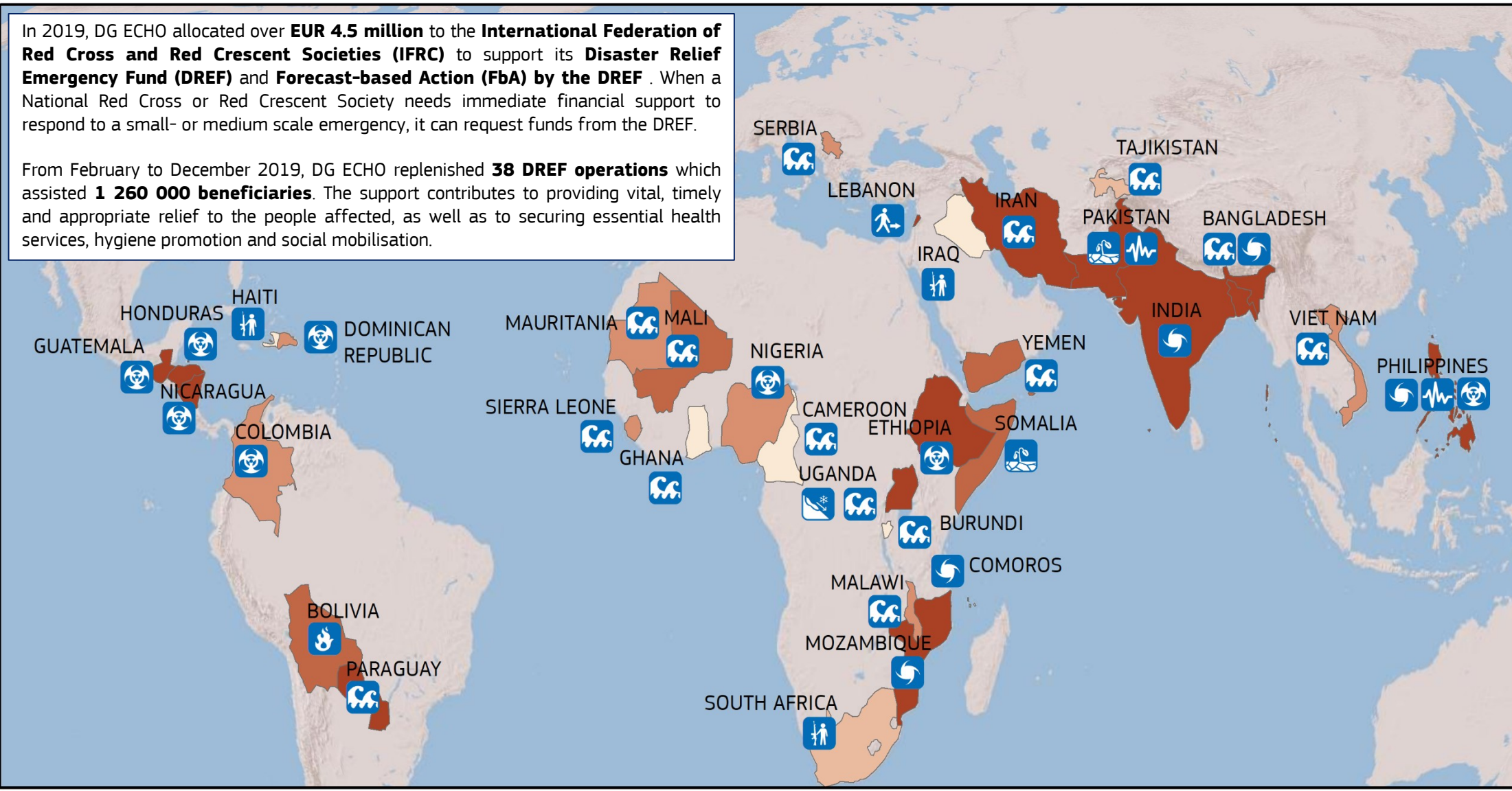




In 2019, DG ECHO allocated over **EUR 4.5 million** to the **International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)** to support its **Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF)** and **Forecast-based Action (FbA) by the DREF**. When a National Red Cross or Red Crescent Society needs immediate financial support to respond to a small- or medium scale emergency, it can request funds from the DREF.

From February to December 2019, DG ECHO replenished **38 DREF operations** which assisted **1 260 000 beneficiaries**. The support contributes to providing vital, timely and appropriate relief to the people affected, as well as to securing essential health services, hygiene promotion and social mobilisation.



- Disaster**
- Floods
 - Civil unrest
 - Drought
 - Earthquake
 - Epidemic
 - Forest Fires
 - Landslide
 - Population movement
 - Tropical Cyclone

