Youth in Emergencies
Protecting rights, Promoting resilience

UNFPA’s Humanitarian Response
Promoting rights & resilience

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- Mobilizing youth for network building
- Youth engagement in advocacy
- Concrete contribution
Focus on immediate needs

- **Meeting hygiene needs**
  Gender sensitive hygiene kits, developed based on inputs from youth & adolescent girls, are distributed, including to youth in the underserved areas.

- **Creating youth friendly space (YFS)**
  YFS is a safe place to access information on services & assistance, build rights-health-equality awareness, learn new skills, join youth network, organize youth activities and participate in decision making process.

- **Ensuring immediate access to ReproHealth care, psychosocial support & protection**
  To access ReproHealth, psychosocial support & protection, youth can contact peer supports at YFS or go directly to the ReproHealth clinic/tent or the women friendly space (WFS). In major disasters, these facilities are set up close to each other.
Empowerment to address youth issues

- **Raising awareness on rights, gender & equality**

  Awareness changes behaviors. With sound awareness, youth can **exercise their rights & make informed, responsible decisions** to protect their wellbeing, interact with others and seize opportunities for their future.

- **Developing skills for youth programmes & advocacy**

  Youth have the ability to identify their vulnerabilities in IDPs camps, ideas for solutions, formulate recommendations and design programmes. Writing, video making, song writing and photography are among useful skills to advocate youth rights.
Youth in action: channeling ideas & resourcefulness for youth rights

- **Mobilizing youth for network building**
  
  Youth are facilitated to connect & network with other youth, share ideas to address challenges, organize youth volunteerism to leverage youth initiatives & advocacy on youth rights, health & engagement.

- **Youth engagement in decision making**
  
  Empowered youth can seize advocacy opportunities to voice initiatives and engage in decision making for youth friendly camp management, rehabilitation-reconstruction phase and beyond.
Youth concrete contributions

- Advocacy for youth friendly IDPs camps, temporary settlements & development
- Establishment of Youth Forum & strengthening of youth network
- Youth recommendations to address youth vulnerabilities, incl. Adolescent Reproductive Health & personal hygiene
- Advocacy of youth issues and rights through photos, video documentaries and mini album of youth songs.
- Various youth activities & events, i.e awareness sessions, radio talkshow, sport competitions, discussions, counseling & skills training were conducted