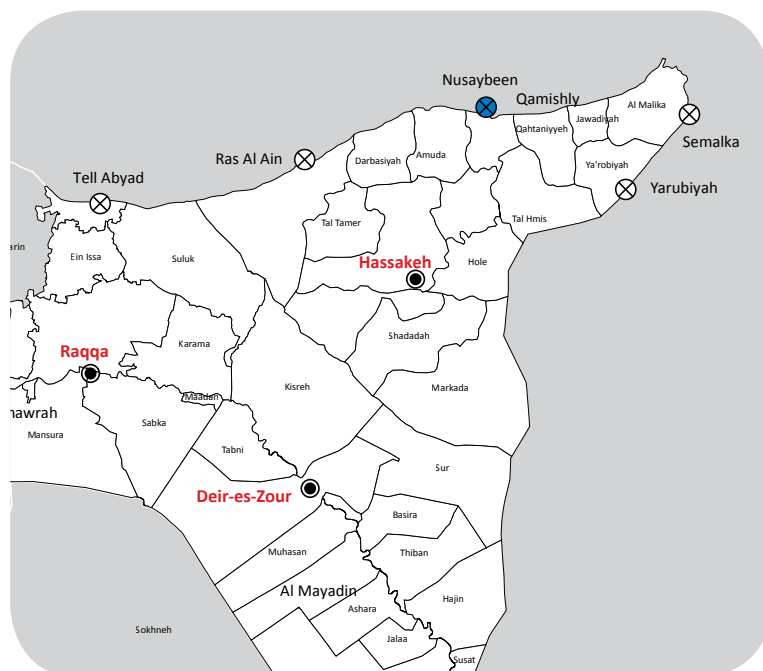


## UNHCR Conducts Successful Cross Border Mission in Hassakeh



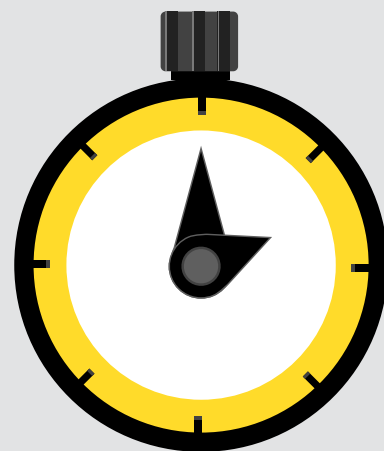
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The largescale fighting that took place in Hassakeh city in June and July led to the displacement of an estimated 120,000 people. This led to an emergency response in which UNHCR, through its network of volunteers and partners distributed Core Relief Items (CRIs) for nearly **24,000** of the most needy and vulnerable displaced people who were seeking refuge in shelters and parks. Reportedly, ISIS has now withdrawn from most of Hassakeh city with significant numbers of IDPs, estimated at around 70%, already starting to return to their homes.



## HIGHLIGHTS

- UNHCR Conducts Successful Cross Border Mission
- Six Million Core Relief Items Delivered by UNHCR
- UNHCR Successfully Supports Livelihoods



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This emergency depleted a significant amount of UNHCR warehouse stock, so UNHCR, on the 06 and 07 August 2015, carried out two cross border movements of 11 and 15 trucks respectively (26 trucks in total) through the Nusaybeen border crossing with Turkey carrying CRIs for **25,000** people.

The CRIs which included blankets, sleeping mats, plastic tarpaulins, hygiene kits, kitchen sets and mattresses were immediately moved to the UNHCR warehouse in Qamishly where it was unloaded.



**This successful cross border mission ensures that UNHCR continues to possess the capacity to respond to such emergencies in the Hassakeh Governorate in the future.**

## UNHCR Delivers Its Six Millionth Core Relief Item

At the beginning of August UNHCR, managed to deliver its **six** millionth Core Relief Item to the benefit of **1.4** million beneficiaries, despite the many challenges and constraints involved in operating in Syria



## UNHCR Livelihoods Support – Suhair’s Story

After her mother’s death Suhair, a young Syrian girl, suffered from depression until one day she heard of the UNHCR supported livelihood training for beauticians from one of the community leaders in her neighbourhood in Damascus. She subsequently applied for the course and was accepted. While attending this course she met many new friends which helped her cope with her pain and loss as well as learning about advanced makeup application and beauty care. She graduated from the course with certificate of excellence and beautician equipment to assist her to commence her new career.

She started working from her home, but very soon her instructor from the centre where she obtained the training contacted her and informed her of a job opening at another vocational centre. She applied for the position as an assistant trainer and was hired.

Suhair is very happy in her new position, has many new friends and is blooming with enthusiasm. As she says ‘thanks to UNHCR for supporting this training, because of it, I have my new job and am now hoping for a better life and better future’



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