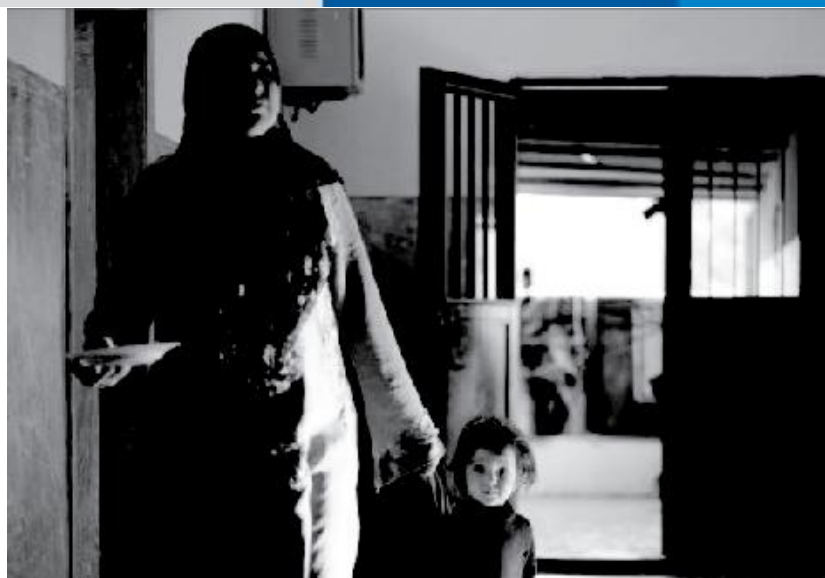


SYRIAN REFUGEE RESPONSE: LEBANON INTER-AGENCY UPDATE



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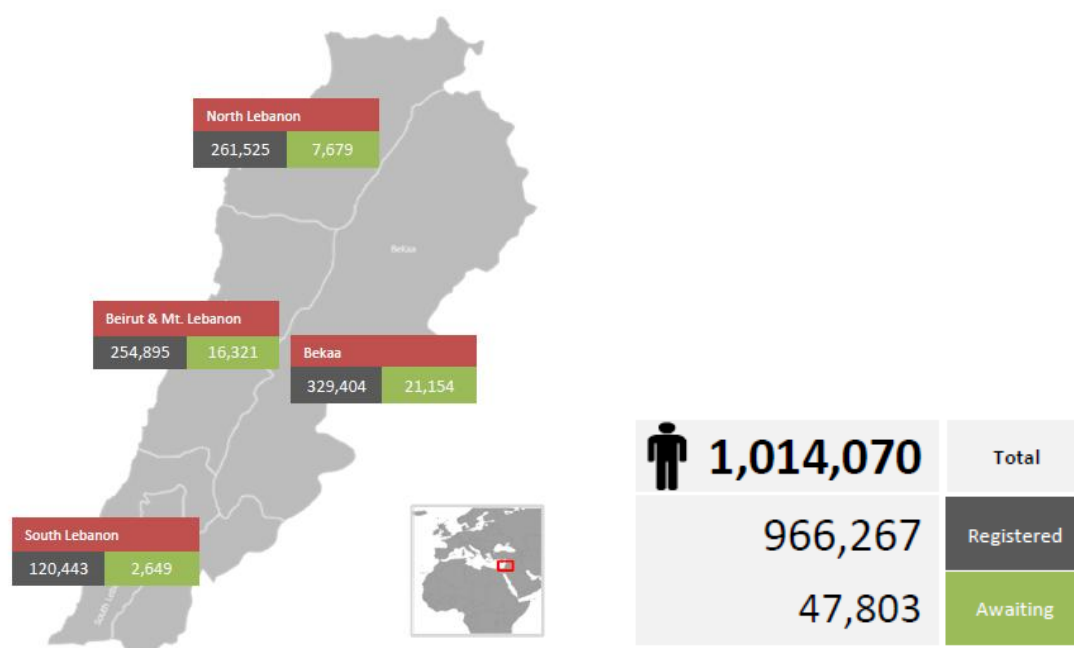
Agencies and the Government of Lebanon requested US\$1.89 billion in the latest inter-agency funding appeal. US\$246.7 million have so far been received – 13 per cent, as of 21 March.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

- 662,000 individuals benefited from food assistance;
- More than 21,878 children were vaccinated against polio;
- 7,700 individuals received primary and secondary healthcare services;
- 71,500 individuals received blankets, mattresses, fuel and other household items;
- 8,400 individuals benefited from health awareness sessions;
- 7,600 benefited from shelter support;
- Some 1,800 refugees benefited from social and mental health consultations;
- Local authorities in south Lebanon reported the arrival of some 117 individuals from Mazraat Beit Jin;
- 13,000 persons registered with UNHCR.

PROTECTION, REGISTRATION AND

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Over 13,000 refugees registered with UNHCR, bringing the total number of Syrian refugees assisted by UNHCR and partners to over 1,014,000 (966,000 people registered and 47,000 awaiting registration).

A total of 12,306 registered refugees underwent renewal-verification during the week. UNHCR Lebanon has engaged in a country-wide verification-renewal action plan since January 2014 with the aim to renew expired registration documents, update information captured during registration, record new protection/specific needs and verify the existing population in Lebanon. Individuals who are not present during the verification-renewal interview are inactivated and reactivated when or if they re-approach the registration center and undergo a reactivation interview.

Some 575 refugees residing in Mount Lebanon and Hasbaya, south Lebanon benefited from transportation to the registration centres in the respective districts provided by Terre Des Hommes (TdH), SHEILD and UNHCR. This facilitated registration for vulnerable refugees who reside in remote areas.

PROTECTION

Local authorities in Shebaa, south Lebanon reported the arrival of some 117 refugees from Mazraat Beit Jin, Syria in the past days. Local authorities and partners responded to the most pressing needs.

Eighteen Internal Security Force (ISF) officers from different police station across the Bekaa were provided with training on prevention and response to Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) and child protection. Similarly in Koura, north Lebanon, eleven heads of several municipalities attended an awareness session on human rights and sexual exploitation of refugees provided by International Relief and Development (IRD).

Some 725 refugees benefited from psychosocial support sessions and livelihood training provided by CLMC and DRC in areas across the country.

An additional 153 refugees benefited from legal counseling and assistance provided by IRD in north Lebanon. Sessions included awareness on birth registration procedures and the renewal of residency permits.

FOOD SECURITY

More than 650,000 individuals have so far this April benefited from food assistance provided by the World Food Programme (WFP) through electronic cards reloaded with the amount of US\$ 30. Additionally, a total of 11,493 newly-arrived refugees received food parcels.

Some 1,200 vulnerable individuals living in unfinished buildings and car garages in Akkar received hot meals and bread parcels distributed by IOCC. Families who benefited from this distribution have elderly or disabled members, pregnant, lactating women and/or children under 5 years of age.

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DISTRIBUTION

In the past fortnight, more than 65,000 refugees received the assistance package donated by the State of Qatar in collaboration with Acted, CISP, Concern, Dar El-Fatwa, Ghirass, Sheild, Solidar Suisse, Makhzoumi Foundation, Sawa Group, World Vision and in coordination with local municipalities across the districts. This package consists of: blankets, mattresses, plastic sheets, heating stoves, hygiene kits, Jerry cans and vouchers for heating fuel (200 litres per family).

Similarly this week, over 6,500 individuals most of whom are newly arrived refugees, received blankets, mattresses, kitchen sets and other household items distributed by Save the Children, DRC, URDA, CLMC and UNHCR in the North and Bekaa.

SHELTER

The mapping of informal tented settlements was finalized this week. A total of 989 informal settlements were identified housing 133,500 refugees. Materials and tools to seal off tents from the cold continue to be widely distributed. This week, over 7,600 refugee families benefited from weatherproofing kits for protection against rain or any damage that might be induced. Kits include plastic sheeting, timber, external doors and/or door coverings and were distributed by Solidar Swiss and CISP in south Lebanon, SCUK in Akkar and CHF in Mount Lebanon.

EDUCATION

Over 1,500 refugee children enrolled in public schools across the country benefited from the distribution of bags, stationary in addition to school and transportation fees from CLMC.

Some 512 out-of-school children are benefiting from Accelerated Learning Programmes (ALPs) in addition to psycho-social and recreational activities provided by World Vision. An additional 540 children are being assisted with a basic literacy and numeracy programme.

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HEALTH

Over 6,873 individuals received primary health care services including consultations, treatments, referrals, medication, vaccination, antenatal care, postnatal care, family planning, child health care and diagnostic tests provided by Makhzoumi Foundation, International Medical Corps (IMC) and UNHCR in coordination with the Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) through mobile or center-based clinics. Additionally, some 925 individuals were hospitalized this week, including 337 deliveries, provided by UNHCR through GlobeMed.

More than 21,878 children under five years of age received vaccinations against polio provided by IMC and Save the Children.

A further 8,424 individuals benefited from awareness sessions provided by UNHCR, UNFPA, LFPAGE, IMC, CLMC and the International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC). Sessions covered Nutritional Awareness, Reproductive Health, Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF), gender based violence, early marriage and pre and post-natal care.

Some 1,880 refugees in five governorates benefited from social and mental health consultations provided by IMC, through its outreach and center-based services.

WATER, SANITATION, HYGIENE (WASH)

*34,000 individuals
received WASH
support*

Some 34,300 individuals benefited from the distribution of hygiene, baby kits, jerry cans, aqua tabs and water filters this week distributed by CISP, Concern, Premiere Urgence (PU-AMI) and UNHCR.

Refugees residing in the Ouzai collective shelter in Saida, south Lebanon benefited from the installation of 38 showers installed by PU-AMI and UNHCR.

DONORS

USA, Kuwait, EU, Japan, UK, Germany, Australia, Norway, Canada, Denmark, Netherlands, Russia, France, Sweden, Switzerland, Finland, Italy, Ireland, Austria, Republic of Korea, Spain, Luxemburg, Estonia, Czech Republic, Iceland, Greece, Hungary, Lithuania, Chile, Mexico, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, State of Qatar, and Slovakia.

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