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SITUATION IN NUMBERS

Highlights

- In Syria, UNICEF provided a 500 KVA electrical generator for the water treatment plant in Deir ez Zour City to ensure continuous provision of treated water to 250,000 people during times of power outages, with UNICEF facilitating the safe transportation and installation of the generator, as well as provision of spare parts.
- Despite the challenging situation in Homs, UNICEF has continued with supply and service delivery in some of the worst affected areas – including in Al Waer, supplying essential WASH and nutrition items as well as providing life skills and remedial education for children in the area.
- In Jordan, UNICEF and partners have provided structured psychosocial support to 70,280 children and adolescents (47 per cent male & 53 per cent female) in refugee camps and host communities with 6,943 of these children and adolescent receiving more focused and more specialized case management services.
- The health and hygiene promotion team in Domiz Camp in Iraq finished a second round of hygiene message promotion. While many factors contribute to the incidence of diarrheal disease cases – the latest decrease of diarrheal cases from 13 per cent in June to 5.5 per cent at the end of July can at least partially be attributed to the work of the health and hygiene promotion teams.

UNICEF's Response with partners

29 July 2013 marked the first anniversary of Za'atari refugee camp in Jordan. One year after Za'atari camp was carved out of the desert in northern Jordan to host refugees fleeing Syria, it is now housing more than 120,000 people – half of them children. The site has become the fourth largest city in Jordan and is also the world's second largest refugee camp behind Dadaab in eastern Kenya.

- In Za'atari School 1, summer activities continue with remedial education in the morning session and recreational activities in the afternoon session. Some 500 students attend the sessions each day.
- As part of the Back to School Campaign for 20,000 children in Za'atari Camp, School 1 undertook a "Talking Walls" activity, encouraging children to come to the school and participate in drawing and writing messages on school walls.
- UNICEF provides over 4 million litres of water a day to Za'atari, meeting the needs of all camp residents. Collection of sewage from Zaatari camp is running smoothly with average 1,400m³ collected daily.
- The immunization of newly-arrived Syrian refugees against measles and polio and provision of vitamin A in Za'atari Camp continues.

In Syria

3,128,000

of children affected

6,800,000

of people affected

(OCHA April 2013)

Outside Syria

973,870

of registered refugee children and children awaiting registration

1,895,831

of registered refugees and persons awaiting registration

(UNHCR, 6 August 2013)

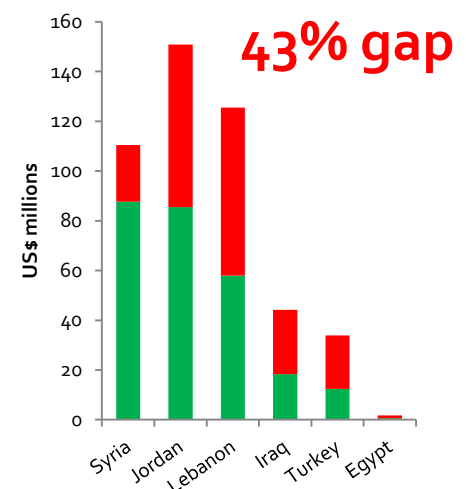
Syria Appeal 2013*

US\$ 110.46 million

Regional Appeal 2013*

US\$ 360.19 million

* January – December 2013



Lebanon

Highlights

- UNICEF has commenced equipping Primary Healthcare Centres to monitor and treat malnutrition, with micronutrients, therapeutic foods and portable equipment for measuring malnutrition distributed to implementing partner International Orthodox Christian Charities.
- PU-AMI has conducted WASH assessments for thirty of the sixty informal tented settlements in Akkar. These assessments will determine follow-up interventions appropriate to each settlement to ensure that all beneficiaries receive the components of the comprehensive WASH package suited to their needs.
- 436 women and girls have attended activities at four Women and Girls Community Centres in the past two weeks. Overall, 5,857 women and girls have benefitted from GBV interventions supported by UNICEF in 2013.

Total number of registered and unregistered refugees: 671,270 (UNHCR August 6, 2013)

Registered Refugees	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	558,874	284,467	274,407
Children Affected (Under 18)	294,527	150,896	143,631
Children 0-4 Years	110,657	56,446	54,211

Situation Overview and Humanitarian Needs

A total of 558,874 refugees are currently registered with UNHCR, of which more than 50 percent are children. An additional 112,396 Syrians have been in contact with UNHCR to be registered, bringing the total to 671,270. The number of Palestinian refugees from Syria in Lebanon is 92,000 individuals.

Programme Response

WASH UNICEF partner Action Contre La Faim (ACF) distributed sixty 1,000 litre water tanks and sixty water filters to 485 beneficiaries in the Bekaa Valley. They also constructed 36 latrines, benefitting 870 people.

PU-AMI has conducted WASH assessments for thirty of the sixty informal tented settlements in Akkar. Two tented settlements were assessed in a joint visit with the UNICEF WASH team. One of the settlements, Miniara, has been in existence for two years, while refugees arrived in the other, Haret Al Jadida, a year ago. Neither of these settlements has received external assistance for water, sanitation or hygiene to date. These assessments will determine follow-up interventions appropriate to each settlement to ensure that all beneficiaries receive the components of the comprehensive WASH package suited to their needs.

Child Protection In the past fortnight, UNICEF partner Intersos had 335 children attend activities in Child Friendly Spaces in Arab Salim and Bent Jbeil, as well as 344 children attend Child Smart Bus mobile activities in Nabatiyeh and Tyre. Activities included making cards for Eid, awareness sessions about the five senses, cooking classes for traditional dishes and awareness sessions on non-violent communication. This brings the cumulative total for children provided access to psychosocial support services to 51,325 this year.



Children play at Intersos' Child Friendly Space in Nabatiyeh/Intersos/2013

Also in the past fortnight, 436 women and girls have attended activities for survivors of gender based violence (GBV), and for those at risk of GBV, at the four Women and Girls Community Centres run by International Rescue Committee (IRC). A further 115 women and girls have benefitted from IRC's outreach activities. These activities include social therapy workshops to increase networks among girls, improving their coping skills and encouraging greater help-seeking among survivors of violence. Overall, 5,857 women and girls have benefitted from GBV interventions supported by UNICEF in 2013.

Over the reporting period, Intersos and IRC distributed 2,023 UNICEF-funded hygiene and dignity kits.

UNICEF has provided capacity training to fieldworkers, social workers, teachers and animators from ten implementing partners operating in Zahle, Qoybayat, Baalbek, Tripoli and Burj Albarajneh. The sessions encouraged coordination between partners, enhancing communication skills and increasing fieldworkers' awareness of their own stress and stress management techniques.

Further, 27 social workers and case managers were trained on GBV case management, and 21 hygiene promoters from the WASH sector were trained on GBV referral and mainstreaming in WASH. Five religious leaders, including one woman, have been identified to raise awareness on GBV issues, including sexual abuse and child marriage. A Friday Speech has been developed with the five religious leaders, with a pilot sensitization campaign through mosques to start in Tyre after Ramadan.

Education To date, UNICEF and implementing partners have assisted 34,527 children into schools and learning programmes, provided 36,333 children with access to psychosocial support in education and provided 24,861 children with non-formal and informal education services..

Based on 42 per cent of registered refugees being between 4 and 14 years of age, there are over 280,000 refugee children who need access to education in Lebanon. With government estimates at 1.2 million refugees in the country, this number could be more than 400,000, which is more than the entire public school student population in Lebanon. UNICEF is gearing up for a Back to School programme that aims to bring 174,000 children into classrooms for the new school year. UNICEF implementing partners are continuing community outreach to identify out-of-school children affected by the Syria crisis. Out-of-school children are being supported through the summer education programme, as well as receiving material assistance to enroll in school in the beginning of the 2013/2014 academic year in October.

In partnership with the Ministry of Education and Higher Education (MEHE) Centre for Education Research and Development, UNICEF has developed an Accelerated Learning Programme (ALP) curriculum of core competencies to harmonize the delivery of ALP across all agencies. These programmes are being run between July and September 2013 to help streamline children into formal education in the new school year.

Nutrition Five doctors and an official from the Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) have been provided training on the management of acute malnutrition in children under five years of age. This brings the number of healthcare providers trained to 38. Participants were trained on supplementary feeding and outpatient therapeutic feeding, as well as infant and young child feeding in emergencies.

UNICEF has commenced equipping Primary Healthcare Centres to monitor and treat malnutrition, with micronutrients, therapeutic foods and portable equipment for measuring malnutrition distributed to implementing partner International Orthodox Christian Charities.



Community outreach in Al Marj tented settlement /Shouman/UNICEF/2013

Inter-Agency Collaboration and Partnerships

The number of Palestinian Refugees from Syria (PRS) is estimated to have reached 92,000 individuals, following a rapid increase in the number arriving at the beginning of July. The majority are living inside camps across the country, with the influx concentrated within large camps (Ein El-Helweh, Rashidiyeh, Beddawi and Nahr el-Bared camp). The number of these refugees attending UNRWA schools has increased to 4,285 PRS students, 9 per cent more than last month. All new arrivals are now being enrolled in special classes, with UNICEF-supported summer learning classes scheduled to run until September for PRS who have been out of school during the school year.

The Child Protection in Emergencies Working Group (CPiEWG) conducted three field workshops in Bekaa, South and North Lebanon and a national workshop in Beirut during as part of a consultative process to develop a CPiEWG national strategy 2013-2014. More than 80 child protection actors from the Ministry of Social Affairs, UN agencies, international and national NGOs participated in the discussions.

Communication for Development (C4D)

5,000 cartoon posters on scabies for children are being widely distributed by the MOPH, the Ministry of Social Affairs, MEHE and all national and international NGOs.

Supply and Logistics

In the past fortnight, the following supplies have been distributed to implementing partners:

- 50 water tanks (1,000 litre)
- 516 cooking stoves
- 2,600 hygiene kits to Ministry of Social Affairs' Social Development Centres (one kit provides for a family of five)
- 2,600 baby kits to Ministry of Social Affairs' Social Development Centres

Jordan

Highlights

- Drilling of the first borehole in Azraq camp is completed. Installation of water and sanitation facilities is progressing according to schedule.
- 7,989 Syrian refugee children are participating in summer catch-up classes to enable their return to school in the fall.
- 1,054 mothers and 463 children under five visited the four UNICEF/Save the Children Jordan (SCJ) Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) caravans in Za'atari and EJC camps.
- UNICEF partners Un Ponte Per and Jordan Women's Union have recorded 3,027 visits by children at 16 Child Friendly Spaces in host communities in 7 Governorates in North and Central Jordan.

Total number of registered refugees and pending registration: 512,281 (UNHCR August 6, 2013)

Registered Refugees	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	451,669	220,866	230,803
Children Affected (Under 18)	249,321	126,016	123,305
Children Under Five	85,817	42,909	42,908
Children 6 to 23 months	31,617	15,808	15,807
Pregnant women	10,386	N/A	10,386

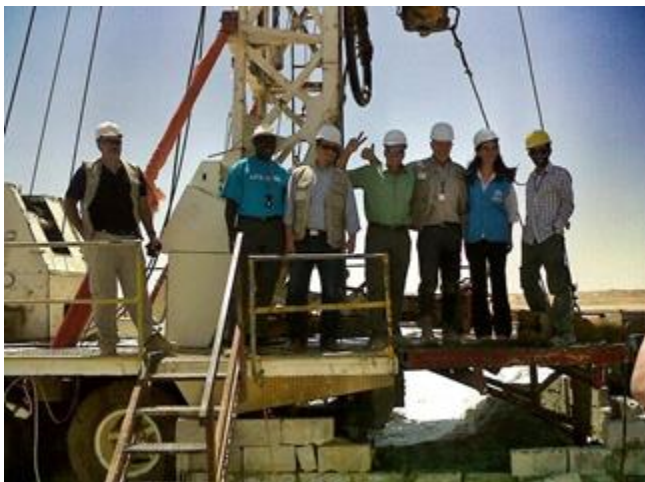
Situation overview and humanitarian needs

Some 257,153 Syrian refugees have crossed into Jordan since 1 January 2013, bringing the total number of Syrians now registered or awaiting registration with UNHCR to 512,281. The Government of Jordan estimates there are now over 600,000 Syrians in the country, of which over half are children. Since 10 July, arrivals have dropped markedly, averaging less than 100 refugees each night, as compared with over 500 arrivals per night in June.

Programme Response

WASH UNICEF and partners' work to prepare WASH infrastructure at Azraq camp continues at a steady pace. Some 21km of pipes have been laid in all villages and the 19 water storage tanks with a combined capacity of 1.69 million litres (sufficient capacity for over 56,000 people at 30 litres/person/day) have been installed. Forty-nine tap stands/water collection points have been installed.

For sanitation facilities, over 2,100 latrine pits have been dug, 611 septic tanks delivered to site and 186 wash units (toilets and showers) are ready to serve 2,790 people at a ratio of 1:15.



Azraq borehole draws water on 1 Aug 2013 (©UNICEF/Jordan 2013/Melandri)

The first Azraq borehole was drilled to a final depth of 500 metres and had an initial promising yield on 1 August. Next actions involve borehole development and water quality testing. The electricity connection to this borehole has also been completed; the system is being flushed and cleaned and should be ready for use by next week (after the Eid holiday). Azraq Camp is expected to open on 1 September.

Collection of sewage from Zaatari camp is running smoothly with average 1,400m³ collected daily.

Fifty-four team members from UNICEF partners Relief International and ACTED received training on hygiene promotion to implement activities at King Abdalla Park (KAP), Cyber City (CC), Ramtha and Irbid Camps.

Child Protection: UNICEF supports 65 Child and Adolescent Friendly Spaces (42 in camps and 23 in host communities) which provide psychosocial support to children. A further 10 playgrounds and multipurpose courts providing recreational activities are supported in Za'atari, KAP, Emirates Jordanian Camp (EJC) and CC. During the reporting period, seven more spaces have been added in three governorates in host communities with the approval of an agreement between UNICEF and INTERSOS/JOHUD by Jordanian Government.



JCO Representative joins a basketball game in Za'atari
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Agreements have been finalized with Mercy Corps, International Medical Corps (IMC) and International Rescue Committee (IRC) to establish child protection interventions in Azraq refugee camp. Under one such agreement, IMC will establish and operate two Adolescent Friendly Spaces to provide specialized structured psychosocial support activities. Additionally, IMC provide case management services to children identified as having suffered harm or who are at risk of abuse, violence and exploitation. Under a separate agreement, IRC will be responsible for setting up operations in Azraq for the management of cases of unaccompanied and separated children. UNICEF/Mercy Corps will operate ten Child Friendly Spaces in Azraq for children 6 -14 years old, and four Adolescent Friendly Spaces for children 15 -18 years old. Additionally, Mercy Corps will construct eight playgrounds in Azraq.

UNICEF and partners have provided structured psychosocial support to 70,280 children and adolescents (47 per cent male) in refugee camps and host communities with 6,943 of these children and adolescent receiving more focused and more specialized case management services.

UNICEF/IRC/IMC has identified and registered 480 unaccompanied and 542 separated Syrian children since January 2013 in refugee camps and host communities. During the same period 202 children have been reunited with their families. A further 91 unaccompanied children are receiving family-based or appropriate alternate care. These children are followed up with very regularly by case workers.

UNICEF and partners (Un Ponte Per and Jordan Women's Union) have recorded 3,027 visits by children at 16 Child Friendly Spaces in host communities in seven Governorates in North and Central Jordan. Activities have been focusing on traditional games, health and nutrition, environment and hygiene. Social mobilizers have also started working with communities to form community based child protection committees (CPCs). One CPC has already been formed.

Education In Za'atari School 1, summer activities continue with remedial education in the morning session and recreational activities in the afternoon session. Some 500 students attend the sessions each day.

As part of the Back to School Campaign, UNICEF's Education and Communication teams had their first session with 35 Imams in the old mosque of Za'atari camp on the importance of education. It was led by Imam Yahya (Clergy Beyond Borders based in Washington DC) organized by UNICEF/SCJ. The main objective was to have closer engagement with the Imams around the issue of education in Za'atari. SCJ created teams of teachers and students in Za'atari School 1 for "Talking Walls" activity as part of "Back-to-School" campaign,



Boys at school in Za'atari camp. (©UNICEF/Jordan2013/Malhas)

encouraging children to come to the school and participate in drawing and writing messages on school walls. In total, the Back to School campaign will target 20,000 children in Za'atari and 60,000 children in host communities.

The total number of registered students for catch-up classes in the Za'atari and EJC camps has increased to 3,965 bringing the total number in both camps and host community settings into 7,989. The number of registered students for informal education in Za'atari Camp and host community are 483 and 2,491 respectively bringing the total number of registered students for informal education to 3,294.

UNICEF and the Ministry of Education (MoE) have collaborated to map the absorption capacity of schools with the highest concentration of Syrian students. Schools accommodating large numbers of refugees were classified into three main categories: severely overcrowded, overcrowded and crowded. Accordingly, a meeting was held between UNICEF and MoE to agree on the actions and measures needed to identify the schools that need to be double-shifted and those which may require additions of prefabs in order to be able to accommodate the increasing numbers of Syrian students. The UNICEF-MoE meeting delved into specific concerns regarding 70 severely overcrowded schools in Irbid governorate which require immediate double-shifting to accommodate students.

The total number of Syrian and Jordanian students (51 per cent Syrian) who received remedial education in host communities through UNICEF/Madrasati was 4,024 (52 per cent female). As for the academic progress, based on students' scores in their own schools and entry tests, 70 per cent of the Jordanian and Syrian students demonstrated improvements in taught subjects across all grades, while the parents gave the same feedback, in particular the level of literacy and numeracy in Arabic and English.

Health The immunization of newly-arrived Syrian refugees against measles and polio and provision of vitamin A in Za'atari and EJC camps continues, conducted by IOM with UNICEF technical support. Measles vaccination is provided to refugees aged 6 months to 30 years, polio (OPV) to children 0-59 months, and vitamin A supplementation to children aged 6-59 months. Since IOM has started vaccinating new arrivals (16 April), 43,214 children (six months to 15 years of age and adults 16 – 30 years) have been vaccinated against measles and 12,702 children (0-5 years) against polio. In addition, 11,724 children (6-59 months) were provided with vitamin A supplements.

During the last two weeks, 267 children under five years old visited the eight Oral Rehydration Therapy corners established in Za'atari. The majority were cases of watery diarrhoea with no dehydration, while five were referred to health facilities and Diarrheal Treatment Units (DTUs) for further assessment. A total of 150 Oral Rehydration Solution (ORS) sachets were distributed to children after a demonstration of how to make ORS and dissemination of key messages on how to prevent diarrhoea, importance of hand washing, personal hygiene and environmental sanitation issues.

Nutrition During the last two weeks, 1,054 mothers and 463 children under five visited the four UNICEF/Save the Children Jordan (SCJ) Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) caravans in Za'atari and EJC camps. In addition, 2,174 nutritional snacks were distributed to children under 5 and lactating mothers. Through this project, UNICEF/SCJ provides nutritional support and guidance, including breastfeeding promotion, complementary child feeding, one-to-one counselling and health education sessions for pregnant/lactating women in the camp. In addition, the preparation for establishment IYCF caravan in four identified locations in Azraq camp is on-going.

Monitoring and Evaluation

UNICEF is in the process of strengthening its team of Field Monitors, bringing the total number of field monitoring staff to five by the end of August 2013. The Field Monitors track activities of UNICEF and its partners by carrying out regular service delivery spot checks and collecting feedback from beneficiaries through focus group discussions. They can also respond rapidly to specific monitoring requests from UNICEF's programme sections, e.g. for special initiatives such as immunization campaigns or for supply chain monitoring.

Communications for Development (C4D)

UNICEF provided a C4D workshop in Amman for 25 implementing partner staff involved with the Back to School campaign.

UNICEF and SCJ organized a public meeting with all Imams in Za'atari camp to mobilize support for the Back to School campaign.

UNICEF supported training of a 'core group of peers' consisting of 30 refugee children involved in the Back to School Campaign in Za'atari camp.

Supply and Logistics

In the reporting period, UNICEF received 210 pieces of school furniture for use in Azraq schools.

Winterization UNICEF Jordan is preparing for the coming winter months to support Syrian children up to 5 years old in refugee camps. Basic winter clothes and apparel items for 37,800 children are being procured through regional tendering process. Additional 38,000 thermal blankets will be procured as well. The estimated time of arrival of these items are expected by early October 2013.

Iraq

Highlights

- The total number of persons of concern registered with UNHCR in July totalled 987 - the lowest number since March 2012.
- Dara Shakran camp is due to receive the first group of refugees – 50 families - next week.
- The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Directorate of Water Outskirts Duhok (DoWOD) has been signed and the Directorate of Water has formed a water cell inside Domiz camp which will be responsible for the operation, maintenance and development of the water system for the whole camp.

Total number of registered refugees and pending registration: 160,335 (UNHCR August 8, 2013)			
Registered Refugees	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	160,335	101,813	58,522
Children Affected (Under 18)	62,050	33,991	28,059
Children 0-4 Years	23,409	11,865	11,544

Situation Overview and Humanitarian Needs

The situation in Domiz and Al-Qaim remains stable. However, the number of refugees entering northern Iraq from Syria has decreased dramatically as a result of the closure of the Sehela border crossing between Syria and Iraq (Dohuk Governorate). The total number of new registrations with UNHCR for July totalled 987 - the lowest number since January 2012. As of 8 August, there are a total of 160,335 persons of concern registered with UNHCR. Children under 18 represent 38.7 per cent (62,050) of the population and children four and under comprise 14.6 per cent (23,409). Ninety-six per cent of Syrians are located in Kurdistan, northern Iraq.

After reaching a high of over 100,000, the number of persons of concern in Dohuk region has now dipped to 99,424. However, the number of persons of concern residing in Erbil and Suleimaniyeh regions continues to increase slightly, and has now reached 40,146 and 15,104 respectively. Al-Qaim continues to trend toward depopulation for the seventh consecutive month with 367 refugees electing to return to Syria in July, leaving a total registered population of 5,079 from a peak of 8,955 in January 2013.

Programme Response

WASH

Western Iraq

UNICEF started relocating and storing all WASH items from the old camps 1 and 2, to the new camp in Al-Obedy, and refugees received additional water storage tanks. With the new phase of hygiene promotion campaigns, UNICEF's implementing partner, AFAKR, carried out a competition for the cleanest tent and gifts were distributed to the winners.

Northern Iraq

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Directorate of Water Outskirts Duhok (DoWOD) has been signed and the Directorate has formed a water cell inside the camp to be in charge of the operation, maintenance and development of the water system for the whole camp. DMC has already allocated space for the office. The DoWOD has also finalized the distribution plan for water trucking and are discussing with IRC to finalize the monitoring system by recruiting the required number of monitors. DoWOD is finalizing a bill of quantities (BOQ) for installing water metres to measure the amount of water pumped to the different phases of the camp and a BOQ for connecting communal water tanks in transit 2 to a sustainable water source through water pipes.

KURDS, with UNICEF support, is continuing work with the water network for transit 4 and 7. The camp is moving ahead with relocating some refugees to another part of the camp to allow for the completion of work in transit 7. Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) has started the water quality project funded by UNICEF to monitor water quality from the source to the household level. Communication has started with authorities to agree on reporting forms. NRC, with UNICEF funds, has started an assessment to install an additional 80 latrines, 200 bathing facilities and 10 communal water tanks in transit 2.

A management plan for the trucks undertaking the de-sludging of septic tanks and pit latrines has been drafted. Qandil has been requested to start implementing the plan and to provide feedback to the Sanitation Technical Working Group about its efficiency. Additionally, materials for messages on water conservation have been developed by the hygiene promotion group and will be discussed with the communities through focus group discussions to ensure messaging and imaging is positively perceived.

In Dara Shakran, construction of the water supply system is well underway with infrastructure 20 per cent complete. Four boreholes are completed but connection to some of the piped system has not yet started. The construction of household sanitation facilities and on-site disposal systems are also well underway - infrastructure is 10 per cent complete. The camp is due to receive people on 15 August and that infrastructure will be ready to receive some 50 families. Dara Shakran Camp is planned for 15,000 people.

Child Protection

Western Iraq

The Child and Youth Friendly Space (C/YFS) continues providing various indoor recreational and psychosocial support activities to children and adolescents aged from 3 - 17 years. Activities include chess and other games; football and volleyball; and educational activities like improving Arabic and English languages skills, calligraphy and story-telling. The space is also providing sewing and knitting activities for 36 girls and computer courses for 71 boys and girls. The process of establishing a new Child Friendly Space outside the camp for Syrian refugee children in the host community is ongoing.

Northern Iraq

IRC in partnership with UNICEF has completed six days of case management training attended by 16 child protection workers from ACTED and UNICEF/DoLSA CPU.



UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador Pau Gasol plays basketball with children in Domiz Camp in Iraq. UNICEF Iraq-2013/Bruere

A total of 1,720 visits by children aged 4 - 17 were made to the all Child and Youth Friendly Spaces in Domiz camp; 632 participated in the ACTED CFS/YFS and 771 boys and 459 girls attended the UNICEF/DoLSA centre activities.

Education

Western Iraq

The school is now the only space available for entertainment for families in the camp and during Ramadan and it has been used as a theatre. Summer school continues in the new camp with 50 children attending. An exhibition will be organized in the coming weeks to display the arts and crafts developed by the children.

UNICEF, in coordination with UNHCR and the Directorate of Education of Al-Qaim, is leading a back to school campaign to ensure that children attending Grades 1-9 return for the new academic year.

Northern Iraq

Approximately 1,400 children are participating in the summer activities in Kar and Qamishlu schools, including courses on fine art and sport activities. Catch-up classes are still ongoing in Jiyan School where 1,400 students are receiving remedial education. Rehabilitation of Jiyan School is now complete, benefitting 1,450 students.

The NRC assessment report on the education status of refugees in urban areas is finalized and has been shared with all education partners. The methodology included phone interviews and focus group discussions. The findings show that only 10 per cent of students in urban areas are receiving education.

Health and Hygiene Promotion

Western Iraq

Seven women from the camp gave birth during the reporting period. A UNICEF facilitator visited the families and provided the mothers with messages about exclusive breast feeding and the importance of immunization. All babies received the BCG vaccine and are now included in the routine immunization programme. In terms of numbers in the camp, there are 30 pregnant women, 166 children under 2 years of age and 269 between 2 and 5 years of age.

The Directorate of Health (DoH) continues to provide immunization services through two immunization sessions per week as well as health promotion through an outreach team. Islamic Relief Worldwide (IRW) are providing curative services. There were 44 children included in the routine immunization programme for the last three weeks. A team from EPI /MoH will visit Al-Obey camp and Al-Qaim after Eid to monitor the immunization status of children under the age of 5.

Northern Iraq

Expanded Programme of Immunisation (EPI) services continue to run smoothly in Domiz Camp. From 20 - 27 July the vaccination team of the DoH reached 449 newcomers to the camp between the ages of 6 months and 25 years with Measles, Mumps and Rubella vaccinations and an additional 20 persons were provided with measles vaccine alone. One hundred and thirty six children under the age of 5 were reached with the full expanded programme of immunization according to the Iraqi schedule. Seven pregnant women and 88 women of child bearing age received Tetanus Toxoid vaccination in the same week. At the time of publishing this report the data for the week from 28 July to 1 August was not yet made available by the UNICEF's implementing partner.

The health and hygiene promotion team finished a second round of message distribution through tent to tent visits in the camp over the past month. The messages were related to diarrheal disease prevention and to mother and child health care. While many factors contribute to the decrease and rise of diarrheal disease cases – the latest decrease of diarrheal cases in Domiz Camp from 13 per cent in June to 5.5 per cent at the end of July can at least partially be attributed to the hard work of the health and hygiene promotion teams from IRW and MSF. The UNICEF led health and hygiene promotion working group is making progress in formulating key messages around responsible water use in the camp through coherent inter-agency messaging using camp-specific messages on posters and banners as well as through SMS services and a public announcement system.

Nutrition

Western Iraq

Twelve children under 5 years of age were monitored for growth in July. As a part of the prevention of anemia programme among women, 25 pregnant women received visited the health centre and got ferrous folic acid. In addition, 17 breastfeeding women and 10 children under five years of age received vitamin A. UNICEF, in collaboration with the DoH, plans to conduct training on infant and young child feeding after Ramadan for health workers in Al-Qaim.

Northern Iraq

World Breast Feeding Week from 1 - 7 August was officially opened with a ceremony at the newly established UNICEF-funded Baby Hut in Domiz Camp. The Baby Hut functions as a centre for pregnant women and mothers of newborn babies in which education and support on infant and young child feeding practices are being offered. The close proximity to UNICEF funded EPI services and the sexual and reproductive health clinic of MSF Switzerland enable the women in Domiz Camp to receive comprehensive services for themselves and their babies.

Turkey

Highlights

Ongoing activities are taking place in the Child Friendly Spaces (CFSs) that have been established in 16 of the 20 camps. Youth workers are continuing to mobilize youth volunteers through registration activities, and have begun to plan activities for youth and children in the camps. The art activities that were piloted in Osmaniye and Adana camps last week will continue to be rolled out to the other camps.

Total number of registered refugees and pending registration: 434,814 (UNHCR August 8, 2013)

Registered Refugees	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	418,113	217,419	200,694
Children Affected (under 18)	213,238	113,016	100,222

Situation Overview and Humanitarian Needs

On 30 July, the Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD) of the Government of Turkey reported that the total number of Syrians registered and accommodated in 20 camps in 10 provinces is 201,120, including 507 Syrians receiving medical treatment in hospitals.

Local officials informed UNHCR that the admissions from the Jarablus border will resume again soon. Reportedly there is a group of approximately 1,000 Turkmen IDPs identified living on the border in Jarablus who will be admitted and sent to Malatya container site.

As reported in the national media, there are continued fights between the opposition groups in northern Syria in Ras-Al Ayn and Tel Abyad across the Turkish border towns of Ceylanpinar and Akcakale. UNHCR Field Teams continue to be in close contact with the local officials to follow up the possible influx to the Turkish borders.

Programme response

Child Protection and Youth Ongoing activities are taking place in the CFSs that have been established in 16 of the 20 camps. Eight of the CFSs are located in tents purchased and distributed through UNICEF, four will be in containers (as they are container camps) with temporary spaces set up in the eight camps where tents have not been erected. The youth workers are continuing to mobilize youth volunteers through registration activities, and have begun to plan activities for youth and children in the camps. The art activities that were piloted in Osmaniye and Adana camps last week will continue to be rolled out to the other camps.

Education Meetings were held during the reporting period with the researcher undertaking the Turkey portion of the regional education study to gain a better understanding of the teaching and learning situation of Syrian refugee children in the five Syria crisis affected countries (Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, Iraq and Egypt) together with the development of recommendations for policies and strategies in relation to the curricula used for teaching and to the accreditation of learning. The study was initiated by UNICEF Middle East and North Africa Regional Office for the five concerned countries to address the challenges related to teaching and accreditation for Syrian refugee children. The study will provide a valuable tool for concerted advocacy, policy development and active engagement for improving education programmes benefitting Syrian refugee children.

Supply and Logistics

The majority of supply needs over the period continued to be in preparation for the establishment of the CFSs in camps. The main items for procurement have been air conditioning systems, laptops and mobile phones for youth workers, recreational kits and materials, furniture and sign boards.

In addition to supplies for CFSs, 80,000 pairs of shoes have been procured and will be distributed to children in the camps in collaboration with a back-to-school campaign planned for the end of August. The shoes have been given to the Turkish Red Crescent Society to distribute, and will be distributed according to an agreed distribution plan.

Regional

Funding

<i>Funding Status</i>		Child Protection	Education	Health & Nutrition	WASH	NFIs	Safety & Security	Ops. Mgmt.	Total*	Funded
<i>In millions of US Dollars</i>										
Syria	Required	13.10	33.44	15.94	46.49		1.49		110.46	79.4%
	Funded	11.86	16.39	11.52	30.85	15.78	1.29		87.69	
Jordan	Required	16.85	45.02	10.56	78.44				150.88	56.7%
	Funded	8.50	12.56	6.06	57.30	1.06			85.49	
Lebanon	Required	18.23	55.66	3.45	46.37	1.72			125.43	46.2%
	Funded	16.88	14.30	7.60	12.42	1.13		5.64	57.96	
Iraq	Required	5.00	5.00	4.75	29.50				44.25	41.5%
	Funded	1.63	1.18	0.69	9.56			2.49	18.38	
Turkey	Required	10.41	20.49	3.00					33.90	36.8%
	Funded	5.96	5.57					0.60	12.47	
Egypt	Required	0.51	0.84	0.39					1.74	34.7%
	Funded	0.11	0.38	0.12					0.60	
MENA**	Required	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00				4.00	28.0%
	Funded	0.36	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.02	0.02	0.23	1.12	
Total	Required	65.10	161.45	39.09	201.80	1.72	1.49	0.00	470.65	57.2%
	Funded	45.30	50.54	26.15	110.29	17.98	1.30	8.97	269.31	
	Gap	19.80	110.90	12.94	91.52	-16.26	0.19	-8.97	201.34	
	% Funded	69.6%	31.3%	66.9%	54.7%	1042.9%	87.4%		57.2%	

* The total amount includes funds that are currently being allocated to country offices.

** This includes multi-country technical support.

On 7 June UNICEF, together with other UN agencies and partners, launched its revised appeal requirements for the Syria Crisis. As detailed in the above table, UNICEF's total funding requirements from January to December for Syria have increased by 61% to \$110.46m. For neighbouring countries, UNICEF total funding requirements have now reached \$360.19m representing a 183% increase.

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