



A total of 29,850 persons (5,970 families) were assisted during November, 2014

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

The focus for November was on the continuation of distribution of winter relief items together with shelter kits and kerosene for heating. To cover the needs of the camp populations of about 90, 000 persons in the 3 governorates of KR-I (Duhok, Erbil and Sulaymaniyah), distribution of winter items has started in October 2014, continued through November and will continue in December 2014 and January 2015.

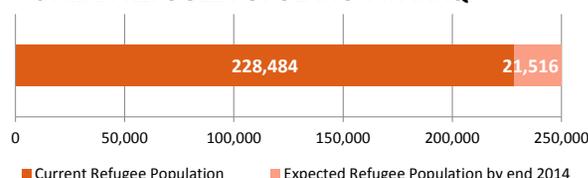
UNHCR completed phase 2 distributions of standard winter kit (quilts, thermal blankets, plastic sheet, water jerricans) for 5,970 families (some 29,850 persons) in camps in three governorates (Erbil: 2,170 Duhok: 3,123 and Sulaymaniyah: 677 families) and Kerosene distribution continued to some 12,475 families (65,183 individuals in KR-I): Duhok: 7,702 families, Erbil: 4,096 families and Sulaymaniyah: 677 families). Phase- 2 items included Kerosene jerry cans and heating stoves.

A total of 2,000 insulation kits together inner lining and polystyrene boards were distributed to 2,000 families residing in KR- camps (Duhok: 700, Erbil: 623 and Sulaymaniyah: 677 families).

Also, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) has distributed basic needs kits (blankets, mattresses, kerosene heater/ Gas stove, kitchen set, hygiene kits) to 1,072 families (about 5,360 persons) in Zakho (refugees in non-camps). Also, Peace Winds Japan (PWJ) has distributed 750 cooking stoves in Gawilan camp. Further, 300 fire extinguishers were distributed by ORYX Oil Company in Gawilan camp in response to the Fire Prevention and Safety measures.



SYRIAN REFUGEE POPULATION IN IRAQ:



UNHCR Winterization Kit Contents:

- Tent Insulating 3rd Layer
- Thermal Blanket
- Plastic Sheets 20 sq.m
- XSP Insulating Layer 23 sq.m
- Kerosene Heater



Leading Agencies: UNHCR. Co-leading agency: ACTED.



Participating Agencies:



NEEDS ANALYSIS:

The assistance for winter relief items, winterization shelter kits and kerosene for heating remains incomplete. In Duhok, the allocation of resources for 2014 winterization was limited. The available basic needs kits have met 35% of the total needs (9,009 families) in the 4 camps Domiz 1 & 2, Gawilan and Akre Camps). The targeting approach met with many complains from the refugees who did not receive winter relief items. Non camp refugee populations were not covered by UNHCR this winter at all. There has been a strong message from the community asking UNHCR to improve the quality of the kerosene heaters as they attribute the fire accidents to the poor quality. There is a high need for mattresses replacement as these are damaged and outlived their useful life.

In Erbil, distribution of winter items needs to continue for winter shelter kits e.g. Tent insulation, thermal mattresses polystyrene boards and replacement of at least 2339 deteriorated tents.

Refugees living in camps will require additional core relief items and will need to replace the deteriorated tents.

Newly arrived refugees based in tents may require insulation. The installation of the insulation kits needs to be fixed before the onset of severe winter in high altitude areas. Kerosene distributions by UNHCR and other partners may not cover the requirement for the winter months (November to March).

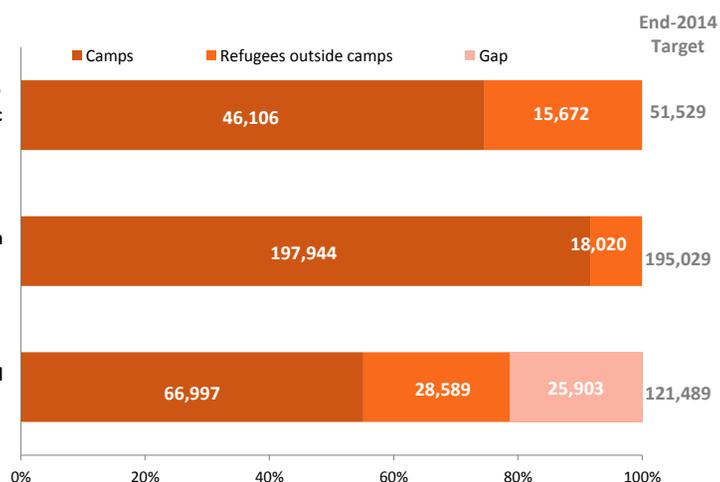
UNHCR continues to chair and coordinate NFI working group for refugees and mobilizing partners. With internally displaced persons (IDPs) emergency (about 750,000 persons in KR-I), all attention of partners was diverted to the IDP response and it has been very difficult to mobilize partners to provide assistance to refugees.

PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS:

61,778 (4,559 in November) newly arrived persons who have been provided with core relief items to meet basic needs

215,964 (54,050 in November) persons who have been assisted with seasonal relief items*

95,586 (1,047 in November) persons who received replacement of core relief items



* Including kerosene

Targets based on expected population of 250,000 Syrian refugees in Iraq by end-2014. There are currently 228,484 refugees.