

# IDP PROTECTION ASSESSMENT REPORT (IDPPAR)

## Forced Displacement in Al-Barka Municipality, Basilan Province

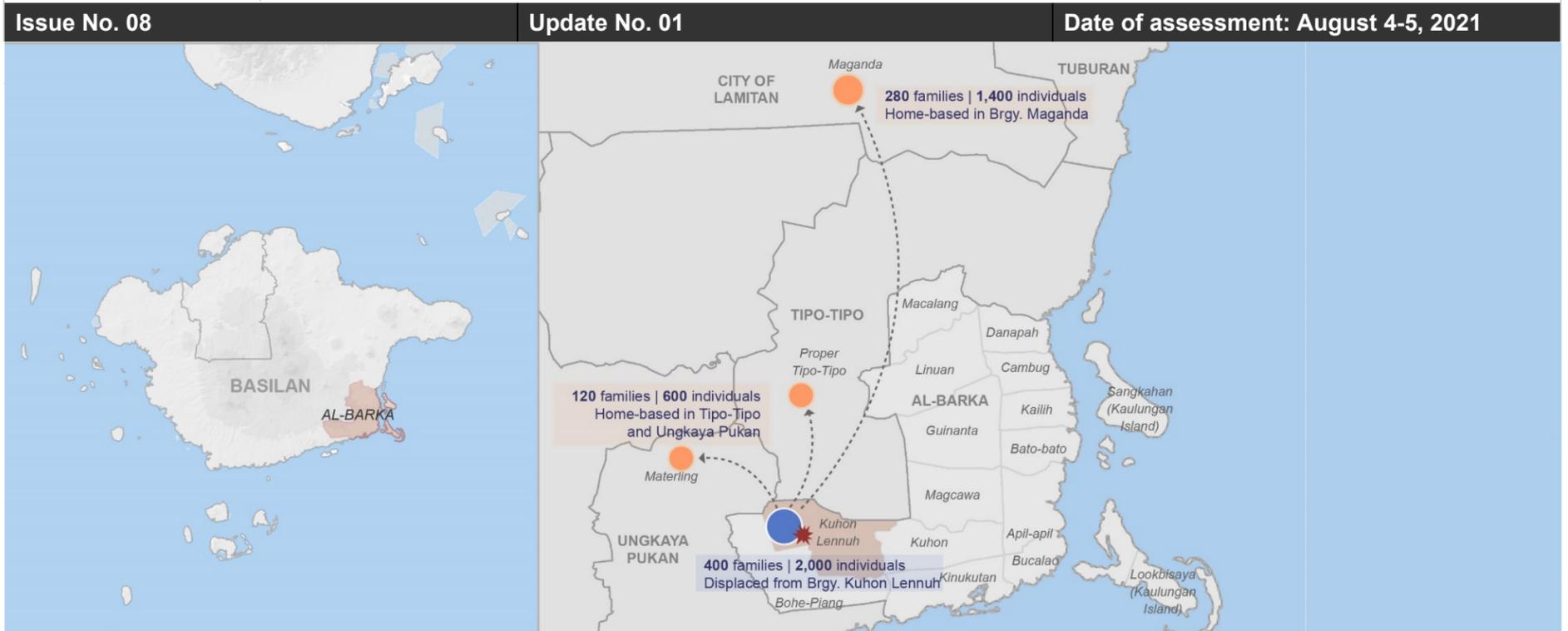
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UNHCR exists to protect and assist everyone who has been affected by forced displacement in Mindanao. To coordinate assistance to IDPs, we use a cluster approach. UNHCR works closely with the government and Mindanao Humanitarian Team to identify needs of IDPs in areas of assistance, such as shelter, health care, and protection. We assume a coordination and operational delivery role in IDP situations to ensure protection is central to our work in order to prevent further displacement.

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<b>DATE OF DISPLACEMENT:</b> 03/08/2021	<b>TIME OF DISPLACEMENT:</b> 04:25pm	<b>GPS COORDINATES (If available):</b> N/A
<b>BARANGAY:</b> Kuhon Lennuh	<b>MUNICIPALITY:</b> Al-Barka	<b>PROVINCE:</b> Basilan
<b>TYPE OF DISPLACEMENT:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>New</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Recurrent</b>   Please refer to issue #		
<b>REASON FOR DISPLACEMENT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>NATURAL DISASTER</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>ARMED CONFLICT</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>VIOLENCE</b>	
	Please specify: Crime & violence	



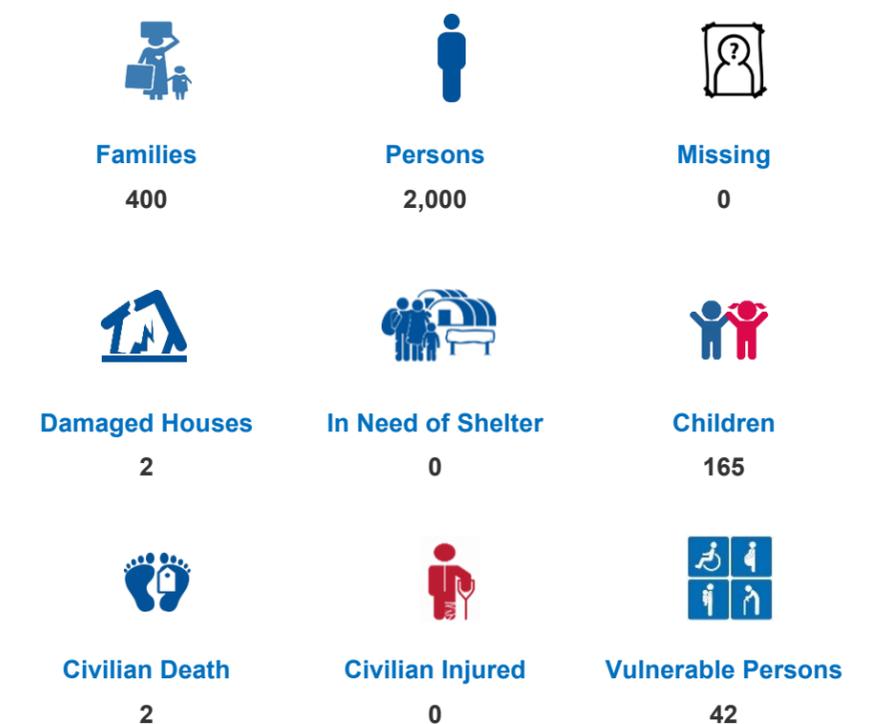
### INCIDENT BACKGROUND

On 3 August 2021, the personal bodyguard of the Local Chief Executive was shot dead in Brgy. Kuhon Lennuh in Al-Barka municipality for unknown reason. The incident caused the displacement of around 400 families (approximately 2,000 individuals), fearing for possible escalation as they believe that the relatives of the killed person might retaliate. The displaced families sought temporary refuge in the homes of their relatives and they are currently dispersed in the nearby areas of Tipo-tipo, Ungkaya Pukan, and Lamitan City.

### INCIDENT KEY FIGURES

### CURRENT SITUATION

On 5 August 2021, The Municipal Social Welfare Officer of Al-Barka Municipality conducted an assessment on the protection needs of the affected populations. Also, the local government sought the assistance of the Municipal Peace and Order Council (MPOC), as well as the Ministry of Interior and Local Government (MILG) of the BARMM, to intervene in the settlement of the killing incident.





## PROTECTION ISSUES AND RESPONSE

### I. THREAT TO LIFE, SAFETY AND SECURITY

Protection assessment considers the various threats to life, safety and security of displaced persons stemming from crime, violence, armed conflict or nature disaster.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
1	The IDP expressed fear of potential retaliation from the family of the victim which will exacerbate the situation.	The Barangay/Municipal Local Government Unit (B/MLGU) have coordinated with the concerned agencies and top government officials for a peaceful resolution of the incident.	There is no other significant concern on the needs and remaining gaps of IDPs in terms of their threat to life, safety and security.

### II. SHELTER

 Meet the need for roofing and other materials from local sources if possible

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
2	Given that the displaced families are currently being sheltered by relatives, the foremost concerns are privacy and inability to practice social distancing and other health protocols.	The Municipal Social Welfare Office (MSWO) has conducted assessment to determine other needs of the IDPs. Further, the request for augmentation of shelter assistance has been submitted to the provincial and regional office.	Given that the displaced families are currently being sheltered by relatives, the foremost concerns are privacy and inability to practice social distancing and other health protocols.

### III. FOOD AND NUTRITION

 Ensure that IDPs receive a minimum basic food ration.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
3	Some IDPs expressed concerns on potential shortage of food for daily needs if displacement is prolonged.	The B/MLGU, MWSO has submitted a request letter to the MSSD-BARMM for augmentation of food assistance.	Some IDPs expressed concerns on potential shortage of food for daily needs if displacement is prolonged.

### IV. WASH

 Ensure sanitary facilities such as showers, toilets and washing areas are in place.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
	There is no significant concern raised.	There is no significant concern raised.	There is no significant concern raised.

### V. EDUCATION

 Particular attention must be placed on the risks faced by adolescent girls, such as lack of access to education.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
4	The principal of Kuhon Lennuh elementary school temporarily suspended the submission of the school modules for safety reasons.	The Parents and Teachers' Association of Kuhon Lennuh elementary school agreed that submission of the modules will be done in nearby Barangay Magcawa to ensure safety of individuals.	There is no other significant concern raised.

### VI. HOUSING, LAND AND PROPERTY (HLP)

 Report any HLP related issues.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
5	Some IDPs expressed concern regarding their fishing equipment that they left behind in Brgy. Kuhon Lennuh fish landing area.	The BLGU conducted an assessment and inventory of the fishing equipment for documentation and safeguarding purposes.	BLGU to ensure safety of the houses and properties left by the IDPs. There shall be a proper documentation in case of loss or damage to properties.

### VII. HEALTH

 Ensure that IDPs have access to health facilities.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
	There is no significant concern raised.	There is no significant concern raised.	There is no significant concern raised.

### VIII. Vulnerable Persons

 Particular attention should be given to persons with specific needs and vulnerable groups.

#	ISSUES	RESPONSE	IDENTIFIED NEEDS AND REMAINING GAPS
6	There is no disaggregated data on the People with Disabilities (PWD) and other vulnerable individuals.	No assessment conducted to determine number of PWD and other vulnerable individuals.	There is no significant concern raised.

### IX. Core relief items (CRIs)

 Particular attention should be given to vulnerable persons in need of core relief items.

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	There is no significant concern raised.	There is no significant concern raised.	There is no significant concern raised.



## PROTECTION ISSUES AND RESPONSE

### PERSONS OF CONCERN (Breakdown by Location)

Location (Origin)								Location (Current)				
No. of Families	+/-	No. of Persons	+/-	Province	Mun	Barangay	Sitio	Province	Mun	Barangay	Sitio	Exact Location
280		1,400		Basilan	Albarka	Kuhon Lennuh	Lakit	Basilan	Lamitan City	Maganda	Purok 1	Home-based
120		600		Basilan	Albarka	Kuhon Lennuh	Taysan	Basilan	Tipo-Tipo	Proper	Proper Tipo-Tipo	Home-based
								Basilan	Ungkaya Pukan	Materling	Proper Materlin	Home-based

### DURABLE SOLUTIONS (Breakdown by Location)

Location (Displaced)							Location (Current)						type(please select one)		
No. of Families	+/-	No. of Persons	+/-	Province	Mun	Barangay	Province	Mun	Barangay	Returned	Relocation	Local Integration			
										✓	✓	✓			

NEEDS ANALYSIS	Remarks
<b>PROTECTION</b>	Strong intervention from MPOC and other local actors for the peaceful resolution of the shooting incident to avoid retaliation, and to facilitate immediate return of the displaced families.
<b>FOOD</b>	Food augmentation from other partners, in addition to the efforts of the B/MLGU to address daily needs of the IDPs, while B/MLGU is resolving the matter.
<b>HEALTH</b>	B/MLGU, MSWO to provide hygiene kits which include face mask, face shield to avoid contracting the COVID-19.

### SOURCES

Municipal Local Government Unit (MLGU) of Al-Barka municipality.  
 Municipal Social Welfare Officer (MSWO) of A-Barka Municipality  
 Barangay Local Government Unit (BLGU) of Kuhon Lennuh  
 Inter-Island Protection Action Response Team (i-PART)  
 Tiyakap Kalilintad Inc.

### ACTIVITY PHOTOS



Houses left by IDPs in Brgy. Kuhon Lennuh.



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Fish storage equipment left behind by the displaced families

## IDP ASSESSMENT REPORT

The IDP Protection Assessment Form aims to provide a starting point for information and analysis that can help humanitarian agencies, policy makers and other stakeholders concerning instances of forced displacement or solutions (repatriation, resettlement, integration). The number of people displaced/affected may differ from the number in need of humanitarian assistance. To the extent possible, the terminology used in the Dashboard reflects the *UN Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement* and other sources of international law and practice. The information reported in the IDP Protection Assessment Forms has been received from members of the Protection Cluster across Mindanao. Consequently, unreported cases of forced displacement and solutions are not reflected. Updates will be provided as and when more information is received from members. Although efforts are made to verify the data, the Protection Cluster takes no responsibility for the incompleteness or inaccuracy of the information. At the end of every month, this data is compiled and distributed through the '**Protection Dashboard**'. The information provided in this IDP Assessment Report does not necessarily reflect the views of UNHCR or any individual member of the Protection Cluster.

## MINDANAO VIRTUAL PROTECTION COORDINATION PLATFORM (MVPCP)

In the present circumstances where no limited physical access to IDPs is possible, and humanitarian actors are adjusting response using alternative modalities to access people in need including relying on social media, phones and other online communication tools to maintain regular communication with protection monitors within IDP community, as well as host communities, Mindanao Virtual Protection Coordination Platform (MVPCP) will strengthen coordination among relevant actors with a protection role (from regional and provincial down to municipal and community level) in Mindanao

Under the leadership of Ministry of Social Services and Development (MSSD) and with full participation of key state agencies: DSWD, BARMM READI and IATF, members of MVPCP will work closely to ensure that COVID-19 related prevention and response initiatives at the national level include IDPs, while at the same time closely monitoring their application to ensure that IDPs have access to basic services. Members of the MVPCP will work closely to ensure timely prevention of and response to protection issues in Mindanao including BARMM region and facilitate timely information-sharing with the IDP community on health measures in response to COVID-19.

## WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

UNHCR works in partnership with government entities, INGOs, NGOs, CSOs, and UN Agencies, and other organizations. Its primary role is to share information on protection risks and needs and to facilitate coordinated intervention among the various actors involved in IDP protection. UNHCR has project partnership with CFSI, CHR, ACCORD, MMI, KI, TKI, ACTED and IRDT covering Mindanao island including BARMM region. In addition to its project partnership, UNHCR works closely with local authorities and Mindanao Humanitarian Actors including: UNICEF | IOM | OCHA | UNDP | UNFPA | UNHABITAT | WFP | WHO | OXFAM | ACTION AGAINST HUNGER | CARE | UNWOMEN | ICRC | SAVE THE CHILDREN | KFPDI | PRC

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