JORDAN INTER-SECTOR WORKING GROUP UPDATE

May 2017



This update is a coordination tool to improve communication between sectors and up to the Humanitarian Partners Forum (HPF). It focuses on processes, rather than achievements. The latter are covered through separate monthly sector dashboards, available through the inter-agency portal and at http://data.unhcr.org/jordan/sectors/

I. General / Inter-Sector Update



Sector Priorities May 2017:

The Inter-Sector Coordination Unit is finalizing preparation of the Coordination Skills training which will be held on 4-5 July in Amman. Priority to attend is given to new coordinators who have not participated in the training last year.

The Sector Gender Focal Points Network has organized the Gender Equality in Humanitarian Action Training in May. Focal points facilitated the sessions by themselves. The main focus is to finalize Sector Gender Analysis by the end of June. The analysis will be presented to Sector Coordinators and sector partners for further discussion, so that the information will be utilized for the upcoming planning phase. Sector Gender Focal Points will be ready to support the project reviewing process for the second call for proposals of the Jordan Humanitarian Funds.

The Information Management Team updated the status of the services available to Refugees, with a comparison between the number of services recorded in Services Advisor and the number of projects in ActivityInfo. This exercise aimed at promoting further the systematic use of Services Advisor to map the services provided by partners to Refugees in Jordan.

The project location mapping has also been introduced to the partners, visualizing the location of the Inter-Agency appeal projects through the map of Jordan.

II. Sector information

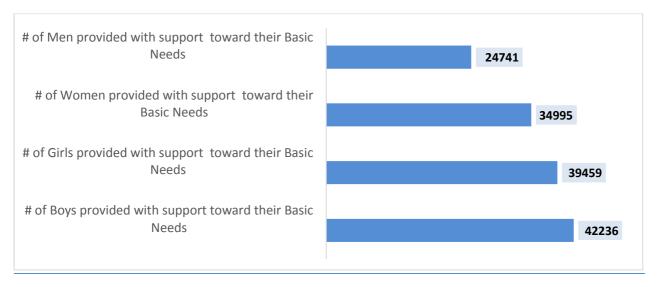


BASIC NEEDS

In May, the Basic Needs Working Group provided around USD 6,743,158 worth of regular cash and non-food items (NFIs) support to vulnerable beneficiaries in refugee and host communities.

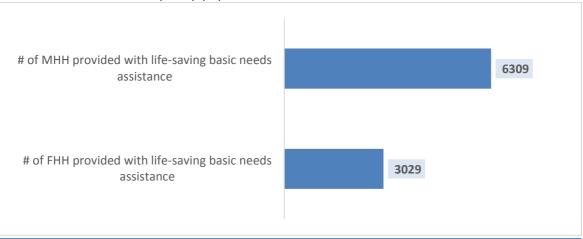
Urban:

Number of individuals and households provided with Basic Needs Support in the form of regular cash and non-food item (NFIs) is as follows:



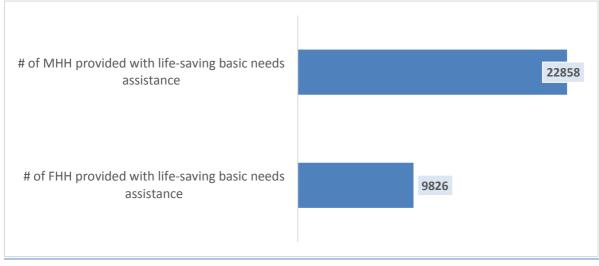
Azraq camp:

Distribution of NFIs in form of life-saving basic needs assistance which consists of replenishment / replacement kits and new arrival kits to Azraq camp population is as follows:



Zaatari camp:

Distribution of NFIs in form of life-saving basic needs assistance which consists of replenishment / replacement kits and new arrival kits to Zaatari camp population is as follows:





Formal Education:

A total of 126,127 Syrian children (51% girls and 59% boys) continued to have access to formal education in schools in camps and in host communities. In the host communities, 198 double-shifted schools (DSS) are operational; while in the camps 46 schools in 17 school complexes (30 in Zaatari, 12 in Azraq and 4 in EJC) provided educational services to Syrian children.

Non-Formal Education:

A total of 2,593 Syrian children (53% boys and 47% girls) were enrolled in Non-formal Education (Drop-Out and Catch-Up). Out of them, 1,615 children (53% boys and 47% girls) are enrolled in 68 Catch-Up centres, and 978 children (54% boys and 46% girls) are enrolled in the Drop-Out programmes.

Learning Support Services:

In May, UNICEF and partners reached more than 56,436 male (48%) and female (52%) in camps and host communities.

Summer School and 'Learning for All Campaign':

Preparations are ongoing for the start of summer schooling to accommodate children who had enrolled late during the academic year. It will run during 2 July – 20 for 3,593 students in 48 schools.

UNICEF and Ministry of Education are also preparing the launch of a Learning for All campaign taking into consideration the lessons learnt by the previous post-campaign assessment.



FOOD SECURITY

In May, WFP provided assistance to 224,943 extremely vulnerable and 200,183 vulnerable Syrian refugees in host communities. At Zaatari and Azraq refugee camps, WFP reached a total of 108,737 Syrian refugees with cash transfers. Around 387,262 Jordanian and Syrian schoolchildren received healthy snakes through the School Meals Programme.

JHCO supervised distribution of food parcels through several Community Based Organizations (CBOs) in Mafraq, Irbid and Agaba to 1,214 vulnerable households in refugee and host communities.

Islamic Relief Worldwide distributed food parcels to 160 vulnerable Syrian families in Mafraq.



PROTECTION

Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) Sub-Working Group:

The Gender-Based Violence Information Management System (GBVIMS) Task Force shared findings of the 2016 Annual Report on sexual and gender-based violence, including the operational context prevailing during the year, statistical reports on gender-based violence, analysis of services, referrals and remaining gaps. The report analyses the prevalence of various types of SGBV in Jordan, and assesses changes in year-on-year data, concluding with recommendations.

Key positive changes include increase access to livelihoods through the continued advocacy and support to the government to improve access to the self-reliance opportunities for individuals at risk of SGBV and survivors as a means to prevent further incidents and exit the cycle of violence.

Additionally, the need to improve access to services for those who live in isolation or in marginalized situation, such as for persons with disabilities, were highlighted in the report.

It was shared that efforts are needed to further strengthen the referral component especially by working more closely with actors providing outreach, screening and awareness-raising, as well as health, legal, psychosocial support, safety/security and livelihood components, and to ensure community-based complaint-and-referral mechanisms are in place and are functioning effectively. The report will be uploaded at UNHCR data portal.



Zaatari Update:

A Site Planning technical unit continues its regular activity of maintaining and updating the drawing of Zaatari's Masterplan, with all infrastructure layers, household address modifications, newly allocated service sites and other planned activities that would require land use.

In mid-May, the Jordanian construction company Al Derah ©, was awarded a contract to install pipe culverts under existing roads in Zaatari. This project is expected to begin in July.



WASH

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An average of 3.26 million litres of treated water was distributed on a daily basis with over 1.87 million litres of wastewater collected and treated, with 57% of the wastewater treated at the Zaatari Wastewater Treatment Plant. Over the month of May, a daily average of 442 m3 of solid waste was collected and transported to the municipal waste site.

76 household toilet facilities were upgraded for vulnerable families.

Zaatari Networks:

By the end of May, 2,767 interceptor tanks have been installed, 13,975 households have been connected and 11,988 pits backfilled.

94 contingency water storage tanks were installed to ensure uninterrupted water supply during phase II of water network construction works.

Phase II of water network pipeline works commenced in Districts 2, 4, 8, 9, 11 and 12. Installation of 45 km of pipe works has been completed.

Azraq:

Over the month, an average of 1.64 million litres of water was delivered around the camp each day with approximately 0.32 million litres of wastewater collected and treated, in addition to an average of 16 tons of solid waste collected and transported to the municipal waste site.

The work to construct a wastewater treatment plant has been over 60% completed. Within next few weeks, biological film building will take place.

Host Community interventions:

Asset Management workshop was organized by UNICEF in collaboration with Waternet and UNESCO IHE Water Education Institute for the participants from various governmental and non-governmental agencies.

Makani Plus:

During May, the Makani Plus project has been implemented at 30 ITSs (covering population of 3,015 in Mafraq and Jordan Valley governorates). The project was conducted through psychosocial support, outreach and WASH interventions, informal education and life skills sessions.



Ministry of Labour (MoL) reported on 52,906 work permits having been issued and renewed to Syrian workers between 1/1/2016 to 31/5/2017, of them 16,116 during five months of 2017. During 2017, 584 permits were issued in camps.

Following the instruction of the MoI on allowing camp refugees to work, SRAD, UNHCR, MoL and ILO came together to discuss how to implement the increased mobility for work purposes by establishing a mechanism to monitor refugees leaving camp with work permits and employment centre in each of the two larger camps.

Two meetings were organized by the Ministry of Labour and ILO to discuss and better understand the role different agencies play in the employment services. The MoL / ILO will take the lead on the discussion and ensuring that the other entities operate in a coordinated manner.

The MoL has issued an instruction that allows workers in Employment Intensive Infrastructure programs (EIIP) and in Cash-for-Work projects to access short-term work permits.

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