

Key messages:

All new activities in the camp MUST be approved and coordinated with: (a) the government (b) camp management. Camp management will approve requests supported by the relevant sector and if they are cost effective, focused, constructive and have the greatest possible impact. All activities in the camp have an effect on overall security, so it is imperative to go through the correct procedures before commencing any activity in the camp. Any organisation that does not respect this condition will have their permission to operate in the camp revoked by camp management.

Contact Sobia Oberg oberg@unhcr.org or Kilian Kleinschmidt kleinsch@unhcr.org

Actions:

Ref	Actions from previous meetings	Who	When	Done?
Emerging issue				
Security				
2/7	Incident reports should be completed for all incidents, and shared with UNHCR FSA	All	Ongoing	Ongoing
Camp Management				
06/08	Any meetings with refugees should now take place in the shared meeting area in the buffer zone. Pedestrian gate is open.	All	Ongoing	Ongoing
03/09	Agencies planning to have a regular physical presence in the compounds should express their interest to UNHCR camp management	Mohamed Jertila@unhcr.org	Ongoing	
03/09	Base Camp Management: Team Connect Contact details across Please Fill RFO in advance of any issues.	Azmi Alhasany Team Connect azmi@team-connect.co 0798021719		
10/09	Meeting rooms to be booked 48 hours in advance	Irene Omondi omondii@unhcr.org 0796324611		
17/09	Electricity contact	John Simpson simpson@unhcr.org 0796304667		
29/10	Press Officer/ External Relations	Andy Needham Needham@unhcr.org 0798175813		
29/10	For Environmental Issues Contact	Thomas Palo palo@unhcr.org 0796320102		
03/12	All agencies planning to distribute any NFI item in the camp must get prior approval from camp management.	Sobia Oberg oberg@unhcr.org 0796324737		

General security situation in the camp is calm. Everything is revolving around winter and related issues. Many challenges related to general gas shortage in Jordan. Gas distribution therefore had to be suspended on 18 Dec and resulted in tensions. Raba Sarhan might open on Sunday.

All agencies are requested to send their respective hotline numbers for refugees to Naseraddin Touaibia at touaibia@unhcr.org. Also all media focal points from agencies should be shared with Naseraddin and Andy Needham needham@unhcr.org

AptArt who painted communal facilities in the camp will be coming back in February.

Caravan/Shelter: 601 caravans were distributed in the camp this week. The transportation of caravans from EJC to Za'atari camp also started this week.

Site planning: Agreement was made with JEN to continue floodwater dewatering operations over the winter period (on-standby), in coordination with UNHCR.

Infrastructure: Construction of East road, water trucks parking, returnees- bus station and maintenance of west gate entrance is ongoing. Culverts construction for central camp drainage is completed. Contractor started the asphalt work for inter districts roads. Fence for new protection compound, located west of the base camp, is ongoing.

Electricity: Overloads of electrical system due to the use of electric heaters continues causing major disruptions. Discussions with the refugee community about issues related to electricity are ongoing. Failures of distribution cables across the camp in parts of districts 1, 2, 10, 12 continue.

WASH: - Borehole two is now operational and as of next week will start supplying water to the camp.

- Vandalism/looting of WASH facilities by refugees is ongoing. Last week WASH facility # 108 was destroyed – beneficiaries tried to protect it but they were over powered.
- UNICEF is planning to flush the storm water drains to which refugees connected their waste water pipes illegally.

Distributions

- Gas heater distribution started on 15th Dec and gas cylinder distribution started on 16th Dec. Distribution of hygiene kits and diapers will start on Sunday the 29th
- Food distribution started on 16th Dec. This time the complete dried food package is distributed as given before the 3 JD - and then 6 JD vouchers were introduced. First GFD cycle is to start on 4th January 2014. Food voucher amount will increase to 8JD this time. 1916 welcome meals and 1146 new arrivals packages were distributed during the week. Daily bread distribution is ongoing from 4 sites providing 20MT bread to approximately 80,000 beneficiaries. School feeding is covering 11,200 students in three schools.

Contingency planning and Emergency Response: Key agencies prepared and continue reviewing the joint winter response plan to deal with flooding, rain and snow damage or extreme cold identifying available communal spaces and resources to provide additional assistance.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday 31 December 2013, at Za'atari Base Camp meeting room 4, at 12:00.

