

Afghanistan one year on



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Monday, August 15 marked one year since the new government took power in Afghanistan.

Islamic Relief spokespeople are available for comment in Afghanistan.

When the US and UK withdrew their troops last August, 75 per cent of the country's GDP came from international aid and that supply of money was turned off overnight. Combined with global financial sanctions, an economic crisis ravaged the country.

Islamic Relief is calling on the financial restrictions to be lifted to avoid yet another year of a humanitarian catastrophe.

24.4 million people (almost 60% of the population) now need humanitarian aid – an increase of 30% in the past year. A shocking 97% of people are expected to be in poverty by the end of the year and 19.7 million people are regularly going hungry – the highest number in the world.

Islamic Relief staff in Afghanistan were available to speak about the humanitarian situation on Monday 15 August with case studies.

For any questions or to request to interview one of our spokespeople, please contact:

Islamic Relief started working in Afghanistan in 1992, and we set up our first permanent office in 2001 in response to the conflict.

We have worked in a number of areas, from food provision (working with the UN's World Food Programme) and water and sanitation to education and orphan support and seasonal programmes like Ramadan and Qurbani distributions.

Islamic Relief is a faith-inspired, development and humanitarian agency working to transform and save the lives of some of the most vulnerable people in over 40 countries. Islamic Relief assists people according to need and does not discriminate in any way.

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