



TARGETS

As specified in the RRP5



460,649

Syrian refugees (registered or awaiting registration)



95,305

Persons unwilling to register



198,556

Affected Lebanese



7,942

Lebanese returnees



31,769

Palestine refugees from Syria (PRS)



156 million

USD required

NEEDS

According to WASH assessments and in view of population projections, it is assumed that 27 per cent of refugees and affected populations will be in need of water support, 29 per cent in need sanitation assistance and 80% will require hygiene promotion support by the end of the year.

WASH needs vary geographically depending on the status of and access to existing water and wastewater services. The plan to address WASH needs is based on the assumption that existing water sources will suffice to meet the bulk of the increased water demand and that approval for development of new water sources will be granted in time to bridge gaps.

The affected population is scattered all over the country making the WASH response expensive, time consuming, and logistically challenging. Refugees currently reside in over 1,400 locations out of which almost 400 are tented settlements.

The number of these informal tented settlements is expected to rise further in the coming months due to continuing new arrivals. Many of them lack adequate sanitation and access to water and are prone to flooding. These factors result in poor hygienic conditions leading to a high risk of water-borne disease.

OBJECTIVE

Reduce WASH related mortality and morbidity through provision of and access to water, sanitation and hygiene promotion to agreed minimum standards for targeted population.

ACTIONS/OUTPUTS

- 1 Safe hygiene behaviours and hygienic living conditions
- 2 Access to safe and adequate quantity of water
- 3 Access to sanitation facilities and health risks minimized

KEY AUGUST DEVELOPMENTS

- Preparation of a detailed WASH Contingency Plan for mass influx of refugees and revision of capacity (stock, HR, warehousing, logistics, geographical response coverage).
- Provision of WASH services at the Masnaa border reception area.
- Strengthening of linkages with the development forum and Lebanese Water Authorities; initiating coordination platform at Governorate level for medium-term WASH initiatives and providing input to the drafting of the World Bank Impact and Stabilization Assessment.
- WASH planning matrix and mapping at governorate level (who will/can do what and where) based on priority areas where there is the most vulnerable populations (high concentration of refugees as well as very poor Lebanese) drafted.

ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE

August figures in brackets



838,358 beneficiaries received hygiene kits and baby



30,963 beneficiaries have access to adequate latrines



30,159 beneficiaries reached through hygiene promotion



43,718 beneficiaries benefited from water storage facilities

WASH RESPONSE



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