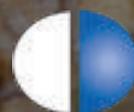


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A photograph of two women standing in a rural, outdoor setting. The woman on the left is wearing a colorful patterned headscarf, a purple and blue patterned long-sleeved shirt, a light blue sash, and a brown patterned skirt. She is smiling and holding a thick wooden pole. The woman on the right is wearing a pink patterned long-sleeved shirt and a green skirt. She is also smiling and holding a thick wooden pole. They are standing in front of a large pile of dry straw or hay. The background is slightly blurred, showing more of the rural environment.

**Together for
a better future**



Mission East
- values in action

Armenia

- ✓ Policy advocacy and support for introduction of a Universal System of Inclusive Education to benefit all children
- ✓ Public awareness-raising and advocacy for rights of people with disabilities
- ✓ Capacity building of Armenian civil society and authorities
- ✓ Facilitating Armenian diaspora engagement and expertise to support local communities
- ✓ Supporting populations most-at-risk of HIV/AIDS with preventive care, information and access to social and medical services

Afghanistan

- ✓ Emergency response and disaster risk reduction
- ✓ Water, sanitation and hygiene
- ✓ Food security
- ✓ Livelihood security
- ✓ Infrastructure rehabilitation
- ✓ Natural resource management
- ✓ Capacity building of local communities, civil society and government
- ✓ Inclusion of vulnerable groups, especially women

Tajikistan

- ✓ Construction of village water systems and latrines
- ✓ Provision of health and hygiene trainings
- ✓ Provision of rehabilitation therapy for children with disabilities
- ✓ Civil society-led advocacy on the rights of people with disabilities
- ✓ Promotion of inclusive DRR and WASH
- ✓ Capacity building of Tajik civil society

Syria

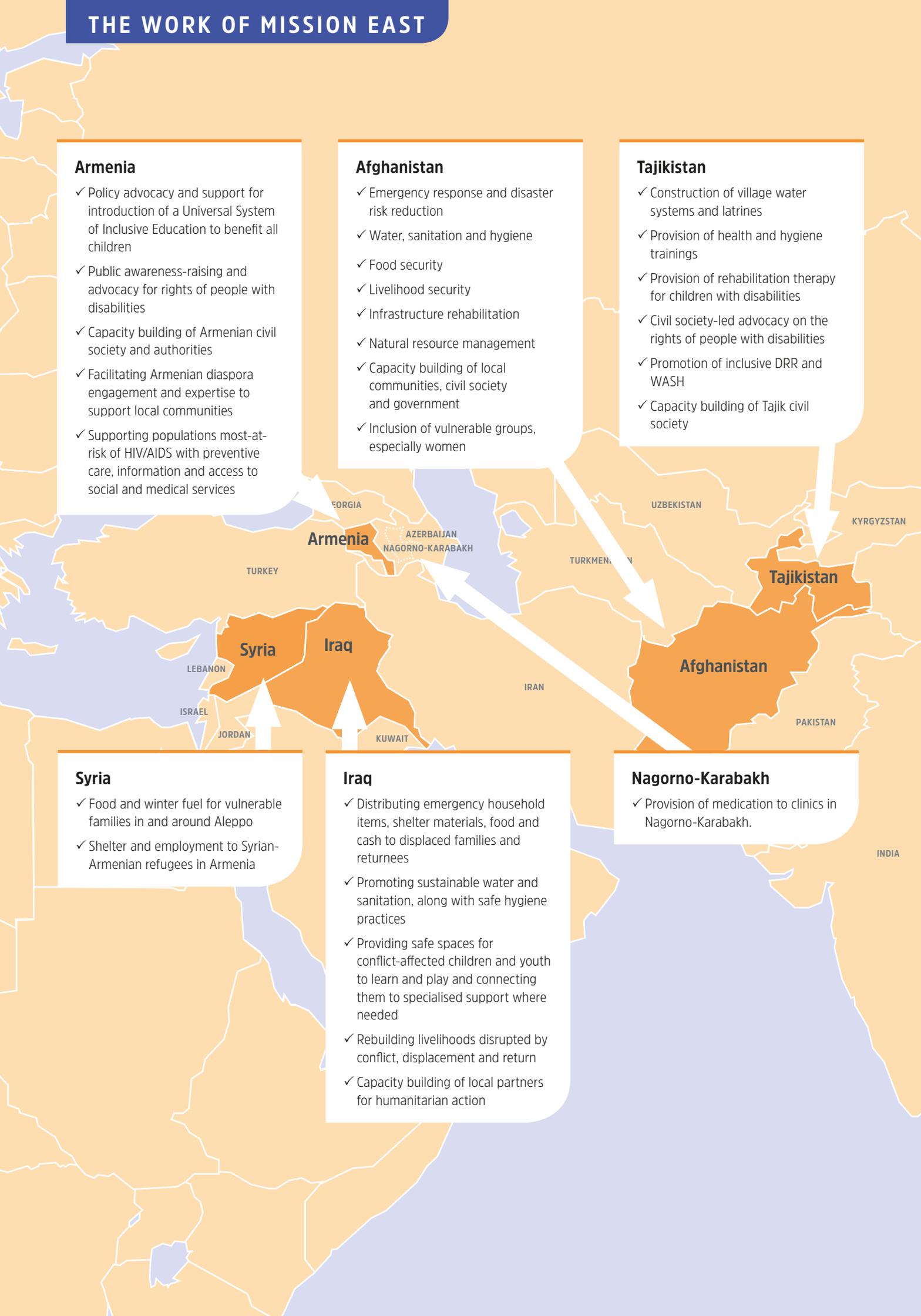
- ✓ Food and winter fuel for vulnerable families in and around Aleppo
- ✓ Shelter and employment to Syrian-Armenian refugees in Armenia

Iraq

- ✓ Distributing emergency household items, shelter materials, food and cash to displaced families and returnees
- ✓ Promoting sustainable water and sanitation, along with safe hygiene practices
- ✓ Providing safe spaces for conflict-affected children and youth to learn and play and connecting them to specialised support where needed
- ✓ Rebuilding livelihoods disrupted by conflict, displacement and return
- ✓ Capacity building of local partners for humanitarian action

Nagorno-Karabakh

- ✓ Provision of medication to clinics in Nagorno-Karabakh.





Nepal

- ✓ Literacy classes, rights awareness and income generation training for women
- ✓ Inclusive community disaster preparedness
- ✓ Improved sanitation via safe and accessible latrines for households and schools
- ✓ Repair of earthquake-damaged water supply systems
- ✓ Post-disaster support to livelihoods through seeds, livestock and training
- ✓ Provision of relief items to flood-affected communities
- ✓ Capacity building of civil society, local communities and government

North Korea

- ✓ Improving water and sanitation facilities and hygiene practices for rural communities and flood-affected households
- ✓ Support to agroforestry nurseries

North Korea

SOUTH KOREA

CHINA

Nepal

Bangladesh

Myanmar

LAOS

THAILAND

Bangladesh

- ✓ Support to coordination of relief efforts during Rohingya displacement crisis
- ✓ Community hygiene promotion to minimise spread of disease in refugee camps

Myanmar

- ✓ Demonstration farms to show new farming techniques
- ✓ Creating and training family farmer groups
- ✓ Information for communities on improving diet and nutrition
- ✓ Capacity building of local civil society

Mission East's approach to relief and development

Mission East is an international relief and development organisation founded in Denmark. We work to help vulnerable populations, supporting communities' capacities to organise and assist themselves, through activities ranging from disaster relief to development assistance.

Here is an overview of our main sectors and approaches:

What we do



Disaster Response



Rural Community Development

Our main sectors



Emergency relief



Food Security



Disaster Risk Reduction



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene



Livelihoods



Disability and inclusion

Our key approaches



Inclusion

Aiming to assist the most vulnerable, we try to ensure that no one is left behind on the basis of gender, disability or other discriminatory factors.

In our development programming we use a rights-based approach and seek attitude change to enable women's empowerment.



Resilience

Working to support durable improvement in lives and livelihoods, we try to link relief, recovery and development. Taking a context-specific approach to analysing and preparing for natural hazards, we work towards Disaster Risk Reduction. In climate-vulnerable locations we will try to integrate Climate Change Adaptation approaches into local development where possible.



Accountability and Partnership

Responding to community needs, we try to be accountable to those we help and those who fund our work.

We collaborate with other local and international partners and take a planned approach to capacity building of civil society.

The Board

Carsten Wredstrøm

Project and Quality Management Consultant. Chairman of the Mission East Board of Directors since 2010.

Ib Alstrup

Medicines Inspector. Deputy Chairman of the Mission East Board of Directors since 2015.

David Hermansen

Lawyer with specialisation in business law. Member of the Mission East Board of Directors since 2016.

Ib Nørholm

Private investor. Member of the Mission East Board of Directors since 2015. Previously member of the Board, 2003-2004.

Dietmar Roller

Development and Humanitarian Aid Specialist. Member of the Mission East Board of Directors since 2015.

The Management Team

Kim Hartzner

Managing Director, Copenhagen. Co-founder and responsible for leadership and strategic direction.

Vibeke Hauge Førrisdahl

Director of the Copenhagen Office. Joined Mission East in 2012. Responsible for administration, communication and fundraising.

Peter Drummond Smith

Operations Director, Brussels. Joined Mission East in 1997. Responsible for relief and development programming.

Nazik Avagyan

Finance Director, Brussels. Joined Mission East in 2007. Responsible for Mission East's overall finances.

Richard Peppiette

Support Manager, Brussels. Joined Mission East in 2000. Responsible for IT systems.

Joël De Vos

Human Resources Director, Brussels. Joined Mission East in 2013. Responsible for Human Resources in Mission East.

Jana Goepel

Office Manager, Berlin. Joined Mission East in 2017. Responsible for fundraising and donor contact in Germany.

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Women taking a break from their demanding work to smile at the photographer in the village Kachche, Karnali in western Nepal.
Photo: Susanne Madsen

In this report, the names of persons below the age of 18 have been changed to protect their identity.



Mission East
- values in action



In Iraq, Mission East supports the resilience of young people by offering them a safe place to play and learn. Photo: Michael Schmidt

Doing our very best for the vulnerable

In 2017, Mission East responded rapidly to emergency situations, particularly in Iraq and Nepal. Meanwhile, our development work continues to change the lives of thousands of people living in poverty and marginalisation. We also achieved a major stamp of approval for the quality of our work - we were certified as compliant with the Core Humanitarian Standard.

During 2017, Mission East expanded our programme in Iraq, reaching out to a population impacted by three years of conflict. We continued to provide psychosocial support for children and youth and support people rebuilding their livelihoods, while at the same time responding to urgent situations. Mission East's delivery of food to desperate families trapped in war-torn Mosul was a lifeline for thousands of people.

RAPID AND FLEXIBLE RESPONSE

It is difficult to predict when and where the next emergency will occur. To maintain our flexibility in such situations, Mission East has set up a disaster fund to enable rapid response to natural and man-made disasters.

In 2017 we used the disaster fund to respond to a number of emergencies either directly or through local or international partners. Our work brought food to thousands in Mosul; provided shelter for flood-affected families in Nepal; protected Rohingya refugees in overcrowded camps from life-threatening diseases, and delivered clean water for remote communities in Afghanistan and flood-stricken villages in North Korea.

SUPPORTING PEOPLE TO DRIVE CHANGE

Mission East's development programmes continue to build capacities of vulnerable or marginalised people across many countries. An example of

our success was provided in the context of the first local elections to be held in Nepal for 20 years. 14 women who had participated in Mission East projects for women's literacy and empowerment were elected to local councils, showing that traditional gender norms can be changed.

In Armenia and Tajikistan, we continue to work to ensure that children with disabilities have opportunities to participate in education and community life, and in the remote Chin State in Myanmar we build the capacities of our dedicated partners to reduce hunger among the isolated Mara people.

LEADING IN THE QUALITY OF AID

In 2017 Mission East was among the first organisations to achieve Core Humanitarian Standard certification. This is a major stamp of approval for our work, but it also carries with it a responsibility to continue to improve ourselves and live up to the Standard in the future. We believe that this will be an added incentive to do our very best to help some of the world's most vulnerable communities.



Carsten Wredström
Chairman of the Board



Kim Hartzner,
Managing Director



The energy to bring about change

Mission East strives to help the most vulnerable communities in the most remote locations. This brings a lot of challenges to our work. But year after year we still witness transformations in people's lives and can celebrate successes. These successes are only possible thanks to our team of committed, flexible and passionate individuals. Throughout the organisation, Mission East's staff members believe in what we do, which inspires them to give more than Mission East could ever expect of them. Beyond professional skills and competencies, working for Mission East requires humility, flexibility, selflessness, perseverance and a great deal of PASSION. I wish to thank all our staff members for their incredible investment in Mission East and in the people we work with.

Joël De Vos

Human Resources Director



"I have always been fascinated by the Middle East Region, particularly Iraq, for its culture, diversity and long history. Joining Mission East as a logistics advisor gave me the opportunity to travel in this country and work with diverse staff. Taking over the position of Area Manager for Kirkuk introduced me to new challenges including inter-ethnic tensions in the communities. Thanks to the whole team for their dedication and support!"

Cynthia Martins Simoes Area Manager Kirkuk, Iraq



"I have been working with Mission East for six years – and with pleasure! True to our mission, we reach the most remote corners of the world, serve people and communities that are less well-off and build their capacity for development. I enjoy the hands-on spirit of Mission East combined with our commitment to quality – last year marked by our CHS certification. To me, a new year means signing up anew to our principle of making the world a better place!"

Maryse Tanis Programme Manager for Tajikistan and Armenia



By Kendrah Jespersen Quality and Learning Manager



Preparation for a distribution of non-food items in Rajpur, southern Nepal after devastating flooding in August 2017. Photo: Janur Sunar, NNDWSO

Ensuring quality in everything we do

In 2017 Mission East achieved a formal acknowledgement of the quality of our work. We also shared our experiences with others on how to be inclusive of marginalised groups.

Mission East has always tried to carry out work of the highest quality. Because we care about the people we serve, we want to provide assistance that makes a real difference. But the difference we make does not just come from the results we achieve. The way we work is also important, including how we live out our values, and how we work in partnerships. We are constantly seeking ways to learn and to improve, and actively look for feedback from the communities we work with. Mission East uses a variety of quality and accountability standards to guide its operations including internal standards and guidelines as well as good practice from the aid sector at large. In 2017 we developed a Quality Commitment Framework to outline each of these commitments. We report against these commitments each year and regularly have external evaluations of our programmes.

A LEAP FORWARD ON QUALITY STANDARDS

In 2017, the formal acknowledgment of our quality took another leap forward. Mission East was among the first agencies worldwide to be certified compliant with the new Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS)



This is a significant achievement, and a recognition that the communities we serve are at the centre of everything we do.



PROMOTING INCLUSION

In 2017, the joint publication 'Towards Inclusion' was launched. It was the result of Mission East experience in building up tools and approaches to ensure that women, people with disabilities and other marginalised groups are not left

behind in the work we do. 'Towards Inclusion' was published in collaboration with Light for the World and ICCO Cooperation, and has been shared with many other organisations to help humanitarian aid and development become even more inclusive.

Mission East is certified compliant with the Core Humanitarian Standard and adheres to other standards listed in our Quality Commitment Framework.

Mission East is a member of Integral, CONCORD, NGO Voice, CHS Alliance, ISOBRO, EU-CORD, and Global Focus.

Mission East supports the UN Sustainable Development Goals!

In 2015 world leaders agreed 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) which aim to end poverty, fight inequalities and tackle climate change by 2030. The SDGs also aim to “leave no one behind” in the process – something that is core to Mission East’s work as we seek out the most vulnerable people and include those who are marginalised. Here are some examples of the way Mission East contributes towards achieving the SDGs especially in our development work:



In Myanmar, Mission East works with partners to help small-scale farmers improve their agricultural practices to ensure better harvests and have food available year-round.

In Nepal, our work helping women learn to read and write in remote mountain areas has enabled them to take action against discrimination within their communities.

In Tajikistan, Mission East’s work enables children with disabilities to access vital rehabilitation services, and lay claim to their rights.

Finances 2017



By Nazik Avagyan Finance Director

The annual accounts of Mission East for the fiscal year 2017 show a result of 734,912 DKK. Although the total income of this fiscal year did not keep pace with the annual turnover of the previous fiscal year, the increase of Mission East's financial results nevertheless demonstrates solid progress in strengthening its financial foundation.

We have continued actively responding to ongoing humanitarian crises in the Middle East and Asia, while also dedicating our efforts to strengthening the organisation from within, improving beneficiary accountability and tightening our identity. As a result, in July 2017 we achieved certification against the Core Humanitarian Standard on Quality and Accountability (CHS).

Mission East turnover from private sources was lower in 2017 as compared to the previous fiscal year, however it remained significant at 29%. Public income remained relatively consistent and diversified, with contributions from 5 main sources, of which 17% of funds came from the US Department of State and 13% from the German State. The Danish state remained the main source of public funding for Mission East.

PROGRAMME SPENDING IN 2017

Compared to 2016, programme expenses increased in 2017, with an increase in spending in our humanitarian responses in Iraq and Afghanistan, as well as in our long-term development programmes in Myanmar and Nepal.

Less programme funds were spent in Tajikistan and Armenia than in 2016, but this was countered by a new intervention in response to the Rohingya refugee crisis in Bangladesh, in partnership with an Integral Alliance member.

The highest ratio (48%) of Mission East's programme spending this fiscal year took place in Iraq to sustain our ongoing programme assisting conflict-affected populations through the provision of emergency relief items, including hygiene kits, shelter materials, kerosene and cash, and also psychosocial support for children and youth.

As part of Mission East's strategy for ongoing consolidation and growth of activities, more staff were hired in Mission East headquarters in 2017.

All the results achieved by Mission East derive from the trust, faithfulness and generosity of our many private and public supporters. Thanks to you we are able to grow and continue our mission of making a positive contribution to the lives of those facing disaster, hardship and exclusion in the countries where we work.

The information presented here is a summary of the information contained in the accounts of Mission East. This summary may not contain sufficient information to allow a full understanding of the financial affairs of Mission East. For further information, the full accounts should be consulted. Copies can be obtained from Mission East's registered head office.

Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2017

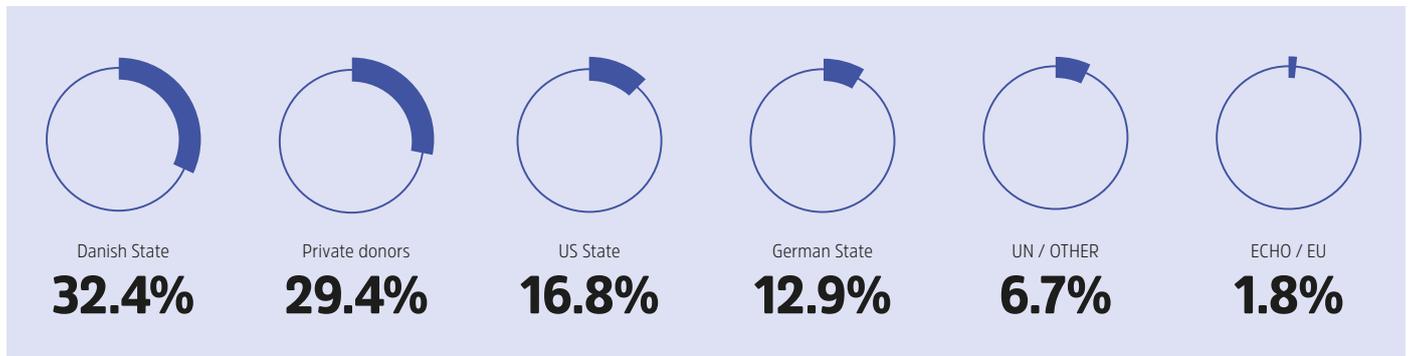
Statement of financial activity

Profit and Loss Statement	2017	2016
	DKK	DKK 000
Income		
Private donations	10,699,938	13,945
Private grants	14,022,471	18,505
Public grant payments	59,246,991	62,981
Accrued grant income	9,957,065	12,291
Total income	<u>93,926,465</u>	<u>107,722</u>
Expenditure		
Privately financed projects	23,743,657	29,397
Public grants expenditure	66,417,213	44,668
Accrued grant expenses	-3,917,403	26,694
Head office staff	3,495,511	2,897
Public relations	626,036	1,092
Administration, travel, premises	1,820,880	2,381
Total Expenditure	<u>92,185,894</u>	<u>107,129</u>
Operating contribution	<u>1,740,571</u>	<u>593</u>
Depreciation and financing costs	-1,005,659	-107
Retained income	<u>734,912</u>	<u>486</u>
Funds at 1 January	<u>2,452,022</u>	<u>1,966</u>
Funds at 31 December	<u>3,186,934</u>	<u>2,452</u>

Balance sheet at 31 December 2017	2017	2016
	DKK	DKK 000
Assets		
Fixed assets	125,340	112
Liquid funds	6,129,095	19,109
Debtors	76,891,194	67,046
Total assets	<u>83,145,629</u>	<u>86,267</u>
Liabilities		
Project commitments	77,052,118	80,970
Other payables	2,906,577	2,845
Mission East equity	3,186,934	2,452
Total liabilities	<u>83,145,629</u>	<u>86,267</u>

The annual accounts were approved by the auditor, Revisionsfirmaet Christian Danielsen ApS without reservation on March 27th 2018. The accounts were presented to the Annual General Assembly of Mission East and were approved by the Board of Mission East. The accounts will be delivered to the Danish tax authorities.

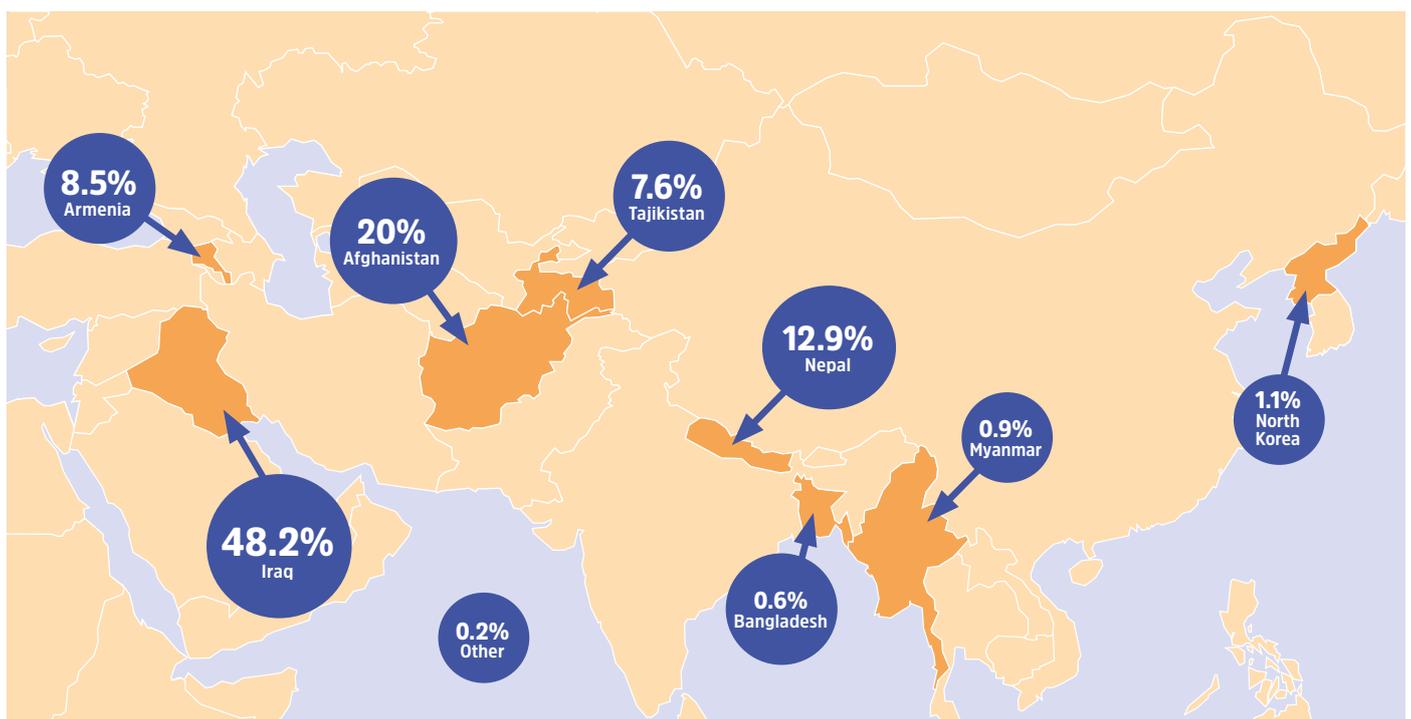
Where did the money come from?



What was the money spent on?



Where did the money go?



By **Anders Andersen** HQ Programme Manager for Iraq



When the population of Mosul – such as these two children – desperately needed food in the summer of 2017, Mission East distributed emergency food kits to 3,865 families in and around the city. Photo: Michael Schmidt

Helping Iraqis cope with displacement and return

Although the war with the Islamic State came to an end in 2017, numerous inter-ethnic and political tensions remain. Humanitarian needs remain widespread in Iraq, where more than 2.5 million people are still displaced and many face severe challenges to returning home. Mission East continues to respond to the urgent needs of families in protracted displacement while assisting a growing number of returnees.



FACTS

Mission East started its current operation in Iraq in 2014, and worked there previously in 2003-2006.

Head office: Erbil

Provincial offices: Dohuk, Kirkuk, Sinuni, and Mosul

Number of staff: 87

Country Director: Edward Santiago

Local partners:

Humanity NGO, Engineering Association for Development and Environment (EADE)

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ Over 3,000 conflict-affected children and youth have received psychosocial services to support their well-being.
- ✓ More than 6,300 displaced families have received hygiene kits to support their health and dignity, while benefiting from improved hygiene awareness.
- ✓ 6,414 displaced families have been assisted with winter shelter improvements through grants of material and cash.
- ✓ 3,865 displaced, host and returnee families in and around Mosul have been supported with emergency food kits.
- ✓ 2,645 displaced families in camps were able to cope with extreme summer heat after receiving air coolers.
- ✓ Mission East developed a new partnership with the local organisation Engineering Association for Development and Environment (EADE) to support programming in Mosul.

- ✓ A new Mission East office has opened in Mosul to provide better access and address the needs of conflict-affected families in the city.

THE FUTURE

Mission East will continue to help people displaced by the crisis and affected by ongoing conflict, with a focus on helping returnees with home rehabilitation and restarting livelihoods in their places of origin. As well as working in our current areas around Mosul and Sinjar, the Iraq programme is launching a new initiative for returnees in war-ravaged Hawija District. This area, liberated from ISIS control in October 2017, is the place of origin of approximately 100,000 people currently displaced in Kirkuk camps, where they have been served by Mission East emergency response activities in recent years.



Iraq projects

Humanitarian assistance to displaced populations in Ninewa, Dohuk and Kirkuk Governorates of Iraq through relief

Donors German Ministry of Foreign Affairs, A21, Y's Men
Duration February 2016 - December 2017
Location Dohuk, Ninewa and Kirkuk Governorates
Aim To give support to the basic needs, psychosocial recovery and stability of people displaced by the conflict in Iraq, contributing towards the achievement of the Humanitarian Response Plan for Iraq.
Outputs Over 64,000 people received hygiene supplies, more than 16,000 gained access to continued water supply, 540 gained access to sanitation facilities, over 119,000 received non-food household items, over 5,000 received support for improved shelters, over 2,500 children and youth benefited from psychosocial support and over 158 local staff of Mission East and partners improved their understanding of principled, high quality aid.
ME code IRQ-GMFA-003, IRQ-A21-001, IRQ-YSM-001
Donor code S05-21-321.50 IRQ 08/16

Standing Strong: Rebuilding livelihoods of displaced populations in Iraq

Donor US State Department Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (BPRM), via World Relief US
Duration September 2016 - September 2017
Location Ninewa and Kirkuk Governorates
Aim To support emergency livelihoods for internally displaced persons and promote a return to economic self-sufficiency for host community members and returnees.
Outputs More than 3,600 people directly benefit from livelihoods programming in war-ravaged Sinjar and Kirkuk. 100 new beekeepers are trained and equipped in apiary skills in Sinjar District. 50 damaged businesses receive grants to undertake shop rehabilitation.
ME code IRQ-BPRM-002
Donor code S-PRMCO-16-CA-1197

Contribution to Mosul emergency response

Donor World Relief US
Duration January 2017 - September 2017
Location Mosul, Ninewa Governorate
Aim Address the emergency food needs of conflict-affected households in Mosul City.
Outputs 285 emergency food packages distributed in West Mosul.
ME code IRQ-WR-006
Donor code WR-ME Grant agreement Addendum 7

Support to displaced and returnee populations in Ninewa and Kirkuk governorates of Iraq through shelter, protection and cash transfers

Donors German Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ole Kirk's Fond, Bygma Fonden, Jubilæumsfonden af 12.08.1973, Den Midtjyske Bladfond
Duration November 2017 - December 2018
Location Mosul (2017), Kirkuk (2018)
Aim To support the basic needs, psychosocial stabilisation and socio-economic recovery of displaced people and returnees, contributing towards the achievement of the Humanitarian Response Plan for Iraq.
Outputs Over 8,000 families helped with non-food items such as hygiene supplies and heaters; 180 returnee families helped with shelters improvements; 690 families helped with cash grants and 100 benefit from cash-for-work; 1,200 children and 400 youth participate in regular activities at community centres; 960 children and youth helped with special needs assistance; and local partner capacity built on good quality standards.
Partner EADE
ME code IRQ-GMFA-005
Donor code S09-21-321.50 IRQ 17/17

Create a better future – psychosocial support for children on the run in Iraq

Donor Erik Thunes Legat
Duration October 2017 - February 2018
Location Sinjar District, Ninewa Governorate
Aim The project aims to promote the psychological and social resilience of displaced children and young people affected by the conflict in Iraq.
Outputs 431 displaced children and youth participate in psychosocial programmes, and vocational and literacy training.
Partner Humanity NGO
ME code IRQ-ETL-002
Donor code 2017-0095

Contribution to Mosul emergency response

Donor Private Donors
Duration July 2017 - September 2017
Location Mosul, Ninewa Governorate
Aim Address the emergency food needs of conflict-affected households in Mosul City.
Outputs 4,734 highly vulnerable individuals reached with emergency food packages in Mosul.
ME code IRQ-FOOD-001

Iraq projects continued

Meeting basic needs and promoting psychosocial recovery in the Iraq spill-over of the Syria crisis

Donor	Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Duration	January 2016 - February 2017
Location	Ninewa, Dohuk and Kirkuk Governorates, Iraq
Aim	To address the critical and ongoing physical and psychosocial needs of vulnerable displaced families affected by the shocks of displacement and the lasting impact of the conflict with Islamic State.
Outputs	Over 1,600 households received critical relief items and food; 2,100 received hygiene items; 1,876 children and youth had a greater sense of stability and an opportunity to play and learn; 408 households gained access to clean water supply; and 1 local NGO grew in technical and organisational capacity for future action and change in Iraq.
Partner	Humanity NGO
ME code	IRQ-SHUM-003
Donor code	2015-52325

Addressing urgent non-food item needs in response to Mosul displacement

Donor	UNOCHA (Iraq Humanitarian Pooled Fund)
Duration	October 2016 - April 2017
Location	Ninewa Governorate
Aim	To mitigate the impact of conflict and insecurity by providing protection and humanitarian assistance to affected populations.
Outputs	950 internally displaced households in East Mosul and 165 returnee households in newly liberated areas receive basic non-food item kits. 3,295 internally displaced households in temporary housing inside East Mosul receive mobile non-food item kits (including hygiene kits). 804 kerosene heaters distributed to returnees in the newly retaken areas as single winterization non-food items. 397 gas stoves with extra bottles distributed to returnees in Shabak villages with limited access to kerosene. Provision of kerosene to 711 households in East Mosul returnee areas and Shabak villages.
ME code	IRQ-IHPF-002
Donor code	IRQ-16/3884/S/NFIs/INGO/3656

Meeting critical needs in the expanding IDP crisis in northern Iraq

Donor	Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Duration	December 2016 - November 2017
Location	Ninewa, Kirkuk and Dohuk Governorates
Aim	To address critical and ongoing physical needs and protection concerns of people affected by conflict-induced displacement in northern Iraq.
Outputs	Over 2,500 children and youth have access to safe recreation, learning and psychosocial support. 4,017 displaced people assisted with non-food items, shelter, food, and/or water needs.
Partner	Humanity NGO
ME code	IRQ-SHUM-005
Donor code	2016-48038

Identification of critical cases through follow-up on households benefiting from cash support for children's needs

Donor	UNICEF
Duration	July 2017 - November 2017
Location	Mosul, Ninewa Governorate
Aim	Provide continuous follow-up and support to households targeted by a pilot project supporting families with cash for children's needs. Identify and refer cases in the same families requiring protection or other specialised services.
Outputs	307 children and youth benefit from case management and other specialised child protection services.
ME code	IRQ-UNCF-003
Donor code	SSFA 2017/20

“When you see people in need, you understand how important our work is. Mission East has made a big difference in Mosul. No one else dared go there in the beginning. When I have children, I will tell them that I was helping people in Mosul.”

Rozh Ahmed Emergency Response Liaison Officer



By Alex Ramos-Peña HQ Programme Manager for Myanmar



Mr. Hlotha can feed his family only nine months per year with his current agriculture practices. With new farming methodologies he hopes to have food security all year round. Photo: Rev. Mai Ki

New ways to grow

The remote district of Chin State is far from the headlines, but the local Mara community suffers from regular food shortages caused by inefficient farming methods. Mission East works with local partners to introduce new ways of growing food for a more sustainable future.



FACTS

Mission East started working in Myanmar in 2013.

In Myanmar, Mission East works through local partners Together for Sustainable Development (TSD) and Health and Hope Myanmar (HHM).

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ 130 families gathered into Farmer Groups for mutual support in new growing methodologies.
- ✓ Seed banks established to support local farmers.
- ✓ Information materials and self-help group trainings on nutrition used to improve household dietary approach.

THE FUTURE

In 2018, Mission East and our partners will continue to focus on improving food security and environmental management together with the Mara community in Chin state. The capacity of local partner organisations to bring about change on issues important to the community



will be developed further. Due to the lack of infrastructure and the distance from large towns, communication and travel is often extremely difficult in the area. However, the enthusiasm and energy of the Mara community to adopt new approaches, to reduce hunger and to improve nutrition while preserving their natural resources is high!

The 'New Ways to Grow' project is like a sound of new hope ringing in the ears of the Mara community."



Khai Aye Programme Manager, Health and Hope Myanmar (HHM)

Myanmar projects

Stepping into the future: expansion phase of work in Southern Chin State, Myanmar

Donor	AEC Fonden
Duration	January 2015 – December 2017
Location	Chin State, Myanmar
Aim	Support to improve the community's capacity for self-sustainable food security and support to further Mission East's presence in Southern Chin State.
Outputs	2 demonstration farms established to inform communities on sustainable farming methods; support provided to local school children's nutrition.
Partner	Together for Sustainable Development (TSD)
ME code	MYA-AEC-001

New ways to grow: improving food security in South Chin, Myanmar

Donor	Civil Society in Development (CISU)
Duration	June 2017 – August 2019
Location	Chin State, Myanmar
Aim	Remote rural communities in Chin state have improved food security and nutrition.
Outputs	130 families will form Family Farmer Groups for sustainable new crop production methodology; community information on nutrition and sustainable farming; assessment, protection and management of water sources.
Partners	Health and Hope Myanmar (HHM) and Together for Sustainable Development (TSD)
ME code	MYA-CISU-002
Donor code	17-2004-UI-dec

By **Maryse Tanis** HQ Programme Manager for Armenia



This family lives in a deserted house with almost no furniture and no front door. The children attend Bridge of Hope's center for children in Dilijan, and the oldest has started in school after the school became inclusive with support from Mission East. Photo: Peter Ellertsen

Empowering civil society for greater inclusion for all



FACTS

Mission East started working in Armenia in 1992.

Head office: Yerevan

Number of staff: 11

Country Director: Armen Bezhanyan

Local partners: Bridge of Hope; Equal Rights Equal Opportunities, Youth Initiatives Center, Arevshat Foundation, UNICEF, Birthright Armenia, Armenian Volunteer Corps; New Generation, AIDS Prevention Union, Aids Prevention, Education & Care, Positive People Armenian Network, National Center for Aids Prevention, and OxyGen.

In Armenia, Mission East focuses on empowering local civil society organisations to promote and advocate for inclusive policies and practices. This will ensure access for marginalised groups to essential social, educational and medical services. Our target groups include children with disabilities, and HIV/AIDS at-risk populations.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ A Universal System of Inclusive Education model is now largely acknowledged by stakeholder civil society organisations and the Ministry of Education and Science after successful completion of its testing in Tavush province. The model is now being rolled out in the capital, Yerevan.
- ✓ Improved inclusive education for over 900 children with disabilities and special needs in education by capacitating 2,660 teachers and specialists and over 1,000 parents.
- ✓ Improved education and an inclusive environment for over 400 children with disabilities and those from vulnerable families, by adapting 19 classrooms to their psycho-social needs.
- ✓ Improved capacity of local actors to develop their communities in Lori, Shirak, Tavush, and Gegharkunik by technical engagement of top experts from the Armenian diaspora.

- ✓ 7,600 most-at-risk people reached with HIV/AIDS prevention services and harm reduction means.
- ✓ Over 1,600 people living with HIV/AIDS have received care and support.
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THE FUTURE

Mission East continues building and empowering our local partners to succeed in their promotion of disability rights. We will also continue our support to the introduction of a Universal System of Inclusive Education in Yerevan and help right-holders and duty-bearers to engage in effective policy dialogue. Furthermore, we will work closely together with other partners in supporting child protection and rural community development, including through diaspora engagement and youth activism.



Armenia projects

Equality for all – Inclusive education for children with disabilities in Armenia. Phase 2.

Donors	AEC Foundation, Det Nissenske Familiefond, Rengørings-Compagniets Fond, Paula og Axel Nissens Legat
Duration	July 2017 – February 2018
Location	Tavush Marz
Aim	To provide children with disabilities and special educational needs improved access to quality education opportunities within their communities, with staff trained and equipped resource rooms.
Outputs	Children with disabilities and special educational needs receive better services and care in newly renovated and equipped inclusive school resource rooms; children with disabilities and special educational needs and their families and care-givers have increased knowledge on child development and inclusiveness.
Partner	Bridge of Hope
ME code	ARM-AEC-002

Strengthening of diaspora engagement platform Together4Armenia for the benefit of vulnerable children and local communities

Donor	UNICEF
Duration	November 2016 – December 2017
Location	Lori, Tavush, Shirak and Gegharkunik Marz
Aim	Knowledge and know-how on child-related reforms is effectively transferred by the Armenian diaspora to local communities in the regions of Lori, Shirak, Tavush and Gegharkunik.
Outputs	Regional diaspora engagement hubs are operational and serve as a link between the local communities and the diaspora; diaspora engagement initiatives are being implemented in practice by transferring skills and knowledge to the community for the well-being of most vulnerable families and children.
Partners	Arevshat Foundation, Armenian Volunteer Corps, Birthright Armenia, Equal Rights Equal Opportunities, UNICEF, and the Youth Initiatives Center.
ME code	ARM-UNICEF-002

Support to the national program on the response to HIV epidemic in the Republic of Armenia

Donor	Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM)
Duration	January 2016 – September 2018
Location	Lori and Shirak provinces and Yerevan City
Aim	To accelerate the reduction of HIV spreading among most at-risk populations; to provide care, support and treatment to people living with HIV, and to enhance the supportive environment for a sustained multi-sectoral response on HIV.
Outputs	Over 12,000 counselling and testing services provided to most at-risk populations, and more than 1,600 people living with HIV have received care and support.
Partners	AIDS Prevention Union, Aids Prevention, Education & Care, National Center for Aids Prevention, New Generation, and the Positive People Armenian Network
ME code	ARM-GF-003
Donor Code	ARM-H-MEA

Living together, learning together: A child's right to quality inclusive education. Phase 1

Donor	Civil Society in Development (CISU)
Duration	July 2016 – January 2018
Location	Tavush Marz
Aim	The right to quality inclusive education is secured for children with disabilities and special educational needs in Armenia.
Outputs	77 mainstream schools in Tavush become inclusive, with staff trained and resource rooms adapted; 77 parent support groups are trained and empowered to become watchdogs of the rights of their children; the model of Universal Inclusive System of Education in Tavush is evaluated and completed with active participation of civil society groups and networks and is promoting country-wide replication.
Partner	Bridge of Hope
ME code	ARM-CISU-008
Donor Code	16-1824-SP-apr

Living together, learning together: A child's right to quality inclusive education. Phase 2

Donor	Civil Society in Development (CISU)
Duration	July 2017 – June 2019
Location	Yerevan City
Aim	The right to quality inclusive education is secured for children with disabilities and special educational needs in Armenia.
Outputs	The right to education of children with special needs is met in 65 mainstream schools in Yerevan; 65 parent support groups act as strong civil society actors advancing the rights of their children to inclusive quality education; and a strong and empowered civil society promotes the model of Universal Inclusive System of Education for replication in other regions of the country.
Partner	Bridge of Hope
ME code	ARM-CISU-009
Donor Code	17-2002-SP-dec

I am very proud to be part of Mission East's Armenia team working on the project Together4Armenia. I can see how this project facilitates the transfer of knowledge of Diaspora Armenians to local communities, causing positive social transformation in Armenia."



Taguhi Minasyan Website Content Coordinator

By **Joohi Haleem** HQ Programme Manager for Afghanistan



In 2017, Mission East delivered emergency relief to internally displaced people in north-eastern Afghanistan. 76-year-old Alim Khan had to flee from his village in 2016, but now has safe drinking water provided by Mission East. Photo: Mission East Afghanistan

Using the humanitarian-development nexus to build the resilience of the most vulnerable

The humanitarian needs in north-eastern Afghanistan are rapidly increasing, mainly due to conflict-induced displacement. Mission East's long-term presence on the ground and high levels of access and acceptance have made it one of the few actors in the north-east to have the capacity and resources to respond in a timely, effective and efficient manner.



FACTS

Mission East started working in Afghanistan in 2001.

Head office: Kabul

Provincial offices:

- Takhar:** Taloqan and Rustaq
- Baghlan:** Fring
- Badakhshan:** Faizabad, Kishim and Ishkashim

Number of staff: 94

Country Director: Louis Marijnissen

Local partner organisations:

Afghanistan Social and Legal Organization (ASLO), Empowerment of Women Organization (EWO), and Baharak Vocational Agriculture Social Service Organization (BVASSO).

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ 29 water schemes built and repaired.
- ✓ 2,965 household and 51 community latrines built.
- ✓ About 8,344 male and female household members trained in good hygiene practice, and 1,110 women in good nutrition and feeding practices.
- ✓ 4 irrigation canals rehabilitated providing irrigation water to 5 communities.
- ✓ 1,368 households (mainly women) provided with training and inputs for activities to improve household food and livelihood security. 32 new Self Help Groups formed and trained.
- ✓ Financial and capacity-building support provided to 3 local NGO partners with 15 others trained.
- ✓ 16 communities supported to put natural resource management mechanisms and community watershed management plans in place, and to pilot renewable fuel production.
- ✓ 32 high-risk communities supported to set up and manage community-based disaster risk management structures.
- ✓ Non-food items, shelter and winterization kits provided from prepositioned stock to about 1,100 conflict-affected IDP families in Takhar and Badakhshan.

THE FUTURE

Within an increasingly fragile and insecure operational environment with growing humanitarian needs, the programme will work towards helping disaster and conflict-affected people to meet critical needs in the aftermath of a crisis. We will help them avoid resorting to negative coping strategies such as selling land or livestock, taking on high levels of debt or marrying off young girls to reduce the number of dependants. We will also seek to improve household health and human capital and reduce vulnerability to disease and malnutrition by improving access to basic water, sanitation and hygiene and increasing household food production and dietary diversity. Finally, we will continue to work to ensure that vulnerable men and women in rural areas have strengthened, diversified livelihoods, and are more resilient to recurrent shocks.



Afghanistan projects

Ensuring preparedness for timely and effective response to humanitarian needs arising from conflict, natural disasters and other emergencies in Badakhshan, Takhar, and Baghlan provinces, north-eastern Afghanistan

Donor	UN OCHA
Duration	May 2017 - October 2017
Location	Badakhshan, Takhar and Baghlan provinces
Aim	The overall objective of the project is to improve preparedness for timely, appropriate and effective humanitarian assistance in emergency shelter and non-food items for crisis-affected families in Takhar, Baghlan and Badakhshan provinces.
Outputs	1,570 non-food items and 490 shelter kits procured and stocked in Taloqan and Faizabad as well as in some of the most remote disaster and conflict-prone districts in the three targeted provinces, namely Fring, Gozar-gahae-Noor and Khost districts in Baghlan; Rustaq and Chaab districts in Takhar; and Wakhan, Baharak, Shugnan, Iskashim, and Shah-e Buzurg districts in Badakhshan.
ME code	AFG-OCHA-003
Donor code	AFG-17/3481/ISA/ESNFI/INGO/5024

An integrated, community-driven approach to relief, rehabilitation and development in north-eastern Afghanistan

Donor	Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Duration	January 2017 - March 2018
Location	Takhar, Badakhshan and Baghlan provinces
Aim	To reduce vulnerability and build resilience in remote rural communities of north-eastern Afghanistan at risk from protracted instability as well as sudden-onset crises and malnutrition.
Outputs	About 300 conflict-affected internally displaced families assisted; 17 water supply systems, 1,644 household latrines and 30 public latrines built, 3,231 hygiene kits distributed and 2,582 individuals trained in hygiene; 950 women supported for kitchen gardening and greenhouses, food processing and nutrition; 285 households supported in poultry rearing, bee-keeping and orchard management; 16 new self-help groups and 13 producer groups created and trained; 16 villages trained in watershed management; 4 irrigation canals rehabilitated; 3 local NGOs supported to participate in relief activities with another 15 assessed and trained; community disaster risk management structures formed and trained in 32 high-risk villages.
Partners	Afghanistan Social and Legal Organization (ASLO), Empowerment of Women Organization (EWO), and Baharak Vocational Agriculture Social Service Organization (BVASSO)
ME code	AFG-SHUM-17
Donor code	HPA 2016-42385

Building the resilience of remote, vulnerable communities in Badakhshan, north-eastern Afghanistan

Donors	German Ministry for Economic Cooperation & Development (BMZ), Højesteretsadvokat Eivind Eckbos Dansk-Norske Legat, Jubilæumsfonden af 12.08.1973, Medarbejdernes Honorarfond i Novo Gruppen, Sct. Georgs Fonden, Y's Men, Y's Menettes, and private supporters
Duration	November 2016 - October 2017
Location	Kishim, Argo, Darayeem and Shah-e Buzurg in Badakhshan province
Aim	To reduce vulnerability and build resilience in rural communities of north-eastern Afghanistan suffering from protracted social, economic and environmental instability.
Outputs	8 new water supply systems, 1,121 household and 16 community latrines built; 5,762 individuals trained in hygiene; 168 women trained in kitchen gardening and greenhouses, food processing and nutrition; 440 men and women trained in poultry, orchard management and self-help group and producer group formation; capacity-building of 8 community development councils and water user committees.
ME code	AFG-BMZ-001
Donor code	Project No. 1374

I joined Mission East back in December 2008, and it has been my pleasure to work with Mission East all these years. I am very happy to be a member of an organisation that supports needy people in vulnerable areas. I also find it very interesting and challenging to work with different people from different countries."

Abdul Marouf Azizpour, Admin & Liaison Officer based in Kabul, Afghanistan



By **Maryse Tanis** HQ Programme Manager for Tajikistan



7-year-old Yosuman has cerebral palsy and used to fall and hurt herself. At Mission East's playcorner she has learned better balance through exercises, and has become more open to other people. Photo: Line Højland.



FACTS

Mission East started working in Tajikistan in 1997

Head office: Dushanbe

Provincial offices: Penjakent, Khorog, Kulyab and Khalaikhumb/Dashtak.

Number of staff: 60

Country Director: Thomas Wimber

Partner organisations:

INGOs: Humanity and Inclusion (formerly Handicap International), and Aga Khan Agency for Habitat.

National NGOs: Markazi Nur, Nuri Umed, Zarshedabonu, and Kulyab and Penjakent Associations of Committees of Parents of children with disabilities (KACP and PACP).



Lifting up the most vulnerable

Mission East has worked in Tajikistan – the poorest of the former Soviet republics – since 1997. Initially we provided food relief, but as the context shifted we engaged in longer term development aid. Mission East has since worked steadfastly in Tajikistan establishing sectoral expertise in water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH), disaster risk reduction (DRR) and inclusive social services for people with disabilities.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ Renewed funding for further DRR, WASH and inclusive projects through 2020, based on successful prior programmes.
- ✓ Expansion into new communities and districts for WASH and inclusive programming.
- ✓ More than 12,000 people have benefited from WASH programming with clean water and sanitation facilities, as well as refurbished schools, safe bridges and health and hygiene promotion trainings.
- ✓ New rehabilitation centres and play corners for children with disabilities have opened in eight districts – in cooperation with local partners.
- ✓ Community clean water facilities in Gorno-Badakhshan have been modified and adapted to accommodate access for people with disabilities.
- ✓ People with disabilities have been included into community-based initiatives in DRR through our inclusive approach.
- ✓ 3,000 community stakeholders have been directly involved in trainings, awareness building and advocacy and mitigation measures for DRR. More than 6,000 people benefited indirectly through public campaigns.

- ✓ Awareness campaigns on the rights of people with disabilities have targeted thousands of people –within the framework of Tajik legislation and the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

THE FUTURE

While Tajikistan struggles to meet its Sustainable Development Goals by 2030, our work to build local capacity in sustainable service provision will make significant contributions towards that effort. Through concerted and cooperative partnerships from the highest to the most localised levels of Tajik society, we seek to guarantee effective development in the coming years. Mission East is committed to Tajikistan for the long road ahead!

Tajikistan projects

Hear My Voice – Empowering Tajik civil society for disability rights advocacy

Donor	Civil Society in Development (CISU)
Duration	April 2014 - March 2017
Location	Sughd and Khatlon provinces and other areas throughout the country
Aim	By the end of the project the partners: 1) have improved their organisational management capacities and strengthened their networking skills, 2) have increased their technical expertise, and are on the way to becoming lead agencies in rights-based inclusion of people with disabilities into society, and 3) are advocating individually and in coalition for rights-based services for people with disabilities.
Outputs	The four project partners have improved their capacity for organisational management, and they advocate for rights-based service delivery for people with disabilities, based on improved technical expertise and a developed strategy for networking and advocacy.
Partners	KACP, Nuri Umed, PACP, and Zarshedabonu
ME code	TAJ-CISU-005
Donor code	13-1417-SP-dec

Promote water, sanitation & hygiene and disaster management in at-risk border communities of Afghanistan and Tajikistan

Donor	PATRIIP Foundation
Duration	January 2014 - April 2017
Location	Darvoz district, Gorno Badakshan Autonomous Oblast in Tajikistan and Nusai district in the Badakshan province of Afghanistan
Aim	To reduce vulnerability to disease and natural hazards and to improve the living conditions of at-risk remote rural communities in the border regions of Afghanistan and Tajikistan. This happens through the provision of clean drinking water and adequate sanitation facilities, improvement of local hygiene practices and implementation of community-based disaster risk reduction measures.
Outputs	750 household and 25 public latrines, 28 village water systems, disaster risk reduction measures in place in 52 communities, small scale mitigation works done, and 30-40 community representatives have been trained as maintainers of the WASH facilities through cross border visits.
Partner	Mission East Afghanistan
ME code	TAJ-PAP-003
Donor code	AFG-MIEAST-002

Integrated village improvement project

Donor	PATRIIP Foundation
Duration	November 2017 - April 2020
Location	Darvoz and Vanj Districts in Tajikistan Nusai, Shekay and Moimai Districts in Afghanistan
Aim	To reduce vulnerability to disease and natural hazards and to improve the living conditions of at-risk remote rural communities in the border regions of Afghanistan and Tajikistan. This happens through the provision of clean drinking water and adequate sanitation facilities, improvement of local hygiene practices and implementation of community-based disaster risk reduction measures.
Outputs	862 latrines (480 in Afghanistan and 382 in Tajikistan), 32 village water systems, disaster risk reduction measures in place in 24 communities, small scale mitigation works, and cross-border visits made in support of the project and its sustainability.
Partner	Mission East Afghanistan
ME code	TAJ-PAP-005
Donor code	AFG-TAJ-MIEAST-003

“After working with Mission East’s disaster risk reduction projects, I have gained experience on how to keep the team and the car safe in case of flooding or earthquake.”



Rashid Taghoev Driver

Fostering disaster-resilient communities in isolated mountain environments of Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan - Phase IX

Donor	European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid (ECHO), via Agha Khan Agency for Habitat
Duration	February 2016 - July 2017
Location	Gorno Badakshan Autonomous Oblast
Aim	To increase the resilience to natural disasters of vulnerable local communities and strengthen the capacities of the mandated national, regional and local institutions dealing with disaster risk management in Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan, by enabling a safer and inclusive environment.
Outputs	Enhanced knowledge by critical stakeholders to apply inclusive hazard assessment and preparedness measurements; increased capacity of the stakeholders for design and application of inclusive disaster response mechanisms; and enhanced capacity to implement, facilitate and advocate for inclusive DRR policies and practices.
Partner	Aga Khan Agency for Habitat
ME code	TAJ-DIP-009
Donor code	ECHO-EN/BUD/2016/91013

Fostering disaster resilient communities in isolated mountain environments of Tajikistan - Phase X

Donor	European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid (ECHO), via Agha Khan Agency for Habitat
Duration	August 2017 - December 2018
Location	Gorno Badakshan Autonomous Oblast
Aim	To strengthen emergency and disaster response and preparedness capacity within communities and among national partners by promoting inclusive disaster risk reduction policies and practices, and improving disaster risk management at regional and community level, thus contributing to a safer and more inclusive environment in Tajikistan.
Outputs	Improved emergency response and preparedness capacity in communities, civil society and local government; integration of inclusion in disaster risk management policies and practices at the national and local level; improved climate change resilience in communities through structural mitigation of at-risk environment, and; strengthened national framework on disaster risk management in the country.
Partner	Aga Khan Agency for Habitat
ME code	TAJ-DIP-010
Donor code	ECHO-AS/BUD/2017/91033

SocialServices4Inclusion: Improved social services and coordinated action for community-based rehabilitation of children with disabilities through centres, parent support groups, Social Assistance at Home Units, and Primary Healthcare Workers

Donor	EuropeAid, Civil Society in Development (CISU)
Duration	December 2016 - June 2019
Location	Gorno Badakshan Autonomous Oblast, Khatlon and Sughd provinces
Aim	To contribute to reducing social exclusion by supporting the rights of people with disabilities. This happens by supporting the development of the social services system for children with disabilities.
Outputs	Social services are created, expanded and adapted, with support from civil society, for rehabilitation of children with disabilities in eight locations. Quality standards, methodologies and good practices for social care are developed, allowing for more effective and transparent coordination, Monitoring & Evaluation, and supporting civil society's role in sustainable social service provision.
Partners	Humanity & Inclusion (formerly Handicap International), Markazi Nur, Nuri Umed, and Zarshedabonu
ME code	TAJ-EUA-024, TAJ-CISU-006
Donor code	ACA 2016 375-525, 17-2039-SF

By Alex Ramos-Peña HQ Programme Manager for Nepal



The main livelihood in the mountains of Karnali is agriculture. In Mission East's literacy classes, women learn to sell their crops for a better price at the market.
Photo: Susanne Madsen

Combating poverty in the mountains and on the plains

Mission East Nepal has continued its commitment to combat long-term poverty and discrimination in the remotest part of the country, the mountainous Karnali zone. At the same time, we have supported communities recovering from the 2015 earthquake, and provided emergency relief to those affected by dramatic floods in the plains of the Terai in 2017.



FACTS

Mission East started working in Nepal in 1997.

Head office: Kathmandu

Number of staff: 12

Country Director: James Samuel

Local partner organisations:

KIRDARC, WWS, Samjhauta, ANSAB, IAS, NNDSWO, CDS, LDCDF, SAHAS, HEAD, and KIWDF.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ 13,000 people in remote mountainous districts benefit from improved women's literacy, rights awareness and livelihoods skills.
- ✓ 14 women supported by Mission East projects in the Karnali zone have been elected to local councils.
- ✓ 58,000 people in earthquake-affected districts are protected by improved local disaster management capacity.
- ✓ 14,000 flood-affected people have received shelter materials and relief items.
- ✓ Inclusive approaches have ensured participation of women, adolescent girls, people with disabilities, Dalits and other marginalised groups in community development activities.

THE FUTURE

In 2018, Mission East will continue our work in the Karnali region, with a particular emphasis on developing civil society, combating discrimination and fostering the participation of women, people with disabilities and other marginalised groups in social and economic life. Making sure 'no one is left behind' is essential for overcoming poverty in remote and vulnerable communities. Nepal is prone to many types of disasters, including landslides, floods and earthquakes – Mission East will continue to work with partners to ensure local response as necessary.



Nepal projects

Promoting inclusive Community Based Disaster Preparedness in the recovery and reconstruction of earthquake affected areas of Nepal

Donor	European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid (ECHO), World Relief US, ZOA
Duration	May 2016 – December 2017
Location	Sindhupalchowk, Dolakha, Ramechhap and Okhaldhunga districts
Aim:	To strengthen the resilience of communities and institutions in Nepal to the impacts of disaster.
Outputs	Inclusive local disaster risk management planning in 18 VDCs; strengthened capacity for disaster response in 4 districts; inclusive and flexible model for local disaster risk management shared to improve disaster preparedness in other parts of the country.
Partners	Save the Children, SAHAS, CDS, LDCCDF
ME code	NEP-ECHO-005, NEP-WR-002, NEP-ZOA-002
Donor code	ECHO/BUD/2016/91009

Linking relief to recovery & reconstruction for most affected populations – Nepal 2016

Donor	ZOA
Duration	January 2016 – January 2017
Location	Ramechhap district
Aim	To contribute to recovery and reconstruction efforts of the most affected populations from the 2015 April/May earthquakes in Nepal.
Outputs	667 household latrines and 4 school latrines built or reconstructed; 11 village water supply systems rehabilitated; 1,200 households received seeds and tools for food cultivation; 4 irrigation systems repaired; 113 households received livestock for animal husbandry.
Partner	CDS
ME code	NEP-ZOA-002
Donor code	PL08.11

Gender justice for a brighter future

Donors:	Läkarmissionen, Asta og Jul. P. Justesens Fond, Nettolager ApS
Duration:	February 2016 – September 2018
Location:	Humla and Mugu districts
Aim:	To contribute to poverty reduction by promoting gender justice and improving access of most vulnerable women to livelihoods, health and social security services in Humla and Mugu districts, Nepal.
Outputs:	1,650 women receive literacy training; 42 women's groups support vocational and business skills for livelihoods improvement; strengthened attention to women's issues in local development via advocacy and awareness raising.
Partners	WWS, Samjhauta, KIWDF
ME code	NEP-LKM-003, NEP-JL-002, NEP-NET-001
Donor code	Project Nr 1530, 151202-00565

VOICE – Voicing for equality and justice for women in Karnali

Donors	Civil Society in Development (CISU)
Duration	January 2015 – November 2017
Location	Humla and Mugu districts
Aim	To empower women and civil society organisations for better inclusion and development in the Karnali Zone, Nepal.
Outputs	4,000 women and adolescent girls and 1,000 male heads of household sensitised on women's rights; 6 local civil society organisations and 26 women's groups/networks strengthened in their capacity to work on inclusion and gender issues; local government workers received training in accountability and inclusion.
Partners	KIRDARC, WWS
ME code	NEP-CISU-005
Donor code	14-1553-SP-sep

Response to Nepal floods 2017

Donor	Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Duration	September 2017 – November 2017
Location	Sunsari district
Aim	To respond to the immediate basic needs of populations affected by the August 2017 floods in south-eastern Nepal.
Outputs	1,020 flood-affected households receive shelter materials and basic non-food items.
Partner	Nepal National Dalit Social Welfare Organization (NNDSWO)
ME code	NEP-FLEX-002
Donor code	2016-42385

Nepal flood response 2017

Donor	ZOA
Duration	September 2017 – December 2017
Location	Rautahat and Saptari districts
Aim	To serve flood-affected households with emergency shelter kits and relief items.
Outputs	1,840 households receive emergency shelter kits and kitchen utensil sets. Links between the communities and local authorities are facilitated to obtain food relief subsidies for affected households.
Partner	Nepal National Dalit Social Welfare Organization (NNDSWO)
ME code	NEP-ZOA-003

Nepal projects continued

AFFIRM Karnali – Alliance for fostering inclusive and resilient development of marginalised communities in Karnali

Donor	Danish Mission Council Development Department (DMCDD)
Duration	November 2014 – March 2017
Location	Humla, Mugu and Kalikot districts, Nepal
Aim	To sustain climate risk resilient and gender sensitive community development in Karnali zone of Nepal.
Outputs	Monitoring, diary collecting and analysing weather data at district level; 790 people trained on inclusive and gender-sensitive disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation; disaster preparedness and response plans developed and updated in all 3 districts.
Partner	KIRDARC
ME code	NEP-DMCDD-004
Donor code	DMCDD-14-A-03

A future without hunger - self-help for Nepal's most vulnerable

Donor	AEC Fonden
Duration	January 2017 - December 2019
Location	Humla district, Nepal
Aim	To contribute towards Government of Nepal's Zero Hunger Challenge Initiative (ZHC) for marginalised children in the remote mountainous districts of Nepal.
Outputs	300 women receive training in kitchen gardening and nutrition to reduce child hunger and improve nutrition.
Partner	HEAD Nepal
ME code	NEP-AEC-007

Rooting out poverty: rights and opportunities for women in Nepal

Donor	Danmarks Indsamling
Duration	April 2016 – September 2018
Location	Kalikot district, Nepal
Aim	To empower most vulnerable women in the remote and isolated area of Kalikot in Nepal to fight poverty through education and livelihood improvement.
Outputs	460 women completed 3 modules of training on action-based literacy, village banking and enterprise management. 200 women received various vocational training which contributed to increase in family income.
Partner	KIRDARC
ME code	NEP-DR-001

Reducing hunger and improving nutrition amongst children with disabilities and other marginalised children in remote mountain villages of Nepal

Donor	Danmarks Indsamling
Duration	June 2017 – May 2019
Location	Humla district, Nepal
Aim	To contribute towards Government of Nepal's Zero Hunger Challenge Initiative (ZHC) for marginalised children in the remote mountainous districts of Nepal.
Outputs	300 mothers of children with disability will receive training in crop production and use, to reduce child hunger and improve nutrition for approx. 1500 children and 1000 other family members. Partner HEAD Nepal will receive training to improve its financial and programmatic capacity.
Partner	HEAD Nepal
ME code	NEP-DR-002



There are challenges as well as opportunities in Mission East. I have learnt many things during my field visits to Karnali. I am glad to get an opportunity to serve the most marginalised people of Nepal."

Arati Rayamajhi, Programme Officer



By **Kendrah Jespersen** HQ Programme Manager for North Korea



| With new water systems, 400 families in Taegok Ri no longer have to drink contaminated water. Photo: Yvan Grayel

Clean water can save lives

In North Korea, Mission East works to make sure communities are not at risk from waterborne illnesses, by establishing or improving water supply systems in villages and schools, and by building latrines and sharing hygiene information. Put simply, clean water and toilets can save lives!



FACTS

Mission East started working in North Korea (also known as DPRK) in 2011. Mission East works with the Korean European Cooperation Agency (KECCA) and the local authorities.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ 960,000 water purification tablets delivered as part of emergency flood response.
- ✓ Provision of materials to repair flood-damaged water systems for 2,600 people.
- ✓ Support to tree nursery to improve agricultural conditions for 400 families.
- ✓ Installation of a new gravity-fed water system serving 400 families.
- ✓ 16 school latrines built and hygiene promotion provided for 350 pupils.



THE FUTURE

Looking to the future, Mission East will continue its cooperation with local government to respond to the needs of poor rural populations and support emergency response as required. This is challenging work in a remote location, but fits well with our mission to reach particularly vulnerable communities.

North Korea projects

Linking flood-affected populations in North Hamgyong Province to new water distribution systems

Donors	Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Fonden af 24-05-2003
Duration	November 2016 – June 2017
Location	North Hamgyong Province, North Korea
Aim	To assist flood affected populations in North Hamgyong Province with new water distribution systems.
Outputs	Provision of 960.000 chlorine water purification tablets to cover urgent needs for over 5,000 people, and repair of damaged drinking water supply to 2 rural flood damaged communities for over 2,600 people.
Partner	North Hamgyong Province People's Committees, Ministry of City Management
ME code	KOR-FLEX-001, KOR-24M-001
Donor code	2016-42385

Food security and water, sanitation and hygiene assessment and pilot in North Korea

Donors	Fonden af 17-12-1981, Fonden af 24-05-2003, Y's Menette Clubs
Duration	January 2015 – September 2017
Location	Kangwon Province, North Korea
Aim	To improve lives of rural communities in North Korea in terms of nutrition and health through an intervention in food security and water, sanitation, and hygiene, scalable to a larger future intervention.
Outputs	Plastic sheets and sun shields for a tree nursery to support reforestation and agroforestry, a gravity fed water system serving 400 families, 16 latrines in schools and hygiene promotion for 350 school children.
Partner	Kangwon Province People's Committee, Ministry of City Management
ME code	KOR-FON-001, KOR-24M-001, KOR-YSM-002

By Peter Drummond Smith Operations Director



More than 600,000 Rohingyas fled from Myanmar to Bangladesh in the autumn of 2017. Mission East has provided emergency relief through our Integral Alliance partners. Photo: Medical Teams International

FACTS

Mission East responded to the Rohingya displacement crisis in autumn 2017 with partners from the Integral Alliance and provided support to the population in Nagorno-Karabakh in July 2017. We started supporting Syrian refugees in 2013.

Rohingya Response Partners:
Medical Teams International

Syria Response Partners:
Karagheusian Foundation,
OxYgen

Nagorno-Karabakh Response Partners:
International Health Partners (UK) Limited

Working together for effective disaster response

In 2017 a humanitarian crisis unfolded in over-crowded refugee camps in Bangladesh, as hundreds of thousands of Rohingyas fled persecution in Myanmar. The war in Syria continued, and the future looked bleak for the country’s hard-tested population. Mission East responded to these crises through our international networks and partnerships with local organisations.

ROHINGYA RESPONSE

- ✓ 16,500 refugees benefit from hygiene awareness training to improve their health during displacement.

SYRIA RESPONSE

- ✓ Provision of food and winter fuel to 200 families in and around Aleppo.
- ✓ Increased socio-economic resilience for 162 Syrian-Armenian refugee families in Armenia, supported with cash for shelter and winterisation, and individual social work assistance.

NAGORNO-KARABAKH RESPONSE

- ✓ Distribution of about 52,000 packs of medication in Nagorno-Karabakh.



Responding to disasters in a timely and effective way

In 2017 Mission East launched a Disaster Fund. It consists of funds from private supporters, earmarked for disaster response, so that we have them available when the need arises. In 2017, the Disaster Fund helped us reach thousands of people across 5 countries.

“I want to help others with the education I do have. Being a community health worker allows me to do that.”

Yasmin, Community Health Worker for Medical Teams International in Nayapara camp, Bangladesh.



Other crisis projects

Support to Integral Alliance response to Rohingya refugee crisis

Donor	Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Duration	October 2017 - November 2017
Location	Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh
Aim	Ensure good coordination and information sharing between Integral Alliance agencies responding to the Rohingya refugee crisis in Bangladesh; support coordination of local partners and participation in UN-led coordination system; support development of Disaster Response Framework for Integral Alliance.
Outputs	Establishment of in-country coordination tools and systems used by all responding agencies, facilitation of opportunities to share resources, and recommendations for improved coordination in future joint responses.
Partner	Integral Alliance
ME code	BAN-FLEX-001
Donor code	2016-42385

Shelter and employment for Syrian-Armenian refugees

Donor	Armenia Redwood Foundation, and Private Donors
Duration	June 2016 - November 2017
Location	Yerevan City, Armenia
Aim	To contribute to mitigating the humanitarian situation of the most vulnerable refugees in Armenia, displaced because of the Syria crisis.
Outputs	The immediate housing and psycho-social needs of at least 300 vulnerable refugee households in Armenia displaced from Syria are met. Support has been provided to the development of long-term housing and employment solutions for this refugee population.
Partner	OxYGen
ME code	ARM-RWP-001

Rohingya refugee response

Donor	Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Private Donors
Duration	October 2017 - December 2017
Location	Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh
Aim	Reduce morbidity associated with diarrheal disease among the refugee population of Kutupalong refugee camp, through prevention of disease outbreaks and response activities.
Outputs	Training of 41 community health workers; health worker visits to 3,679 households; hygiene promotion activities.
Partner	Medical Teams International
ME code	BAN-FLEX-002, BAN-EMF-001
Donor code	2016-42385

Support to conflict-affected families in Aleppo

Donor	Private Donors
Duration	Support to conflict-affected families in Aleppo
Location	Aleppo City, Syria
Aim	To provide life-saving relief for families affected by the conflict in Aleppo.
Outputs	Food and winter fuel provided to 200 families.
Partner	Karagheusian Foundation
ME code	SYR-ME-003

Distribution of medication in Nagorno-Karabakh

In June 2017, Mission East delivered a large supply of medication (approx. 52,000 packs) donated by International Health Partners (UK) Limited, to hospitals receiving people wounded from clashes in the Nagorno-Karabakh region.



“Mission East covers part of our rent, and for that we are very thankful.”

Arpine Bajakjian, mother of two and Syrian-Armenian refugee in Armenia.

Some of our joint achievements in 2017

Every year, thousands of people participate in and benefit from Mission East's projects. Here you can see how many people have benefited in 2017 from each of the sectors we work in.



Emergency relief

181,008
people



Food security

38,386
people



Disaster Risk Reduction

128,819
people



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

143,573
people



Livelihoods help

26,181
people



Disability and Inclusion work

9,890
people

As some projects cover multiple sectors there may be overlaps of beneficiaries between the sectors.

Thank you!

Mission East wishes to thank all those who made our work possible in 2017, including all of our generous private individual supporters and the following groups, organisations and companies, who have supported our work:

Alliance partners

- * Cedar Fund
- * IHP - International Health Partners
- * Läkarmissionen
- * World Relief Deutschland e.v.
- * World Relief US
- * ZOA

Churches

- * Aabenraa Sogns Menighedsråd
- * Aarhus Bykirke
- * Aars Frikirke
- * Baptistkirken Bornholm
- * Betania Kirkecenter
- * Bistrup Kirkes Arbejdsudvalg
- * Blistrup Kirke
- * Det Fælles Kirkekontor
- * Emaus – Vorgod IM
- * Glostrup Sogns Menighed
- * Grønnevang Kirke
- * Herlufsholm Sogns Julemarked
- * Holbæk Frikirke
- * Højnæskirken
- * Karlslunde Strandkirke, Strandkirke-fællesskabet
- * Kvaglund Kirke
- * Pedersborg Kirkekasse
- * Skjern Bykirke
- * Skjern Menighedsråd
- * Skovlunde Sogns Menighedsråd
- * Sorgenfri Menighedsråd
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- * Søborgmagle Kirke
- * Villingerød Menighedsråd
- * Øster Snede Kirke

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- * AHN Holding ApS
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- * Bønnerup Fisk I/S
- * Cascam Aps
- * HEG Consult Aps
- * House A/S
- * Hygade Aps
- * Jacob Berner Rue
- * Jernsø Smede- & Maskinværksted
- * JJP Holding
- * JT3 Klima A/S
- * Knud Albertsen Holding ApS
- * LLH Consulting
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- * Nettolager ApS
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- * Scanpal APS
- * Solkær Murerforretning ApS
- * Tegneriet
- * Vækstcenter for Arbejde
- * Wich Holding

Foundations

- * A21
- * AEC Fonden
- * Armenia Redwood Foundation
- * Asta og Jul. P. Justesens Fond
- * Buschardfonden
- * Bygma Fonden
- * Den Midtjyske Bladfond
- * Det Nissenske Familiefond
- * Direktør J.P. Lund og Hustru Vilhelmine Bugge's Legat
- * Erik Thunes Legat af 1954
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- * Fonden af 24.05.2003
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- * Jubilæumsfonden af 12.08.1973
- * Medarbejdernes Honorarfond i Novo Gruppen
- * Missionsfonden af 4/5 1964

- * Ole Kirk's Fond
- * PATRIP Foundation
- * Paula og Axel Nissens Legat
- * Rengørings-Compagniets Fond
- * Sct. Georgs Fonden
- * The Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria
- * Tømmerhandler Johannes Fogs Fond

Institutional donors

- * BMZ – German Ministry of Economic Cooperation & Development
- * CISU – Civil Society in Development
- * Danish government – Agency for Culture and Palaces
- * Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- * DMCCD – Danish Mission Council Development Department
- * ECHO – European Union Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid
- * EuropeAid – European Commission International Cooperation and Development
- * German Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- * UNICEF (Armenia)
- * UNICEF (Iraq)
- * UNOCHA - Afghanistan Common Humanitarian Fund
- * UNOCHA - Iraq Humanitarian Pooled Fund
- * US State Department Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration

Others

- * Agha Khan Agency for Habitat
- * Danmarks Indsamling
- * Finn Højland og Andreasskolen
- * Sankt Lukas Stiftelsen
- * Y's Men Clubs, Denmark
- * Y's Menette Clubs, Denmark

About Mission East

Mission East is an international relief and development organisation founded in Denmark. We work to help vulnerable populations, supporting communities' capacities to organise and assist themselves, through activities ranging from disaster relief to development assistance.

Our vision is to empower people and communities in crisis-affected countries to lift themselves out of poverty and marginalisation.

Values in action

Honesty · Integrity · Compassion · Respect for all people · Valuing the individual



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