AGENDA

1. Flowchart of Actions: March - May
2. What UN-Habitat has Done: Highlights
3. Our Ambition: COVID-19 Response Plan
4. Way-forward: Priorities in the Post-COVID World
UN-Habitat’s Responses to COVID-19 March
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INTERNAL MEASURES

6 Mar
Convened Executive Board Bureau Meeting on COVID response and rescheduling of legislative events

10 Mar
Put up poster of UN-H Health Advice on Coronavirus

13 Mar
Initiated 8.30am Daily Emergency Task Force Meeting

16 Mar
All UN-Habitat staff started working from home

Developed Emergency Response & Business Continuity Plan (Revised on 13 Apr)

EXTERNAL MEASURES

4 Feb
Attended the first Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) on the COVID-19 Outbreak

10 Mar
Published Key Messages on COVID Response

23 Mar
SG’s Report on Staying Healthy at Home: Advice for UN Staff

27 Mar
SG’s Report on Socio-economic Impact of COVID

Developed Country Intervention Strategy for Kenya, Mozambique, Somalia, Ethiopia, Guinea, etc.

31 Mar
SG’s Letter to G20 calling for Emergency Virtual Summit

23 Mar
SG’s Report on Remote Working & Supporting Staff Mental Health

30 Mar
Published Key Messages on COVID & Informal Settlements in all UN official languages

Published COVID Policy and Programme Framework (Revised on 15 Apr)

Published Opinion Piece: “Local Governments are in the frontline of coronavirus response”
18 Mar
Developed **Regional Emergency Plans**

20 Mar
Initiated **Global Weekly Updates on UN-H Responses**

23 Mar
Established **Core Humanitarian Programming & Coordination Team**

19 Mar
SG Remarks on COVID: **A Call for Solidarity**

23 Mar
SG’s Letter to **G20 calling for Emergency Virtual Summit**

24 Mar
Released Analysis on **Impact of COVID on Kenya** from Perspectives of Health, Economy and Planning

25 Mar
ED Participated in a live **interview with KBC**, a state-run media of Kenya to brief global, regional and local responses

27 Mar
Initiated a series of **webinars with UCLG and Metropolis** for Local Governments to share experience on COVID responses

Open a series of **webinars on Social Inclusion during Crisis** with World Enabled to protect the disadvantaged groups

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**Briefing to Member States on Financial Situation of UN-Habitat in the Context of COVID**

31 Mar
**SG Launched UN COVID Multi-Partner Response & Recovery Fund (MPTF)**

Released **Response Plan for Kenya**
UN-Habitat’s Responses to COVID-19 April

**INTERNAL MEASURES**

1 Apr
 Conducted Townhall for Regional Office for Arab States

2 Apr
 Conducted Townhall for Regional Office for Africa

Conducted Townhall for Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean

8 Apr

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 Published web stories on response in the field with public hand-washing stations installed in informal settlements in Mathare of Kenya and Sittwe of Myanmr

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 SG’s Appeal for a Global Ceasefire

8 Apr
 Counter-signed the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) to implement life-saving activities

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 SG’s Policy Brief: Impact of COVID on Women

9 Apr
 SG’s letter to Member States calling for support to COVID-19 MPTF

Published COVID-19 Socioeconomic Impacts on Africa

**LEGENDS**

UNHQ - Global - Regional - Local

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15 Apr
SG’s Policy Brief: Impact of COVID on Women

Revised COVID Policy and Programme Framework

22 Apr
SG’s Report on COVID & Human Rights

Launch of the UN-Habitat COVID-19 Response Plan and COVID-19 Campaign

10 Apr
Developed COVID-19 Response & Recovery for Sub-Saharan Africa

Published Ed-Op “Why leaders must plan for cleaner, safer cities”

11 Apr
Issued Donor Brief on Response to COVID

12 Apr
Approved UN-Habitat COVID-19 Emergency Fund for Rapid Response

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SG’s Policy Brief: The Impact of COVID-19 on older persons
Launched Urban Thinkers Campus COVID-19 Series
Conducted Interview with Foreign Policy Journal “How will the coronavirus pandemic permanently change urban life, the way we live in or organize our cities?”
Interviewed with Thomson Reuters Foundation on Rapid Response Plan & impact on informal settlements in Africa
WHAT UN-HABITAT HAS DONE: HIGHLIGHTS

Engagement & Leadership

Work with Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) to strengthen humanitarian assistance & Received $50,000 to support vulnerable urban communities in Lebanese cities

Invited to co-draft SG’s Policy Brief on Impact of COVID-19 on Cities with DESA, UNDP & UNEP

Contributed to UN Framework for Immediate Socioeconomic Response, particularly to section III on ‘Delivering Socio-economic Support Under Emergency Conditions’ & develop UN-H Policy and Programme Framework

Webinars with UCLG/World Enabled/WEF to enable experience sharing between Mayors, local governments and all stakeholders
WHAT UN-HABITAT HAS DONE: HIGHLIGHTS

Need for **Core-Funding** Support to Deliver Mandates

- UN-Habitat Mandates
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WHAT UN-HABITAT HAS DONE: HIGHLIGHTS

Immediate Response

USD 1.3 Million
Seed funding for scaling up projects in
13 Countries

Announced COVID-19 Key Messages

Overall Key Messages
On Informal Settlements
On Housing
On Transport
WHAT UN-HABITAT HAS DONE: HIGHLIGHTS

Policy and Programme Framework: Less but Better

Informal Settlements

Socioeconomic Impact

Our Focuses

Housing & Basic Service

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OUR AMBITION TO FURTHER COMBAT COVID-19

UN-Habitat COVID-19 Response Plan: 3 Main Focuses

Support local governments and community driven solutions in informal settlements

Provide urban data, mapping & knowledge for informed decision making

USD 72 Million in 64 Countries

Mitigate economic impact & initiate recovery
OUR AMBITION TO FURTHER COMBAT COVID-19

Country and Global Support

**Africa**
US$ 33.3 M, 20 countries

**Arab States**
US$ 17.5 M, 11 countries

**Asia Pacific**
US$ 10.4 M, 17 countries

**Latin America**
US$ 8.3 M, 16 countries

**Global Response**
US$ 2.4 M
OUR AMBITION TO FURTHER COMBAT COVID-19

Examples of work in Africa

• **Kenya** – support improved access to **water and sanitation** in informal settlements, **urban transport** and with civil society for integrated coordinated responses

• **Ethiopia** - help supply **water to waster pickers** in Addis Ababa, conduct **rapid mapping** of community assets, spaces and vulnerable hotspots to for appropriate responses in informal settlements

• **Somalia** - **medical supplies and personal protection equipment** to front line health workers, support Mogadishu **local authority response** to ensure essential services and mitigate economic impact on most vulnerable

1. Angola
2. Burkina Faso
3. Cabo Verde
4. Cameroon
5. DR Congo
6. Ethiopia
7. Gambia
8. Ghana
9. Guinea
10. Guinea-Bissau
11. Kenya
12. Mozambique
13. Nigeria
14. Sao Tome and Principe
15. Somalia
16. South Africa
17. South Sudan
18. Tanzania
19. Zambia
20. Zimbabwe
OUR AMBITION TO FURTHER COMBAT COVID-19

Examples of work in Arab States

- **Iraq** - improve **water, sanitation and hygiene**, shelter, job creation and public messaging. Online platform with other UN agencies with government endorsed information on COVID-19.

- **Tunisia** - *Leave No One Behind* mobile app as one-stop-shop information portal on COVID-19 for easy access to essential services

- **Egypt** - Use riverbank filtration technology to extend affordable access to clean water and sanitation to vulnerable communities

1. Egypt
2. Iraq
3. Jordan
4. Lebanon
5. Libya
6. Morocco
7. Palestine
8. Sudan
9. Syria
10. Tunisia
11. Yemen
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Examples of work in Asia & Pacific

• **Cambodia** — sanitation and hygiene and, communication and training for and behaviour change in communities on physical distancing, wearing masks

• **Sri Lanka** — support provincial councils and local authorities to establish service provision database, online discussions with local authorities, risk communication campaign

• **Myanmar** — public hand washing stations in key locations, work with community groups and small businesses distributing education and communication materials

1. Afghanistan
2. Cambodia
3. China
4. Fiji
5. India
6. Indonesia
7. Iran
8. Laos PDR
9. Mongolia
10. Myanmar
11. Nepal
12. Pakistan
13. Papua New Guinea
14. Philippines
15. Sri Lanka
16. Thailand
17. Vietnam
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Examples of work in Latin America and Caribbean

- **Central America** — support **eight countries** through **Central American Social Integration System** on COVID-19 mitigation measures to strengthen **socio-economic** and **health resilience**

- Scale up interventions in **Guatemala, Honduras** and **El Salvador** in informal settlements

1. Belize
2. Bolivia
3. Brazil
4. Colombia
5. Costa Rica
6. Cuba
7. Dominican Republic
8. El Salvador
9. Guatemala
10. Haiti
11. Honduras
12. Jamaica
13. Mexico
14. Nicaragua
15. Panama
16. Peru
# OUR AMBITION TO FURTHER COMBAT COVID-19

## UN-Habitat COVID-19 Response Plan: Breakdown of 72 Million

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<td>3. Mitigating economic impact and initiate recovery</td>
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<td>33,300,000</td>
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**How you can help**

1. **Financial contributions** towards the Response Plan
   - To COVID-19 Response Plan in general
   - To particular themes in COVID-19 Plan
   - To particular regions or countries in COVID-19 Plan

2. Allow UN-Habitat to repurpose existing contribution grants for COVID-19 priorities

**USD 2 million** kick-off funding received from the Alwaleed Foundation
# Our Ambition to Further Combat COVID-19

## COVID-19 Mobilizing Support

### UN-Habitat’s catalytic role | policy advice, capacity development, technical assistance, demonstrating and sharing solutions

Experience and value add UN focal point on urbanization, over 40 years accumulated knowledge, programmes in over 90 countries, work with vulnerable groups and informal settlements, expertise in urban planning, capacity development, urban data, crisis and recovery programmes, extensive networks of local governments urban professionals, community organizations.

#### Communicate
- **Messages sent to over 14,000 partners**
  - Working with **authority figures and influencers** to help mobilize support
  - Showing **Impact** using measurable results framework, data, testimonials, appreciation for support,
  - **Channels:** websites, social media, news media, targeted briefs, mail shots, appreciation letters, briefings

#### Advocacy
- **Corporate messages**, position papers on our website, op-eds
- COVID-19 Campaign, World Urban Campaign, partnership networks, World Cities Day, World Habitat Day

#### Response plan
- **240 project proposals to support 64 countries**
- **US$ 1.3 M UN-Habitat funds reprogrammed for COVID-19**
- **Donors and partners outreach Immediate responses:** webinars, WASH, mapping vulnerable hotspots, community mobilization

#### Response framework
- Local government and community driven solutions
- Urban data, mapping and knowledge for targeted responses
- Economic impact mitigation and response

#### Recovery priorities
- Strengthen basic services and infrastructure
- Mitigate economic impact
- Knowledge - lessons, impact, good practice
- Enhance policies, strategies for future resilience
- Measure impact using performance indicators

### Phases

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### Total 96 million

**Phase 1: Prepare and Prevent**
- **US$ 17 million**

**Phase 2: Respond**
- **US$ 55 million**

**Phase 3: Recover**
- **US$ 24 million**

### Funding sources
- UN Global humanitarian plan, COVID-19 MTPF, UNCT, HCT
- Governments
- Foundations
- Crowd funding

### Partner networks
- Local govt
- UN agencies
- Professionals
- Planners
- Researchers
- Grassroots
- Women
- Youth
- WUC

### DONORS BRIEFING UN-HABITAT COVID-19 RESPONSE PLAN

Please note that total figures will be revised over time as needs are further assessed and the global COVID situation evolves.

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Priorities in the Post-COVID World

1. Rethinking the state, re-organizing local governance mechanisms
2. Addressing the increase of poverty and the exacerbation of inequalities in cities
3. Rethinking urban morphology & typology, creating new evidence on density and compactness
4. Reducing the risk of failure of the current urban economy business model
Alignment with UN-Habitat Strategic Plan 2020-2023

A better quality of life for all in an urbanizing world

UN-Habitat promotes transformative change in cities and human settlements through knowledge, policy advice, technical assistance and collaborative action to leave no one and no place behind

Sustainable urbanization is advanced as a driver of development and peace, to improve living conditions for all in line with SDGs

**Objective Mission**

**Domains of Change**

**Outcomes (What)**

**Alignment with UN-Habitat Strategic Plan 2020-2023**

**Vision**

**Way-Forward**

**Reduced spatial inequality and poverty in communities across the urban - rural continuum**

- Increased and equal access to basic services, sustainable mobility and public space
  - CV-19: mitigation through wash, mobility and public space

- Increased and secure access to land and adequate and affordable housing
  - CV-19: progressive policies on evictions, homelessness, adequate housing

- Effective settlements growth and regeneration
  - CV-19: financing in slum upgrading / prevention + urban growth models

**Enhanced shared prosperity of cities and regions**

- Improved spatial connectivity and productivity
  - CV-19: rural urban linkages, food systems, productivity

- Increased and equitably distributed locally generated revenues
  - CV-19: regenerating municipal finance and facilitating increased investment in cities

**Strengthened climate action and improved urban environment**

- Reduced greenhouse gas emissions and improved air quality
  - CV-19: sustaining new practices to sustain improved air quality and healthy cities

- Improved resource efficiency and protection of ecological assets
  - CV-19: balancing urbanization with protection of bio-diversity and promoting healthy cities

- Effective adaptation of communities and infrastructure to climate change
  - CV-19: multi-hazard resilience for the urban poor

**Effective urban crisis prevention and response**

- Enhanced social integration and inclusive communities
  - CV-19: inclusion of most vulnerable communities in recovery

- Improved living standards and inclusion of migrants, refugees and internally displaced persons
  - CV-19: attention to specific vulnerabilities

- Enhanced resilience of the built environment and infrastructure
  - CV-19: multi-hazard resilience urban systems

Social inclusion issues: (1) Human rights, (2) Gender, (3) Children, youth and Older Persons, (4) Disability

Crosscutting thematic areas: (1) Resilience CV-19: building back better, (2) Safety, CV-19: mitigating increased violence
THANK YOU!

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