



KEY ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE MONTH

In June **1,538** persons participated in activities to improve their livelihoods

HIGHLIGHTS:

On the livelihoods side, activities continued at a regular pace in June. 847 people benefitted from vocational training activities in June, and 691 from income generating opportunities.

There are less activities to report on the social cohesion side. This is mostly due to the fact that most projects supporting communities and municipalities were completed in the last months, while new ones are at the stage of identification or implementation.

Partners working on peacebuilding projects are however still active, with two more local conflict mitigation mechanisms established (in Akkar/Wadi Khaled and Mount Lebanon/Beirut southern suburbs). In addition, 51 change agents (officials, media, youth and community leaders) were trained to address misperception and mitigate tensions.



Dresses and sewing machines used in a class for Syrian and Lebanese women in a classroom at the Women's League in Halba, Lebanon,. UNHCR/Photo by Shawn Baldwin

NEEDS ANALYSIS:

The sector is working on five work streams to improve its impact:

- first, consultations are ongoing at national and local level to attract more Lebanese in livelihoods activities, identifying type of vocational trainings and cash for work activities that would be appealing to host communities as well as refugees,
- second, a dialogue is ongoing with key ministries on the right to work agenda for refugees,
- third, on the social cohesion side, the sector will work to adopt a more integrated approach to support to municipalities, by ensuring that municipalities different projects are aligned with the priorities of municipalities. This goes hand in hand with current efforts to strengthen the coordination of the sector on the field,
- fourth, the sector is also working on towards better measuring its impact on social cohesion. The social cohesion core group will develop standard indicators and questionnaires that partners could use to measure their impact.
- finally, the social cohesion partners will also pull together a number of resources (conflict assessment, conflict sensitivity checklist, guidelines on participatory process) to be used by the overall response.

PROGRESS AGAINST 2014 TARGETS



Source: figures reported above reflect the information reported to Sector Coordinators by Partners participating in Working Groups

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