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Damascus, February 18 (RHC)--In Syria, over a dozen hospitals have been forced to shut down or scale back in the war-ravaged northwestern Idlib province due to lack of funding. At some hospitals, health workers are having to work without pay in order to keep services running.

More than two-thirds of people living in Idlib are displaced, and nearly the entire population of the region lives in extreme poverty and relies on food assistance, according to the United Nations.

Meanwhile, fighting continues in the protracted Syrian war. On Wednesday, Israel fired missiles south of the capital Damascus, according to Syrian state media, the second Israeli strike this month.

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