

IRAQ: RRP6 MONTHLY UPDATE -May 2014

As of May **46,055** refugees benefited from improved shelter eg. tent foundations and cooking areas; **16,525** refugees benefited from new/replacement tents.

MAY HIGHLIGHTS:

Kawergosk: Technical stakeholders met with the local authorities to discuss the progress in the preparation of the permanent site which once finished, will accommodate refugees currently living in very congested sectors. Areas of attention include: completion of sewers and superstructures (latrines and showers), water networks, road resurfacing and electricity connections.

Construction of 512 tents foundation with kitchen has been completed. Construction of the latrine and shower remains on-going.

Gawilan: Relocation from the transit to the permanent site that was constructed by UNHCR-PWJ started on 26 May. Based on relocation criteria, each seven member family will be given two plots. The relocation criteria also include recommendations from community service members, to refer vulnerable cases that require specific placement or additional space.

Qushtapa: 374 tents construction have been completed at the UAE site, and 150 kitchens have been constructed at the previous site. The Construction of 224 plots has been completed. Phase 2 of water network and the sewage system completed. A meeting with the local authorities has been held to prepare a work plan for relocating of refugees from tents to the completed shelters in phase (2).

An arrangement has been agreed with Department of Electricity in Qushtapa to move and re-install the current electrical polls from the tented camp to the UAE site. Directorate of Electricity started moving the poles to connect the electricity to each family in the new UAE site.



NEEDS ANALYSIS:

The objective of the sector is to provide adequate and targeted shelter support to Syrian refugees living in camps, in order to reduce vulnerability and physical settlement issues within the camp.

All individuals arriving in transit centers and camps will be prioritized for emergency shelter provision, while those who have been settled longer than six months will be assisted with replacement tents and plastic sheeting as well as materials to further build up the cement walls around the tents.

Notwithstanding that the main focus for the shelter sector are the camp refugees, there are some urgent needs for the non-camp population.

These include advocacy for continued refugee residency in host communities, upgrades to the dwellings of refugees living in non-camp settings, and the prevention of informal settlements in urban areas.

In this non-camp setting, families that include persons with specific needs (PSNs) will be targeted for assistance first, while mixed approaches will be taken for those non-PSNs.

Community outreach and protection services will be engaged in the beneficiary selection, so that those benefiting from shelter assistance will be based on demonstrated need.

REFUGEE POPULATION IN IRAQ:

226,174

Current Refugee Population

310,000

Expected Refugee Population by end-2014

PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS:

46,055 (590 in May) individuals benefited from improved shelter (tent foundation and kitchen)

16,525 (1500 in May) refugees in camps benefited from 300 new or replacement tents

81,361 (0 in May) refugees in camps provided with temporary emergency shelter

Targets based on an expected population of 310,000 Syrian refugees in Iraq by end-2014. There are currently 226,174 Syrian refugees in Iraq.

