



## Emergency Manager's Weekly Report Turkish Invasion of Northeastern Syria Situation Report #1 (October 14<sup>th</sup>)

### Highlights:

- As of today (October 14<sup>th</sup>) airstrikes, heavy artillery and ground incursions continued in multiple locations as the Turkish military operation in northeast Syria entered its sixth day.
- Currently, at least 160,000 people are estimated to have been displaced.
- On October 13<sup>th</sup> Turkish Armed Forces captured Tell Abiad city and fighting continued in Ras al-Ain city, north and northeast of both Ar-Raqqa city and Ein Issa town.
- Turkish military units are moving closer to Tal Tamr, which is hosting 3,600 displaced families.
- Parts of the M4 highway are now reportedly under Turkish control, the United Nations and its partners are exploring different options to keep the supply line of humanitarian goods open.
- Civilian infrastructure has been hit, including medical services. Two incidents of ambulance targeting have been reported and power lines have been cut to a water station serving 400,000 people.
- Humanitarian organizations continue to provide life-saving assistance in existing displacement camps (except Mabruka due to insecurity) and the most populated camps such as Areesh and Al Hol. Efforts are also underway to assist displaced people in the new collective shelters established in Al-Hasakeh, Tal Tamer and Ar-Raqqa.
- Grave concerns remain for camp residents at Ein Issa displacement camp as hostilities and shelling in the vicinity of the camp has continued.
- The United States announced the planned withdrawal of all its troops from northeast Syria on October 13<sup>th</sup>. The announcement of an agreement between the Kurdish Self-Administration and the Government of Syria followed shortly after.
- The UN Secretary-General calls for immediate de-escalation and urges all parties to resolve their concerns through peaceful means.

### Sources:

- [Situation update](#) on north-east Syria
- Syria | [Flash Update #5](#), Humanitarian impact of the military operation in north-eastern Syria, 14 October 2019
- [Calling for Immediate De-escalation in North-East Syria, Secretary-General Urges Parties to Show Restraint, Protect Civilians](#)
- Syria - Conflict (DG ECHO) ([ECHO Daily Flash of 14 October 2019](#))