



UNHCR INDIA
WINTERIZATION ASSISTANCE
2021

Background

UNHCR has been on the front line, providing timely winterization support to vulnerable families to increase their preparedness for, and fulfil their basic needs during the winter.

There are over 43,157 refugees and asylum-seekers living in India. UNHCR estimates that at least 17,562 people need timely and substantial help to properly prepare for the forthcoming winter.

For many, this was the second consecutive winter facing even greater hardships due to the COVID-19 pandemic and its socio-economic impact. Our winterization programme covers the period from November 2021 to January 2022.



“With winters approaching, I couldn’t buy the blanket for my family. This will keep me and my family warm. We also received food assistance which will boost the nutrition of my family. I have many words to thank, but I could not express it all with by my words.”

Ming Meuh
Chin Refugee from Myanmar

Distribution of core essentials and winterization items in Delhi. © UNHCR/Zonunmawia

UNHCR's winterization strategy focuses on three broad areas of intervention



Provision of seasonal cash assistance for vulnerable families to meet their additional needs during winter months



Provision of core relief items specific to winter such as winter clothes, blankets, plastic sheets



Winterization of shelter including shelter weatherproofing, repairs and improvements to other infrastructure in refugee communities

UNHCR during the distribution prioritized the needs of the most vulnerable people, including those who are elderly, persons with disabilities, women-headed households, and families with children. The winterization programme is implemented through UNHCR's staff, partners, NGOs, and community outreach volunteers.



"I feel so happy to see my children sleep peacefully in the warmth of the blanket."

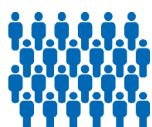
Senuara
Rohingya refugee from Myanmar

Senuara, a Rohingya refugee from Myanmar receives winterization assistance in Jaipur.
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Delivering vital supplies to refugees and asylum-seekers in India:



7 states in India where winterization assistance was provided



11,978 refugees and asylum-seekers assisted



15 refugee leaders from 8 communities facilitated the distributions adhering to the COVID-19 protocols

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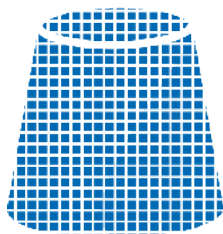
10,570



distributed and life saving food assistance to **840** elderly refugees and asylum-seekers

MOSQUITO NETS

1,872 families



assisted with winter kits comprising of winter mats, mosquito nets, woollen clothes and other essentials.



NOV 2021- JAN 2022

From the onset of winter in Northern India, we have been delivering timely core winterization items



An Afghan asylum-seeker receives blankets to brave through the cold winter. © UNHCR/Wahidullah

As North India continues to brave one of its harshest winters, refugees and asylum-seekers face an ongoing struggle to keep warm. This will be the second winter since COVID-19 for Afghan refugee, Suraya Akbari.

“This month has been very cold, and I live with my ten-year-old daughter who needs protection from the winter to stay healthy,” said the 46-year-old Suraya.

As the temperatures plunged, UNHCR and its partners distributed winterization assistance across four

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