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THE STATE OF THE HUMANITARIAN
SYSTEM 2026

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This report is one of a series of country case studies in Afghanistan, the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Myanmar, Palestine, Poland and Ukraine, and Sudan to supplement **The State of the Humanitarian System 2026**. While distinct from the global SOHS report, these outputs draw on the same country-level data, with a specific focus on national findings. They are intended to inform national and regional audiences and stakeholders, and to contribute to context-specific discussions on the humanitarian system.

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