters and crises

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In 2025, the IFRC Disaster Response Emergency Fund (IFRC-DREF) was approved for a flood emergency.

Name of Operation	Egypt Flood 2025
MDR-Code	MDREG002
People Targeted	6,000
Duration	8 months (06 October 2025 to 30 June 2026)
Funding Allocation	CHF 500,000
DREF Operation Update	Operations Update No. 2

The IFRC-DREF allocation of CHF 500,000 in October 2025 supported the Egyptian Red Crescent Society in assisting about 6,000 people affected by floods that broke out in the area of Al Minufiyah (Menoufia). The National Society supported the targeted people over a period of eight months with assistance such as shelter, multipurpose cash assistance, health and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) interventions, among others.

Progress by the National Society against objectives

During the reporting year, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society continued to respond to the Nile River flood. It carefully observed the evolution of the situation and expanded its operational footprint beyond the initially affected areas to respond to newly identified needs. The National Society also focused its support on national preparedness measures implemented by the Government of Egypt. Among other interventions, the National Society delivered essential relief assistance to affected households through the distribution of emergency household items and hygiene kits, enabling families to meet immediate needs while reducing public health risks associated with flooding. Hygiene assistance exceeded the planned target, reflecting the Egyptian Red Crescent Society's ability to scale up distributions where additional needs were identified.

Cash assistance formed an important component of the National Society's interventions in 2025. It provided vulnerable households with flexible support to prioritize their most urgent recovery needs. Through the provision of multipurpose cash assistance, it sought to strengthen household dignity and choice while contributing to early recovery efforts.

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society also responded to disasters through health interventions focused on maintaining access to essential primary healthcare. Mobile health teams and volunteers delivered consultations, health promotion activities and community-based disease prevention messaging. Mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) services were also integrated into the National Society's flood response to address the emotional and psychological impacts experienced by affected populations.

The National Society made a concerted effort to strengthen its preparedness and response capacity for future flood emergencies. Volunteers received specialized flood response training and were equipped with personal protective equipment and flood response gear to improve operational readiness. Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) remained a cross-cutting priority throughout the Egyptian Red Crescent Society's flood response, ensuring that affected communities received timely information and had access to feedback and complaint mechanisms to inform service delivery.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the National Society through its mechanisms such as the Disaster Response Emergency Fund (IFRC-DREF) and Emergency Appeal.

Health and wellbeing

Progress by the National Society against objectives

For the period from January to December 2025, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society implemented a comprehensive set of health interventions to improve access to medical services and strengthen infection prevention and control, especially for displaced persons as well as host communities. A total of 258 medical examinations were provided through medical convoys. Additionally, community health awareness campaigns, including healthy nutrition, were conducted. The National Society conducted a set of health-focused capacity-building activities for its volunteers, such as training sessions in health assessment, medical response team capacity-building and Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) and malnutrition screening.

To enhance its infection prevention practices, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society focused on training its medical and non-medical staff in infection control standards. This training aimed to increase compliance with hand hygiene and other infection prevention measures, supported by the distribution of educational posters.

Mental health and psychosocial support services were prioritized through the provision of psychological assessments, phone-based counselling sessions, specialized psychological sessions, Psychological First Aid and child-focused interventions. The Egyptian Red Crescent Society conducted multiple capacity-building activities to strengthen psychosocial support services, including training sessions and workshops, as well as a Psychosocial Support Leaders' Camp, focusing on Mental Health and Psychosocial Support in emergencies, including crisis management and Psychological First Aid.

The National Society continued to address urgent water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) needs through infrastructure rehabilitation and awareness activities. In North Sinai, the efficiency of Sheikh Zuweid Hospital was enhanced through rehabilitation works, contributing to improved health and sanitation conditions. In addition, basic maintenance works were completed in four schools in Arish, improving water and sanitation facilities. Basic WASH repairs were also carried out wherever necessary. To expand water access, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society completed the construction of a groundwater well at the Aatif El-Sadat Health Unit in North Sinai and installed dual water supply networks connected to storage tanks. In North Sinai, basic maintenance kits were distributed to local authorities, hygiene awareness sessions on personal hygiene were conducted and personal hygiene kits were distributed to school students, helping to promote and reinforce proper hygiene practices among children and youth. Additionally, the National Society conducted two training sessions to strengthen capacity-building for its volunteers, focusing on basic maintenance and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH).

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supported the Egyptian Red Crescent Society technically and financially in its interventions focused on health and wellbeing.

Migration and displacement

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society played a leading role in supporting vulnerable migrants, refugees and displaced populations in Egypt through partnerships that enabled the delivery of comprehensive and integrated services addressing protection, well-being and inclusion needs. The National Society focused on empowering vulnerable migrant children and women by facilitating safe and dignified access to education and health services and supporting the integration of migrant-related issues into national education and health policies. It provided medical services, conducted health awareness sessions, implemented psychosocial support sessions and delivered gender-based

violence awareness sessions for community school students. In response to the urgent needs of Palestinians arriving from Syria, the National Society implemented a specialized healthcare project that provided medical consultations, medication distribution, laboratory tests, radiological examinations, surgeries, dialysis sessions, hospital admissions, dental services and emergency medical interventions.

The National Society strengthened health awareness among Syrian and Sudanese families through sessions delivered by Community Health Workers covering reproductive health, newborn care, personal hygiene and dental health. The National Society also conducted health awareness and positive parenting training sessions for community health leaders. It supported Sudanese refugee kidney transplant patients through the provision of post-transplant medications, ultrasound examinations and laboratory tests to facilitate continuous medical follow-up. It further provided psychological awareness sessions for beneficiaries and community leaders and implemented psychosocial support activities for Sudanese children.

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society implemented protection activities that identified and supported vulnerable groups facing discrimination, inequality or violations of their rights. It distributed dignity kits to survivors of gender-based violence, conducted gender-based violence health awareness sessions, organized group therapy sessions for newly arrived Sudanese survivors of gender-based violence and referred cases to specialized organizations for legal aid, economic empowerment and livelihood assistance. It distributed hygiene kits, dignity kits, water bottles, food parcels and biscuits to vulnerable migrants and refugees to address urgent humanitarian needs. The National Society provided multi-purpose cash assistance to Sudanese and Palestinian evacuees to help meet essential needs with dignity and flexibility.

Additionally, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society provided educational services for children through the Health and Safety Programme, delivering first aid, life skills and emergency preparedness training alongside educational and recreational activities for Palestinian displaced children. The National Society distributed Happiness Kits and School Kits to Palestinian children. During the second half of the year, it developed and relaunched the programme as the Junior Rescuer initiative, which continued to provide educational services to migrant and refugee children. During the reporting period, the National Society strengthened its migration and protection programming through the Pathways to Protection initiative. It strengthened protection and referral mechanisms, improved access to essential services, enhanced community engagement, reinforced the capacities of staff and volunteers, contributed to a more coordinated response along the Sudan-Egypt migration route and supported people on the move to make informed decisions.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC supports the National Society in its efforts under migration and displacement, which includes components such as provision of essential services to vulnerable migrants, conducting advocacy to highlight the plight of migrants in the country, supporting the National Society in enhancing the capacity of staff and volunteers, and a range of other activities aimed that ensuring that migrants' needs are taken care of.

Values, power and inclusion

Progress by the National Society against objectives

Throughout 2025, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society continued to integrate Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) across its humanitarian response, ensuring equitable access to assistance while promoting protection, dignity, inclusion and psychosocial well-being for vulnerable populations, particularly women, children, migrants and survivors of gender-based violence (GBV).

The National Society strengthened access to quality primary healthcare services by providing free medical consultations across multiple specialties, including internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, ophthalmology, orthopedics and dermatology. Communities also received free laboratory testing and essential medicines, reducing financial barriers to healthcare for vulnerable communities. Additionally, community-based awareness sessions were delivered on key health issues and information materials were distributed among them to improve knowledge of disease prevention, health practices, and available services.

Recognizing the heightened protection risks faced by children and women, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society implemented school-based health and psychosocial awareness activities that addressed bullying prevention, stress management, emotional well-being, personal safety and gender-based violence prevention. These interventions were complemented by the distribution of school kits to children attending community schools and those living in host communities, helping to promote safe and inclusive learning environments.

To ensure continuity of care, the National Society maintained referral mechanisms linking vulnerable individuals with specialized health, psychosocial and protection services that were beyond its operational capacity. Mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) remained a key priority throughout the year. The Egyptian Red Crescent Society delivered individual and group psychosocial support sessions, psychological counselling and resilience-building activities, while complex cases requiring specialized psychiatric care were referred to appropriate service providers. Women and girls at heightened risk also received dignity kits and personal hygiene kits to support their health, protection and dignity.

Additionally, the National Society continued to strengthen institutional capacity by training healthcare professionals in survivor-centred approaches to gender-based violence case management and enhancing the competencies of volunteers and migrant community leaders in Psychological First Aid (PFA) and basic psychosocial support.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided support to the Egyptian Red Crescent Society in mainstreaming Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) across its operations.

ENABLING LOCAL ACTORS

Strategic and operational coordination

IFRC membership coordination

IFRC membership coordination involves working with National Societies to assess the humanitarian context, agree on common priorities and jointly develop common strategies. This includes addressing issues such as obtaining greater humanitarian acceptance and access, mobilizing funding and other resources, clarifying consistent public messaging, and monitoring progress. It also entails ensuring that strategies and programmes in support of people in need incorporate clarity of humanitarian action while linking with development assistance and contribute to reinforcing National Societies in their respective countries, including through their auxiliary role.

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The Egyptian Red Crescent Society, the **Jordan National Red Crescent Society** and the **Iraqi Red Crescent Society** met in 2021 to discuss common challenges and areas of collaboration, in parallel to a similar meeting between the governments of the three countries. This culminated in a tripartite agreement between the respective National Societies, focusing on peer exchange in disaster management, health, National Society development and volunteering capacity building.

Movement coordination

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society ensures regular exchanges with the IFRC, the International Committee of the Red Cross and participating National Societies, for the alignment of support and action between Movement partners. In times of emergencies, closer coordination is organized. This is carried out in line with the Strengthening Movement Coordination and Cooperation (SMCC) principles, and the newly adopted Seville Agreement 2.0.

The ICRC works to promote and ensure respect for international humanitarian law and facilitates ICRC operations through dialogue with the government, multilateral organizations, civil society, and diplomatic officials. It helps reestablish contact between family members separated by conflict, other situations of violence, and migration, and works closely with the Egyptian Red Crescent and other partner organizations.

External coordination

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society is actively engaged in coordinating with government agencies and international organizations to address various challenges. It collaborates closely with the Ministry of Social Solidarity and the Ministry of Health and Population and is represented in national working groups for crisis management, disaster risk reduction, volunteering and mental health. At the national level, the National Society is a member of the Prime Minister's Cabinet Crisis Management Committee.

Locally, the National Society branches participate in similar committees at the governorate level. The organization has formed partnerships with academic institutions, including Ain Shams and AL Galala Universities, and has established strong relationships with non-Movement partners like UNICEF, UNHCR, UNRWA, IOM, WHO, EU, SDC and embassies.

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society also works in tandem with local NGOs and international NGOs residing in the country.

National Society development

Progress by the National Society against objectives

Throughout 2025, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society focused on institutional development and organizational transformation in line with its priorities. Progress was made in advancing the renewed IFRC financing architecture, creating opportunities to enhance resource mobilization and strengthen the financial sustainability. The Egyptian Red Crescent Society also prioritized building capacities of its staff and volunteers in newly introduced digital platforms, including the Digital Volunteer Management System and the eLearning platform, improving organizational efficiency and readiness for future operations.

As part of efforts to strengthen operational excellence, the National Society promoted the implementation of the Information Security (InfoSec) Policy through awareness-raising and staff training, supporting organization-wide compliance with information security standards. Institutional capacity was further reinforced through technical support to enhance logistics and warehouse management systems, including technical assessments of warehouse facilities, the development of standardized layouts and operational procedures and the introduction of guidance on warehouse safety, maintenance and humanitarian logistics standards.

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society also strengthened its engagement within the IFRC network through active participation in regional and global thematic platforms, including the Youth, Disaster Management Advisory Group (DMAG), Migration and Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) networks, facilitating knowledge exchange and peer learning.

At the community level, it continued to invest in youth leadership by supporting the Power of Volunteers programme and other grassroots innovation initiatives led by young volunteers.

The National Society further promoted the meaningful engagement of young people from diverse backgrounds in leadership and decision-making processes, fostering greater inclusion, representation, and duty of care across its programmes and governance structures.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided support to the Egyptian Red Crescent Society in institutional development and organizational transformation.

Humanitarian diplomacy

Progress by the National Society against objectives

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society significantly strengthened its humanitarian diplomacy efforts, reinforcing its role as a trusted humanitarian actor and a key auxiliary to the Egyptian authorities. It actively engaged with foreign delegations, UN agencies, diplomatic missions and international humanitarian organizations, facilitating numerous high-level visits and strategic engagements that showcased its work. The National Society also hosted a high-level visit by the IFRC President in March 2025, during which engagements with authorities were organized as well as a closed-door engagement with embassies.

Throughout the year, the National Society played a critical role in highlighting key humanitarian needs and challenges, particularly in relation to the Gaza crisis and the Sudan displacement response. By engaging with national and international partners, it advocated safe and unimpeded humanitarian access, the protection of affected populations and respect for the Fundamental Principles of neutrality, independence, impartiality and humanity.

Through its humanitarian logistics hubs, operational expertise and strong partnerships, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society further enhanced Egypt's position as a regional humanitarian hub and demonstrated the value of coordinated humanitarian action in addressing complex regional crises. It also provided a written contribution to member state negotiations ahead of high-level event on the crisis in Gaza in New York.

As part of ongoing efforts to strengthen humanitarian diplomacy capacities, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society hosted a mission by the IFRC MENA Humanitarian Diplomacy Advisor, which supported the development of a country humanitarian diplomacy briefing note and facilitated engagement with regional UN counterparts. These efforts contributed to strengthening strategic partnerships and enhancing dialogue on key humanitarian issues affecting Egypt and the region. Additionally, the National Society developed communications materials and human-interest stories highlighting its humanitarian operations and response to regional crises, helping to increase the visibility of humanitarian needs and its role in addressing them.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC signed a Legal Status Agreement (LSA) in February 2025 thus strengthening its operational presence in Egypt and enhancing support to the Egyptian Red Crescent Society. It supported the National Society in providing a written contribution to member state negotiations ahead of high-level event on the crisis in Gaza in New York. Additionally, by organizing a mission of the IFRC MENA Communications Officer, the IFRC supported the Egyptian Red Crescent Society in the development of communications materials and human-interest stories highlighting its humanitarian operations and response to regional crises and helping it increase its visibility.

Accountability and agility (cross-cutting)

Progress by the National Society against objectives

During the reporting period, the Egyptian Red Crescent Society integrated accountability to affected communities across programme implementation to ensure that interventions remained people-centred, responsive and adapted to the evolving needs of refugees and migrants. The National Society strengthened Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) mechanisms to promote meaningful participation, transparency and continuous learning, enabling programmes to be informed by the perspectives of the people they served.

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society conducted regular needs assessments to identify emerging priorities, vulnerabilities and service gaps among refugee and migrant communities. It systematically analysed assessment findings and used the results to inform programme planning, implementation and adaptation, ensuring that interventions remained relevant and responsive to changing contexts.

The Egyptian Red Crescent Society actively engaged community leaders throughout programme implementation. Community leaders contributed local knowledge, facilitated communication with communities and supported programme planning and delivery. The National Society engaged community volunteers in outreach and programme

implementation, strengthening access to communities, building trust and promoting community participation. It also delivered capacity-strengthening initiatives for community leaders and volunteers, focusing on community engagement, programme implementation, communication and accountability to enhance local capacity for quality service delivery. The Egyptian Red Crescent Society maintained structured feedback mechanisms throughout the reporting period to ensure that community perspectives informed programme implementation.

Additionally, in 2025, the National Society also made efforts to advance digital transformation by introducing digital platforms such as the Digital Volunteer Management System and the eLearning platform, improving organizational efficiency and readiness for future operations.

IFRC network joint support

The IFRC provided technical support to the National Society in strengthening and expanding Community Engagement and Accountability (CEA) across its operations and interventions. It also provided support in furthering digital transformation.

Q4. AFFECTED PERSONS (PEOPLE REACHED)

See cover pages

Q5. PARTICIPATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR AFFECTED PEOPLE – COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY

See Strategic Priority on 'Values, power and inclusion' under Q3: MEASURING RESULTS OF THE IFRC NETWORK ACTION

Q6. RISK MANAGEMENT

This information is not available in Annual Reports

Q7. EXIT STRATEGY AND SUSTAINABILITY

See Strategic Priorities or Enabling Local Actors, where relevant under Q3: MEASURING RESULTS OF THE IFRC NETWORK ACTION

Q8. LESSONS LEARNED

Nothing to report

ANNEX 1. IFRC APPLICATION OF THE 8+3 REPORTING TEMPLATE

The IFRC network structures its result-based management along five Strategic priorities and four Enabling functions, developed based on the IFRC network's Strategy 2030:

IFRC network Strategic Priorities	IFRC network Enabling Functions
SP 1 - Climate and environment	EF 1- Strategic and operational coordination
SP 2 - Disasters and crises	EF 2 - National Society development
SP 3 - Health and wellbeing	EF 3 - Humanitarian diplomacy
SP 4 - Migration and displacement	EF 4 - Accountability and agility
SP 5 - Values, power and inclusion	

The Federation-wide results matrix provides a standard way for the IFRC network to measure its progress towards Strategy 2030 implementation and supports consistent quality of the IFRC network planning, monitoring and reporting. To further advance coherence in monitoring across the IFRC network, a Federation-wide Indicator Bank has been developed and integrated into the Federation-wide monitoring systems for emergencies and longer-term work, structured along the Federation-wide results matrix as well. Signatory of the Grand Bargain Agreement, the IFRC has committed to its monitoring and reporting standards through integration of the 8+3 reporting template contents into its results-based management approach. The following mapping demonstrate the way in which this report aligns with 8+3 reporting:

8+3 template	IFRC network Annual Report (with variance in structure in red)
Core Questions	
1. Overall Performance	Overall Performance
2. Changes and Amendments	Changes and amendments
3. Measuring Results	Measuring Results
4. Affected Persons	Cover pages with indicators values
5. Participation & AAP	Under Q3 Strategic Priority 5: Values, power and inclusion – Community Engagement and Accountability
6. Risk management	Risk management
7. Exit Strategy and Sustainability	Under Q3 sub-sections by Strategic Priority/Enabling Function where relevant
8. Lessons Learned	Lessons learned
Additional Questions	
1. Value for Money/ Cost Effectiveness	Not included in annual reports
2. Visibility	Not included in annual reports
3. Coordination	Under Q3 Enabling Function 1: Strategic and operational coordination
4. Implementing Partners	Cross-cutting, with a focus on support to localization through the Q3 Enabling Functions 1 to 4
5. Activities or Steps Towards implementation	Cross-cutting in Q3 Strategic Priorities and Enabling Functions
6. Environment	Under Q3 Strategic Priority 1: Climate and environment

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DATA SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS

- **Timeframe and alignment:** The reporting timeframe for this overview is covering the period from 1 January to 31 December 2025. However, due to the diversity of the IFRC and differences in fiscal years, this coverage may not fully align for some National Societies.
- **Financial overview:** This overview consolidates data reported by the National Society and its IFRC network partners, as well as data extracted from IFRC's financial systems. All reported figures should include the administrative and operational costs of the different entities. The financial data with a grey background is solely reported by the National Society, including the funding sources. Financial reporting is often times estimated depending on availability of financial figures, closing of financial periods, and may be incomplete. 'Not reported' could sometimes mean 'not applicable'. Also note that funding requirements are already reflected in the published 2025 IFRC network country plan. The total funding requirements show what the IFRC network has sought to raise for the given year through different channels: funding through the IFRC, through participating National Societies as bilateral support, and through the host National Society from non-IFRC network sources. All figures should include the administrative and operational costs of the different entities.
  - Host National Society funding requirements not coming from IFRC network sources can comprise a variety of sources, as demonstrated when reporting on income in the IFRC Federation-wide Databank and Reporting System
  - Participating National Society funding requirements for bilateral support are those validated by respective headquarters, and often represent mainly secured funding
  - IFRC funding requirements comprise both what is sourced from the IFRC core budget and what is sought through emergency and thematic funding. This includes participating National Societies' multilateral support through IFRC, and all other IFRC sources of funding
- **Missing data and breakdowns:** National Societies have diverse data collection systems and processes that may not align with the standardized indicators. Data may not be available for some indicators, for some National Societies. This may lead to inconsistencies across different reporting tools as well as potential under or over-estimation of the efforts led by all.
- **Reporting bias:** The data informing this Federation-wide overview is self-reported by each National Society (or its designated support entity) which is the owner and gatekeeper, and responsible for accuracy and updating. IFRC tries to triangulate the data provided by the National Societies with previous data and other data in the public domain.
- **Definitions:**
  - **Local units:** ALL subdivisions of a National Society that coordinate and deliver services to people. These include ALL levels (provincial, state, city, district branches, sections or chapters, headquarters, and regional and intermediate offices, as well as community-based units)
  - **Branches:** A Branch has its roles, responsibilities and relationship with the National Headquarters defined through the National Society's Statutes, including the level of autonomy given, especially in the area of its legal status, mobilising local resources and building local partnerships, and the decisions it makes. It has a local-level decision-making mechanism through its Branch members, board and volunteers, equally defined through the National Society's Statutes

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- EG_Egypt AR Financials.pdf
- IFRC network country plans
- Subscribe for updates
- Live Disaster Response Emergency Fund (DREF) data
- Operational information: IFRC GO platform
- National Society data: IFRC Federation-wide Databank and Reporting System
- Evaluations database

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