

# **IRAQ MONTHLY UPDATE - SEPTEMBER 2017**

# **FOOD**





## 56,930 Syrian refugees and members of impacted host communities were assisted by the food sector in camps and non-camps as following:

- In camps: 56,371 Syrian refugees received food assistance through food vouchers in eight camps (Domiz 1 and Domiz 2, Arbat, Basirma, Darashakran, Gawilan, Kawergosk and Qushtapa) and unrestricted cash distributions at Akre camp (chart below).
- In non-camps: 1,200 Syrian refugees and impacted members of the host community were supported on food-related livelihoods assistance in Erbil. Duhok and Akre districts.

#### Refugees and their host community receive tools, equipment and training that will help them gain basic knowledge in productive skills through practical experiences and activity-based learning in established vocational training centres, with particular emphasis on providing them with marketable skills. Beneficiaries are trained to process and produce several dairy products, fruit jams and dried fruit. Through provision of raw materials depending on the availability and seasonal prices, they will be able to sell the different food products to the market.

Vulnerable refugee households also receive on-going technical skills and know-how in vegetable crop cultivation in greenhouse and backyard gardens. They also receive inputs and equipment that can quickly improve household food availability and income.



Host community female headed household receive training on fruit processing in a vocational center in Agra district, Duhok, FAO

### SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

In camps: A total of 56,371 Syrian refugees received assistance from WFP in September 2017 under the regional Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation (PRRO).

All beneficiaries of monthly assistance received IQD 22,000 (USD 19) per beneficiary, per month. Those enrolled in WFP's pilot Tech for Food programme received USD 10 per participant, per day over the 35 days of the project. WFP is working with UNHCR to finalise the livelihoods component of the Joint Vulnerability assessment of Syrian refugees in Irag.

Food Security Outcome Monitoring for the third quarter of 2017 was completed at the end of September as planned. A total of 170 beneficiaries and 170 non-beneficiaries were monitored in Erbil. Dohuk and Sulaymaniyah. The primary findings will be shared at the end of October.

FAO, in collaboration with Directorates of Agriculture, completed several training courses on dairy production and fruit processing/drying in the agriculture directorates of Erbil and Duhok. Beneficiaries also received necessary tools and equipment related to the production of dairy products and fruit-drying technique. Furthermore, 20 green houses were set in Qushtapa and Domiz 1 camps where refugees are receiving on-going training on micro-gardening.

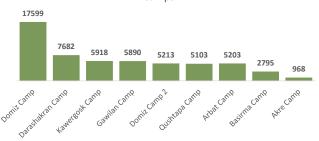
Syrian refugees go to Darashakran camp helpdesk to get information on their entitlements. WFP/Craig Browne

#### **NEEDS ANALYSIS**

FAO is in need of USD 1,133,946 to expand its current livelihood intervention programme and reach a larger number of Syrian refugees and their host community in and out of camps.

WFP faces a net funding requirement of USD 2.9 million for the refugee operation in Iraq over the next six months.

#### Number of Beneficiaries (individuals) reached in camps



**IRAQ RESPONSE INDICATORS: SEPTEMBER 2017 End-Year** Target ■ Total Assisted ■ Planned Response, by end-2017 56,012 of individuals who receive food assistance (cash, voucher or 56.371 40.129 75,000 in-kind) 918 of individuals (Syrian refugees and impacted members of host 4.020 community ) receiving food & agricultural livelihoods support 5.460 40% 60% 100% 0% 20% 20%

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