27 February 2015: World Events



26 February, 21.59 UTC

Magnitude: 5.4 M

Spain - Floods

· Snowmelt is causing the increase of river levels in north-eastern Spain, including Navarra, Aragon and Basque Country, with one fatality in Navarra, as of 26 February. The Spanish CP has issued alerts for river increase and floods and has activated the Copernicus EMS.

(Spanish CP, SAIH, AEMet, Local Media, Copernicus EMS)

Svria - Conflict

- Fighting continues between ISIL and Kurdish forces, displacing 1 000 families that took refuge in Al Hassakeh and Oamishli.
- In Aleppo and Dar'a, water and electricity have been denied to over 2 million people, while only 304 out of 212 000 people in besieged areas received food assistance in January. In Ragga and Deir ez-Zor, 600 000 people have not received food assistance since December 2014.
- · Efforts continue to ensure provision of relief assistance throughout the country. (ECHO, UN, NGOs)

Pakistan - Earthquake

 An earthquake of magnitude 5.4 M occurred in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on 26 February. The epicentre was located near the border of Battagram and Manshehra districts. Over 3.6 million people were exposed to Light shaking (USGS PAGER). Tremors were felt around Islamabad and parts of Khyber Paktunkhwa, while 15 people were injured and a number of mud houses collapsed, according to media.

(ECHO, GDACS, USGS, PMD, Local Media)

Pakistan - Severe weather

- Heavy rainfall affected Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) over 24-25 February. Six people died and houses, transportation and electricity networks were damaged.
- · Isolated rainfall is forecast for north-western Pakistan on 27 February.

(WMO, PMD, Local Media)



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Depth: 29 km Badakhshan Nurestan Panishir Laghman 2 Khyber ₿amian ⁄ Pakhtunkhwa Nangrahar Afghanistan **F**ederally Administered Tribal Areas Pakistan.

Affected countries

Floods

Severe weather

Population displacement

Conflict

Snow avalanche

Snowfall

Conflict

Heavy rainfall

Earthquake

River overflow

Population displacement

Chad Mayo-Nigeria Kébbi-Est

Chad - Population displacement

 Over 1 300 people, including Nigerians, Cameroonians and Chadian returnees, arrived in Mayo-Kebbi East, fleeing Boko Haram attacks in Nigeria. The situation is currently under assessment.

Iraq - Conflict

- More than 2.4 million people are displaced throughout Iraq. The Governorates of Baghdad, Kirkuk and Divala have witnessed the largest waves of displacement in recent weeks. In al-Anbar, Ninewa, Salah Al-Din, Diyala and Kirkuk, civilians have virtually no access to basic services and assistance reaches them only sporadically.
- The protection of Christians and Sunni Arabs in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq is also a serious concern. (ECHO, IOM, NGOs)

Afghanistan - Severe weather

 The death toll due to the recent snow avalanches is standing at 209 as of 26 February and continues increasing. Worst affected is central Panishir. NOAA forecasts mostly dry weather for the country over 27 February - 5 March. (NOAA, Media 1, 2, 3)

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