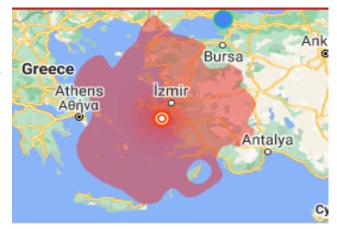


# RAPID ASSESSMENT REPORT

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## 1. Situation overview

A magnitude 6.6<sup>1</sup> earthquake struck the Southern Aegean Sea on 30 October at around 14:50 local time (11:50 GMT). In addition to Turkey, the earthquake has affected Bulgaria, Greece, and North Macedonia. In Turkey, the earthquake was felt in provinces as far as İstanbul, Bodrum, Muğla and Manisa. As of Saturday morning, The Disaster Management Agency Authority (AFAD) reports 51 dead and left at least 896 injured in the province of İzmir. İzmir Metropolitan Municipality stated that at least 17 residential buildings in the city had been destroyed in the tremor. Initial reports suggest many more, especially those in the poorer areas of Bornova and Bayrakli districts, may be may be too damaged to be safely inhabited. Additionally, the earthquake resulted in a partial tsunami in Seferihisar, where 1



Source: United States Geological Survey

injury and 1 death is reported. The Turkish government has declared an emergency in İzmir and restricted entrance to the city for all people except rescue and NGO teams.

## 2. Population data

Please find the figures about affected population due to earthquake in İzmir.

Source of information Total Number of Total Population - İzmir 4.367.251 Population office (2019) **Population of Bornova** 450.992 Population of Bayraklı 312.264 Population office (2019) **Population of Sefherihisar** 44.506 Population office (2019) **AFAD** Number of collapsed buildings 17 Number of heavily damaged 100 Estimation by authorities buildings **Number of causalities** 51 AFAD (by 13:00 local time, 01.10.2020) Number of injured 896 AFAD (by 13:00 local time, 01.10.2020)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on the announcement by The Disaster Management Agency Authority (AFAD), may be subject to revision.



## 3. Humanitarian and Protection needs, response, and gaps by sector

#### Shelter



temporary encampments established in Bornova Stadium (200 tents), Aşık Veysel Recreational Park (475 tents), Ege University Campus (120 tents) under AFAD and Izmir Metropolitan Municipality coordination. The responders by and large addressed immediate needs with regard to shelter through tent encampments, blankets, food items, hygiene items, and psychosocial support. In these organized tent encampments, no major service gaps are observed. However, by the evening of Saturday, 31 October, AFAD has announced that there as a need for additional blankets, and İzmir Metropolitan Municipality announced that there was a need for sleeping bags and camping mattresses.

In other areas, informal and smaller encampments are observed such as in Mevlana, Bayraklı and Manavkuyu neighbourhood. The smaller encampments in Bayraklı and Manavkuyu districts are organized by Izmir Metropolitan Municipality. AFAD, TRC and Municipality staff is covering the needs in these are. Also it is observed that local inhabitants and volunteers supply aid to these areas. These are less organized and local inhabitants either resorted to installing their own tents or tents were provided by the municipality. Families reported that they do not prefer sheltering in the larger encampments due to their distance from their homes, and their wish to remain in proximity to their personal belongings. Overall, affected people in informal encampments report that there is a need for more portable lavatories. It was observed that municipality had established 2 mobile toilets near these encampments but does not fully meet the needs.

## NFIs

It is observed that there is no NFI needs in the large temporary encampments. AFAD, Izmir Metropolitan Municipality, Ministry of Family, Labor and Social Policies, other local and metropolitan municipalities and NGOs such as TRC, IHH, Besir Association covers the needs in the encampments.

In the smaller encampments, it was observed that TRC distributed blankets and some volunteers distributed hygiene materials such as mask and disinfectant. However, some residents in the smaller encampments where are far from the most affected areas such as Mevlana neighborhood needs blanket and hygiene kits. As of the evening of 31 October, AFAD announced more blankets could be needed in the near future.

## Food Aid

For the time being, food item needs have been largely met by coordinated efforts of AFAD, TRC, Izmir Metropolitan municipality and other partners such as Bursa Metropolitan municipality, Mamak municipality, Cesme municipality, Besir Association etc. As of the evening of 31 October, AFAD announced food baskets could be needed in the following days.

#### • Health (including psycho-social support)

Medical Units and 112 emergency services operates regularly and there are no major gaps observed.



MoFLSS teams and TRC PSS teams meet with the residents to provide psycho-social support in the large temporary encampments and smaller encampments. Authorities mentioned that they do not need additional psychologists for the time being, however they keep a contact list of psychologists from NGOs in case they need more support.

# • WASH

In larger encampments Water, Sanitation and Hygiene needs are well addressed. However, in smaller encampments, affected people report to needing hygiene items specifically Covid-related PPE and disinfectants. Mobile toilets are also needed in these areas.

#### Education

The Ministry of National Education has announced that formal education is put on hold for one week. No specific needs regarding education are observed.

#### Protection

STL observed that the responders



addressed immediate needs with regard to shelter through tent encampments, non-food items, food items, hygiene items, and psychosocial support, in the large temporary encampments. Also, AFAD and TRC are identifying the individuals who has any vulnerability in the course of emplacement. Provincial Directorate of the Ministry of Family, Labor and Social Services (MoFLSS) is providing psychological first-aid in affected areas. There are mobile social service vehicles by MoFLSS in the large temporary encampments. In addition, MoFLSS and TRC teams are conducting field assessments to identify vulnerable individuals or groups.

As of October 2020, 147. 101 Syrian refugees live in Izmir under Temporary Protection. The ratio of Syrian population to the host community population is 3,37%. Also, 22.700 individuals with resident permit live in Izmir. The refugees mostly live in Buca (Gediz and Yıldız neighbourhoods), Bornova (Doganlar, Pinarbasi,



Isikkent and Mevlana neighbourhood) and Konak (Basmane). No destroyed buildings are reported in this area. No refugees were encountered during STL field assessment. UNHCR İzmir Unit also stated that areas where refugees live were not affected badly and they keep tracking the needs of refugees.

An important safety risk is that in some cases, damaged buildings are only identified after being reported by the residents themselves. Some families report that, for the time being, they deliberately abstained from reporting damage in order to be able to enter their buildings and access their personal belongings.



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