# FLASH UPDATE • STORM DANIEL IN NORTHEASTERN LIBYA

## 12 September 2023



#### **BACKGROUND**

- On Sunday, 10 September 2023 storm Daniel made landfall in Libya causing severe weather conditions, including strong winds and sudden heavy rainfall affecting several northeastern areas of Libya (see map).
- Death toll is now estimated to be over 2,000 with at least 5,000 missing.
- Storm Daniel caused significant infrastructure damage, including the road network, and disrupted the telecommunications network.

## BENGHAZI

**RAPID NEEDS ASSESSMENT** 



## Methodology

• DTM interviewed 17 key informants in six communities (muhallas) in Benghazi to better understand the situation and the needs of the individuals displaced.

#### Needs identified

· Key informants identified food and nonfood items, such as mattresses and blankets as critical needs.

#### **Demographics**



Boys



Girls









#### Men

#### **ALBAYDA**

## 3,000 individuals displaced

- Families were displaced from the neighbourhoods of Al-Khenshaa, Al-Madinah Al-Riadiyah, Ajnien, Buhabib and Al-Ghariga.
- All households are reportedly hosted by relatives in safer neighbourhoods.
- · According to field reports, the hospital in Albayda is functioning at 80 per cent of its capacity.
- As of Monday, 11 September 2023, the road that enters the city from the south (Al-Ghariga Bayda road) was not accessible, but the roads to the west and east were functioning.
- Other roads within the town are mostly drained and accessible.
- Frequent power outages continue to occur.

## **DERNA**



#### At least 30,000 individuals displaced

- Derna is the most affected location with storm Daniel having led dams to burst and water to sweep through large areas of the city causing major devastation.
- · Obstructed, destroyed and flooded roads severely undermine access to humanitarian actors.
- There are seven entrances to the city, but only two are currently available from the south. The bridges over river Derna that connect the eastern part of the city to the west have collapsed.
- ·Widespread power outages and disruption to telecommunications network limit communication.
- A large number of migrants reportedly lived in a low-lying area adjacent to the valley, prompting fear that the floods may have destroyed many of their homes. The death of at least 250 Egyptians has been recorded.

## **AL MKHELEY**



## 1,000 individuals displaced

- An estimated 1,000 individuals (200 families) were displaced due to the storm.
- · The families displaced have reportedly moved back to their homes but all of them are inhabitable highlighting needs for shelter and NFIs.
- The roads to Al Mkheley are closed and the town is only accessible by the desert roads requiring desert vehicles.



