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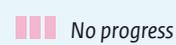
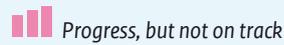
## Overview of main development results in 2015

### Context

Conflict is undermining development progress. In 2015 Yemen descended into chaos and widespread armed conflict, leading to deadly violence on a large scale and a deteriorating humanitarian situation. Yemen is now classified by the United Nations as a Level 3 emergency - the most severe, large-scale humanitarian crisis. The Netherlands has provided support to the office of the UN Special Envoy for Yemen, contributing directly to ongoing efforts to reach a political solution and promote peace in the country. A substantial

contribution has also been made to the leading humanitarian organisations working in Yemen to meet urgent humanitarian needs. While the outbreak of civil war severely hampered their efforts, humanitarian partner organisations have still managed to achieve extraordinary and unexpected results. The Netherlands is one of the leading donors to Yemen and will continue to support the country in difficult times.

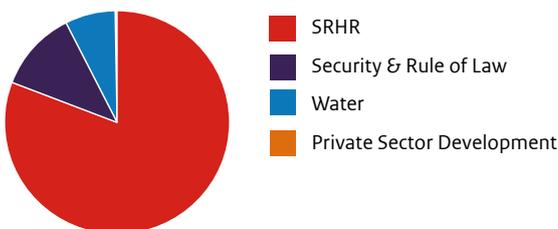
### Developments in Yemen



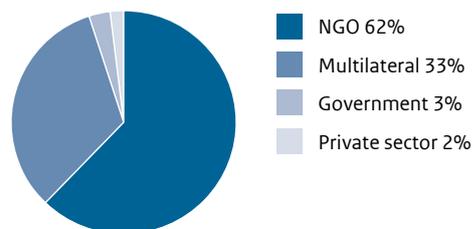
-  Improved access to modern contraceptive methods for all women aged between 15 and 49
-  A higher proportion of births attended by skilled health personnel
-  A water basin management plan for every water basin in the country
-  Access to water facilities for a higher percentage of the rural population
-  More women participating in political decision-making
-  More inclusive political dialogue for all

### Expenditures 2015 per theme

Total expenditure Embassy € 5.766.625



### Expenditures 2015 per channel



*"If we want stability in Yemen, we have to establish an equilibrium; we have to include everyone."*

- Wameedh Shakir, human rights activist

## Key results of the embassy in Yemen



### Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

- 107,335 couples were reached by the programme to raise Couple Years of Protection.
- 178 medical staff have been trained and have graduated in emergency obstetric and neonatal care.



### Water

- A database platform on irrigation has been developed (with nationwide data on available water resources). Results for 2015 are not available due to the war.
- The water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) team has targeted 124,130 people. It is not possible to report on the number of people reached, since the rate of programme implementation varies from 16% to 92%.



### Security & Rule of Law

- Efforts have been made to allow Yemeni women to strategise, find common ground and prepare to play an active role in peace negotiations.
- Serious concerns have been expressed over increased violations of human rights and humanitarian law. Prison staff have been trained and medical services have been upgraded for female prisoners and children living with them in prison. Human rights violations are being documented in the interests of future prosecution.

## Interpretation of the results in context

It is extremely difficult to obtain accurate data in countries affected by conflict. No new data has become available since the conflict started. Results will inevitably have fallen short of expectations, while ongoing efforts have been severely hampered by the outbreak of civil war. The ministry's Stabilisation and Humanitarian

Aid Department has made a substantial contribution to the leading humanitarian organisations in Yemen in response to urgent humanitarian needs, providing people affected by conflict and forced displacement with shelter, food and access to clean water, sanitation and healthcare.

## Glimpse into the future

The embassy will scale up its diplomatic and financial efforts in Yemen in support of an inclusive peace process. It will seek to support efforts to include Yemeni women in making and building peace (UNSCR 1325). The embassy will continue to support reproductive health programmes to prevent and respond to

gender-based violence and support access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation to meet humanitarian needs in times of conflict. The continuation of these efforts will also serve as a stepping stone to improve harmonisation between relief, recovery and development.