More than six years into the crisis, Syria is still witnessing destruction to almost every aspect of life and livelihoods, including massive devastation of homes, businesses, basic services and infrastructure continues, leaving nearly 6.5 million internally displaced and close to 5 million refugees. More than 85% of Syrians live in poverty and at least 13.5 million are in dire need of humanitarian assistance. Most of the internally displaced are living with and are generously hosted by communities, despite the heavy burden this has placed on jobs, services, and infrastructure, and pressures on social cohesion. The country has reportedly lost nearly four decades of human development.

Since the onset of the crisis, UNDP has supported Syrians in early recovery, livelihoods and resilience building efforts, targeting those communities that have suffered physical damage as a result of the crisis as well as those communities hosting internally displaced persons. UNDP’s engagement was mainly aimed to mitigate the socio-economic impacts of the crisis on the most vulnerable people and support an enabling environment for the most affected to cope with the protracted crisis, avoid multiple displacements and stay in their homes where the security situation allows.

Between 2014 to 2016, UNDP benefited 4.3 million persons directly or indirectly in all Syrian Governorates through targeted early recovery and livelihoods restoration efforts in partnership with more than 150 local actors including NGOs, CBOs and faith-based organizations.

This was achieved through rehabilitation of community infrastructure and restoration of basic services using labor-intensive schemes, where a total of 63,000 emergency employment opportunities were provided to IDPs and their host community members working on solid waste and debris management and emergency repairs in affected Syrian Governorates. It has also facilitated the revival of at least 1,634 businesses through productive assets replacement, start-up grants, vocational trainings, job placements, value-chain development and market restoration.

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Additionally, UNDP is implementing a comprehensive capacity development programme for NGOs/ CBOs, which comprises formal training, peer-to-peer support through twinning and networking, and other innovative models.

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**2016 RESULTS UNDP SYRIA**

- **2.4 MILLION**
  - Persons benefiting from the rehabilitation of basic infrastructure and social services

- **3,596**
  - Persons with disability receiving comprehensive services

- **31,293**
  - Youth collaborating on social cohesion activities

- **61,287**
  - Persons benefiting from training, employment and business support

- **16,615**
  - Female headed households receiving socio-economic support

- **89**
  - Local partnerships developed for resilience building inside Syria

**FUNDING 2017-2018 (USD)**

- **$125m** DELIVERY TARGET
- **$65m** FUNDING RECEIVED
- **$60m** FUNDING GAP

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