



One Health Rapid Response Teams (OHRRT) Training

Project Information

- ◆ Department: PHEMC
- ◆ Unit: One Health/PHEMC

OBJECTIVES

This project aims to improve operational readiness, emergency preparedness, and coordinated outbreak response under an all-hazard One Health framework.

BENEFICIARIES

40 multidisciplinary participants across the human, animal, and environmental health sectors

REGIONS OF WORK

Different governorates in Yemen

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

A dual-component program that begins with a capacity assessment of existing infrastructure, followed by an intensive 5-day All-Hazard RRT Training Workshop for multidisciplinary participants, culminating in a full-scale zoonotic outbreak simulation exercise.

PROJECT PHASES

This project consists of three main phases:

1. **Capacity Assessment:** A 3-day workshop using the CDC Emergency Preparedness and Response Capacity Assessment Tool (CAT) to map gaps and build a national workplan.
2. **Curriculum Adaptation:** Adapt the advanced WHO/CDC RRT training package to incorporate a One Health approach and contextualize it to Yemen's specific situation and hazard profile.
3. **Training & Simulation:** Deliver a five-day workshop focused on multidisciplinary RRT operational response under a One Health approach, including an operational rapid response skill-drill simulation exercise.

Project Start and End Date	May 2026 – January 2027
Partner Organizations	MoPHP, MoAIF, MoWE
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Currently . . .

Half of Yemen’s public health hazards—including dengue, cholera, MERS-CoV, and Rift Valley fever; are rooted at the human-animal interface, yet emergency responses remain slow and siloed. This stream establishes unified operational readiness protocols and rapid joint deployment capabilities to contain outbreaks before they scale into national emergencies. At this stage, diagnosing is ongoing for the baseline for national emergency readiness in the face of persistent exposure to epidemic threats. Technical focal points are evaluating current structural, logistical, and communication gaps to ensure upcoming deployment frameworks address actual operational deficits during humanitarian emergencies.

What’s next . . .

Afterwards, the efforts will target translating diagnostic gaps into a unified national roadmap and coordinated field response capability. This involves aligning emergency protocols across sectors through multi-disciplinary inter-ministerial deployment readiness through an intense, zoonotic outbreak simulation; ultimately securing rapid, real-time response operational readiness under a comprehensive One Health framework.

By the Numbers

40 Multidisciplinary rapid response professionals trained for field deployment.

3 Days dedicated to an exhaustive Emergency Preparedness and Response Capacity Assessment.

5 Days of advanced all-hazard training focusing on multidisciplinary Rapid Response to Public Health Events. This includes a skill-drill simulation exercise validating real-time operational coordination.

GHD|EMPHNET Information: Global Health Development (GHD) Eastern Mediterranean Public Health Network (EMPHNET) works at achieving its mission by responding to public health needs with deliberate efforts that allow for health promotion and disease prevention.

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