

## The UN Joint Programme on Urban and Rural Resilience in Syria (JP) is expediting implementation on the ground in Dara'a and Deir ez-Zor.

### What is the JP in Syria?

The UN Joint Programme on Urban and Rural Resilience in Syria (the JP) aims to strengthen the resilience of communities by translating the idea of a multi-sectoral, integrated and area-based approach into action towards greater impact and efficiency. The JP Syria is the only pooled, multi-donor and coordinated financing mechanism available for non-humanitarian action, offering an enabling platform to enhance synergies, coherence and efficiency through joint analysis, coherent planning and joined-up implementation. The JP builds on the comparative advantage of the six participating UN agencies—FAO, UNDP, UNFPA, UN Habitat, UNICEF and WFP—under the leadership of the UN Resident Coordinator to provide integrated responses to multifaceted resilience challenges in the country. The JP is underpinned by a commitment to collective programming toward resilience solutions, applying a tailored, area-based and context sensitive approach which facilitates an optimisation of community and stakeholders' participation. The programming decisions of the JP are informed by carefully designed consultations and workshops aiming to both build the capacities of communities to ensure meaningful engagement in participatory processes and also achieve transparent processes of arriving at agreed priority interventions.

With context sensitivity and risk management at the heart of the approach, the JP has delivered on its commitments through tested due diligence procedures. The JP has proven to be an effective and viable modality to deliver much-needed and area-based resilience support in a principled and pragmatic manner. The JP has also served as an effective platform to foster cross-agency and cross-sector learning, coherent planning and joined-up implementation to 'walk the talk' of the UN Development System reform.

### Results already achieved:

- ▶ Supporting over 3,000 school-age children through school rehabilitation, who are currently suffering from overcrowded classes and long commutes to school that expose them to safety risks, especially for students attending evening shifts; supporting over 16,000 out-of-school children including those with disabilities through remedial classes, non-formal education and back-to-learning campaigns.



- ▶ Providing thousands of citizens with safer access and connectivity to markets and public spaces through the installation of nearly 140 solar street lighting poles, and street/sidewalk rehabilitation, including providing safer access to nearly 5,000 students especially girls.



- 3 ► Creating about 960 temporary job opportunities through removal of 10,000 m<sup>3</sup> of solid waste and debris, also meaningfully contributing to mitigating environmental and public health risks.



- 4 ► Providing critical support to reviving about 100 local businesses/Small Medium Enterprises. Supporting the capacity building of over 3,000 women and youth to enhance livelihood opportunities and employability.



- 5 ► Supporting 1,000 women, through E-voucher, who are in dire need of nutrition support due to pregnancy and lactation to save and spend money on other critical items



- 6 ► Capacity building and training for 270 local community representatives to ensure that urban area-based recovery and neighbourhoods plans are developed and responsive to community needs.



- 7 ► Improving the livelihoods of nearly 18,000 farmers and live-stock keepers through rehabilitation of irrigation network and canals, as well as Green Belt wells.



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