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 **Venue of the story**

Gohza area, Sa'adah district, Sa'adah governorate, Yemen

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Yemen's collapsing healthcare system is projected to result in 1,000 maternal deaths per 68,000 pregnant women at risk. Gender based violence has also increased by over 17 percent since the onset of conflict. In addition, the degrading health care system has resulted in vulnerability to and emergence of diseases that can generally be cured or eradicated elsewhere in the world.



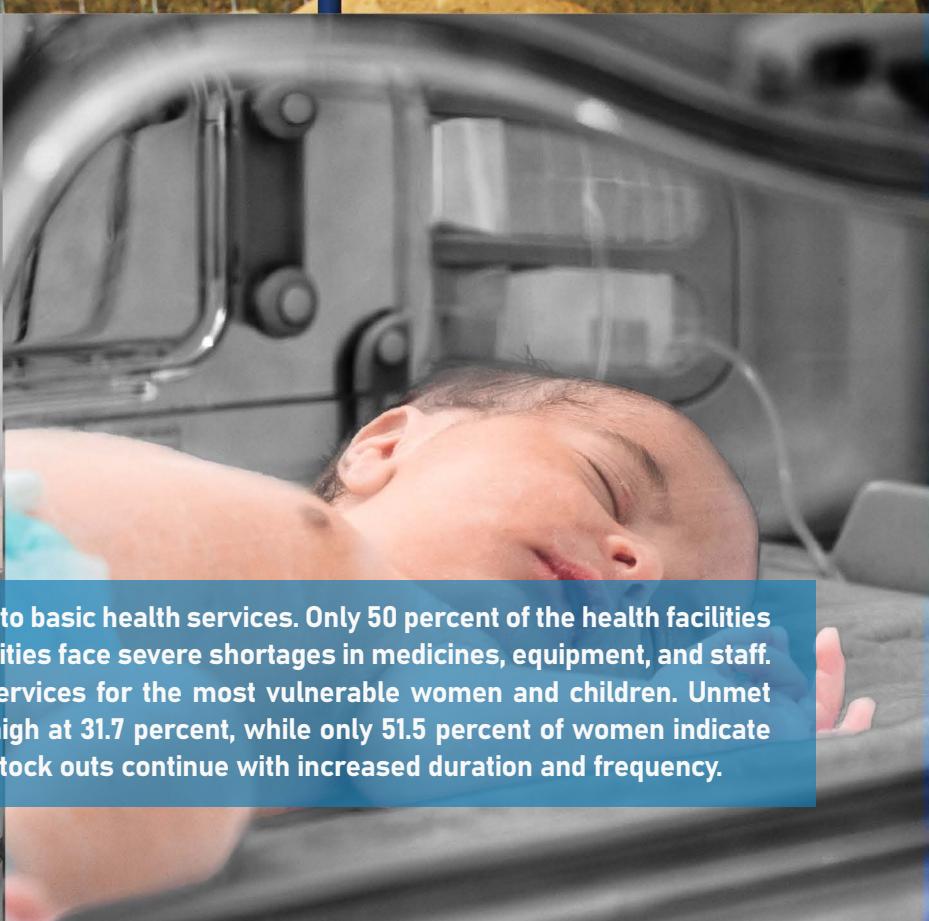
In response of the situation YFCA has launched the expansion of the emergency maternal and obstetric care unit in the Maternity and Childhood Hospital, Gohza area, Sa'adah district, Sa'adah governorate to help decreasing those numbers, generously funded by the UNFPA

The expansion works of the project incorporated the construction of a two-floor building: the first floor made up of general and specialty clinics (outpatients); while the second floor includes administrative & auxiliary offices, in addition to a training auditorium.

This unit will serve approximately 1,200,000 people, who are residents of the governorate; since this is the only facility of its kind in the governorate.

"We are extremely excited with this new facility which is a quite accessible by most of the citizens of the [city]. Our township needs more similar healthcare facilities to meet the demand for the maternity and childhood healthcare services. Hopefully this facility won't stock out and donor agencies will keep their [programs] on!" a female healthcare professional in the hospital stated.

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In Yemen, 19.7 million people lack access to basic health services. Only 50 percent of the health facilities in Yemen are functioning, and these facilities face severe shortages in medicines, equipment, and staff. These gaps especially impact critical services for the most vulnerable women and children. Unmet need for family planning (FP) remains high at 31.7 percent, while only 51.5 percent of women indicate demand for FP is satisfied. Facility stock outs continue with increased duration and frequency.



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