

[540,000 children in Yemen](#) [‘starving’: UNICEF](#)

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JEDDAH: More than 540,000 children under the age of 5 in Yemen are suffering life-threatening severe acute malnutrition and a child dies every 10 minutes from preventable causes, the UN said on Friday.

The UN children’s agency UNICEF warned that it could be forced to slash support for children in Yemen without a funding boost.



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[Rare anti-Houthi protests in Yemen](#) [after activist’s death](#)

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SANAA: Rare protests have erupted against Yemen's Houthi rebels following the funeral of a popular critic found dead after he was detained by the group. Videos posted on social media showed hundreds of angry demonstrators carrying the body of Hamdi Abdul Razaq through the streets of Ibb province on Thursday.

Eyewitnesses, who asked to remain anonymous out of fear of reprisal, said the Thursday protests spanned several neighborhoods and protesters were heard chanting "No Houthis after today."



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[Male guardianship rules in north Yemen restrict women's aid work](#)

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DUBAI: Female aid workers in north Yemen cannot do their jobs tackling one of the world's worst humanitarian crises as tightening male guardianship rules by Houthi authorities restrict their movement, nine female humanitarians have revealed.

When women refuse to take a guardian, they cannot travel to oversee aid projects, collect data and deliver health and other services. When women do take one, gender-sensitive work is difficult and aid budgets must bear extra costs.



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[Iraq WMD failures shadow US intelligence 20 years later](#)

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WASHINGTON: In his US Capitol office, Rep. Jason Crow keeps several war mementos. Sitting on a shelf are his military identification tags, the tailfins of a spent mortar and a piece of shrapnel stopped by his body armor.

Two decades ago, Crow was a 24-year-old platoon leader in the American invasion of Iraq. Platoon members carried gas masks and gear to wear over their uniforms to protect them from the chemical weapons the US believed – wrongly – that Iraqi forces might use against them.



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[Kuwait's Al-Najat Charity distributes iftar meals to Syrian refugees in Lebanon](#)

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BEIRUT: Kuwait's Al-Najat Charity has celebrated the advent of Ramadan by distributing iftar meals among Syrian refugees in camps near the border in northeastern Lebanon, Kuwait News Agency reported.

The charity's public relations officer, Tarek Al-Essa, said a delegation joined refugees in Aarsal to welcome Ramadan and hold Taraweeh prayers.

A mobile kitchen prepared breakfast as part of the "One Million Fasting Meals" campaign, which includes Lebanon and other countries.

Food baskets were also distributed to camps in the region.



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