

LRP New Partners Briefing & Onboarding **LEBANON** Response Plan March 20, 2024

Agenda

I. Welcome New Partners!

2. Overview of the Lebanon Response Plan

- Headlines on the LRP
- Coordination of the humanitarian/stabilization response in Lebanon
- In Focus: Response to Escalation of Hostilities in South Lebanon
- 3. 'Mainstreaming' Across Sectors
- 4. 2023 End of Year Reporting
- 5. Information Management Tools
- 6. Reporting and Knowledge Management



- Al-Shouf Cedar Society
- Amalouna
- Armadilla Coop Onlus Middle East Coordination
- Awareness and Consolation Association
- Blue Mission
- Business Incubation Association in Tripoli
- Centro Laici Italiani per le Missioni
- Chaine de l'espoir
- Compassion Protestant Society
- Embrace
- Haqi-Awrath
- Himaya Daee Aataa (HDA) Association
- Ibdaa w Najah
- Irshad & Islah
- Kayany Foundation
- Lebanese Council to Resist Violence Against Woman
- Lebanese Social Responsibility

- Lebanese Union for People with Physical Disabilities
- Life Project for Youth
- Loubnaniyoun
- Makhzoumi Foundation
- Masar
- Medglobal
- MMKN
- People in Need Slovakia
- Seenaryo
- Skoun
- Social Innovation Hub
- Swisscontact
- The Forum for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- Universally Specific Purposes of English and Knowledge
- Utopia
- Young Men's Christian Association

New Partners Disaggregation



Governorate Distribution

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Who is an LRP Partner?

Three categories:

- **Partners appealing directly under the LRP** Partner name listed in the LRP publication, 3Ws, sector dashboards / activity reports
- Partners implementing activities for an organization (ex: NGO sub-contracted by UN) who are appealing under the LRP "Implementing Partners" and not listed directly in the appeal Mentioned on 3Ws, sector dashboards / activity reports
- Partners who participate in the sector working groups and align their activities to the LRP (but not directly appealing) Mentioned on 3Ws, sector dashboards / activity reports

What does it mean to be an LRP "Appealing Partner"?

- Widely known that you are engaging in complementarity of activities / actions and coordinated targeting of beneficiaries
- More visibility for your organization \rightarrow increases opportunities to get funding
 - LRP Appeal will be published on global FTS
 - Your organization mentioned in LRP publications (report, dashboards, sector updates)
 - Letter of Confirmation (upon request) for you to submit to Donors, Ministries, etc.
- Capacity building & training opportunities (reporting, tensions, PSEA, environment, etc.)

Important Note:

Being an LRP appealing partner does <u>not</u> automatically secure any funding – it is still up to your organization to fundraise.



What is the Lebanon Response Plan?

- Unified response framework for crisis-affected populations in Lebanon co-led by the Government of Lebanon (GoL) and the United Nations (UN).
- Two-year humanitarian-stabilization framework (2024-2025), with annual planning.
- **Builds upon the previous** Lebanon Crisis Response Plan (LCRP) and Emergency Response Plan (ERP).
- Addresses the needs of vulnerable people across populations, including Lebanese, displaced Syrians, Palestinian Refugees from Syria (PRS), Palestine Refugees in Lebanon (PRL), migrants (and 'other' category for reporting including refugees of other nationalities).
- Includes interventions targeting **households internally displaced** due to escalation in hostilities across population groups.

The LRP Falls under the Regional Refugee and Resilience Response Plan (3RP)



Consolidates response requirements for **Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, and Türkiye**.

Targets 6.3 million refugees, asylum seekers, and stateless persons (including 5.8 million Syrians) and 6.6 million host community members.

2024 Total Requirements



Strategic Objectives



Provide immediate humanitarian assistance to vulnerable populations to ensure critical needs are met.



Support service provision through national systems including national rapid response capacity



Ensure protection of the vulnerable populations.



Reinforce Lebanon's economic, social, and environmental stability.

At a Glance



2024 vs. 2023 Sector Budgets



LRP Sector Budgets vs. Partner Appeal

Sectors	2023 LCRP Sectors Budget	2023 ERP Sectors Budget	2024 LRP Sectors Budget	Amount for 3 months South escalation response from total LRP budget	2024 LRP Partners Appeal	#Appealing partners
Basic Assistance	\$494 M		\$465 M	\$6.3 M	\$704 M	45
Education	\$363 M	\$22 M	\$284 M	\$5.1 M	\$388 M	66
Food Security and Agriculture	\$1301 M		\$780 M	\$20 M	\$550 M	68
Health	\$318 M	\$67 M	\$295 M	\$12.6 M	\$281 M	58
Protection, Child Protection, GBV	\$235 M	\$38 M	\$207 M	\$8.4 M	\$207 M	75
Shelter	\$115 M		\$100 M	\$3.8 M	\$72 M	24
WaSH	\$206 M	\$48 M	\$190 M	\$11 M	\$152 M	36
Social Stability	\$171 M		\$165 M	\$2.4 M	\$238 M	67
Livelihoods	\$248 M		\$188 M		\$220 M	85
Nutrition	\$45 M	\$11 M	\$47 M	\$2.9 M	\$9.2 M	19
Energy*	\$99 M					
Migrants*		\$12 M				
Total	\$3.59 Billion	\$200 Million	\$2.72 Billion	\$72.4 Million	\$2.82 Billion	151

*Mainstreamed in 2024

Guiding Commitments & Governing Principles

- Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus (HDPN)
- The Global Compact on Refugees (GCR)
- Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP)
- Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA)
- Gender & GBV Risk Mitigation
- Environment

- Prioritization
- Collaborative Planning for Multiple Years
- Efficient Implementation and Coordination
- Area-based Coordination
- Timely Information Sharing and Tracking
- Conflict Sensitive Approach

Planning Assumptions

Contextual assumptions that underpin the planning for 2024 include the below points. Each sector strategy also analyzes planning assumptions, risks, and mitigating measures within their respective theories of change.

- The **socio-economic crisis** in Lebanon will continue throughout 2024 to impact individuals/households, communities and institutions (following stabilization of exchange rate, increase in USD prices recorded eg. for rent).
- Critical infrastructure and basic services are at risk of further deterioration without sustained support & mediumterm solutions, contributing to higher risk of 'emergency situations' e.g. weather-related/public health as well as widespread unmet needs. Intra-communal tensions expected to be further exacerbated as a result of economic pressure and lack of access to services.
- Pending a resolution of the **crisis in Syria**, the impact on Lebanon will continue.
- Inter-communal **tensions** and public **pressure for the return** of displaced Syrians are likely to continue, inhibiting **protection space**.
- The war in Gaza is expected to have a continued impact on the hostilities in the South of Lebanon with continued hostilities and internal displacement. [3 month planning figure: 140,000 displaced/60,000 in conflict-affected areas]
- Reduction in **donor funding** to Lebanon, given the multiple crises worldwide and competing global financial priorities.
- Given the range of drivers to ongoing **individual and institutional vulnerability**, it is imperative that multi-year thinking and planning is facilitated and strengthened looking ahead to beyond 2025 (including through linkages with UNSDCF).

LRP Timeline and Progress Update

- **Needs analysis** workshops at sector and cross-sectoral level to underpin sound situation analysis.
- Sector consultations (core groups and working groups) involving national and sub-national partners to develop draft sector strategies.
- Review of sector strategies to enhance mainstreaming (protection, gender/GBV, PSEA, environment, conflict sensitivity, energy) and cross-sectoral collaboration to promote harmonization across sectors (prioritization, integration of the South escalation response).
- Memo on LRP with concept note shared by **Prime Minister to all Ministers**.
- V Updated sector strategies to be shared with inter-sector, WGs, sector leads (followed by high-level meetings with sector leads for some sectors).
- V Inter-sector PIN calculation (workshop with national-level sector coordination teams).
- V Partner Appeal Expression of Interest with draft strategies and logframes circulated to partners, and available here.
- **Partners' Training** on LRP Sector Reporting.
- Launch event at 3RP level with donors on 6 March.
- arphi Finalization steps for sector strategies: gender with age marker; final logframe following partner appeal analysis.
- 🕐 Initiation of Inter-Sector Coordination Group and related inter-sector work-planning, including on 2024 needs assessments & analysis and M&E.
- Convening Steering Committee three step approach:
 - Inaugural Steering Committee meeting to confirm concept and endorse governance ToRs to be accompanied by LRP 'launch' communications.
 - Preparatory meeting to discuss language in the LRP Chapeau (deputies/senior advisor level across GoL, UN, NGOs, donors).
 - Steering Committee meeting to endorse the LRP document.

\smile Workshop on coordination at the sub-national level.



Governance and Coordination Architecture: STILL TO BE ENDORSED BY STEERING CTTE



Sector Coordination Structure



Coordination Meetings Schedule



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March 2024

Why Coordination?

Coordination is a mechanism that ensures:

- Integrated response management through a dedicated team.
- Effectiveness and transparency of the response.
- Oversight of the overall **progress** of the response.
- **Cohesion** and **linkages** between sectors, which facilitates collaboration and prevents duplication.
- Communication and dissemination of timely and accurate information to partners.
- **Development** and **establishment** of plans, guidelines, and strategies while informing the planning and supporting sector coordinators.

National and Subnational Coordination

- National LRP Partner Meetings.
- Inter-Sector Coordination Group Meetings.
- Sector Working Groups vs. Core Groups (processes, elections, etc.).
- Subnational Meetings.



Planned Inter-Sector Response to the South Escalation



Situation Overview



Key Documents

At a Glance: Bi-Weekly Basis by OCHA At a Glance as of 21 Feb 2024



Flash Update: Bi-Weekly Basis by OCHA Flash Update #12

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Collective Sholter



southern village of Majdal Zoun claimed the lives of a five-year-old girl and a woman.

SITUATION OVERVIEW

Since the onset of cross-border attacks on October 8, 2023, tensions along the Israel-Lebanon border have significantly ntensified over the past two weeks. This period has been characterized by increased military activities and intensified airstrikes, resulting in the highest civilian casualties seen in over four months of cross-border exchanges.

On 10 February, three civilians, among them a Syrian national, lost their lives, and several others were injured in southern _ebanon. This followed a drone attack by Israel in Jadra, northern Saida, and artillery shelling targeting the Houla border rillage. During this incident, a drone also launched a missile toward a mosque in Houla village.

Subsequently, on 14 February, the Israeli military announced an escalation in airstrikes targeting southern Lebanon, striking various towns and villages. These airstrikes resulted in the deaths of ten civilians, including three children.

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Displacement Tracking: Weekly Basis by IOM https://dtm.iom.int/lebanon



Ongoing Response





What are the Mainstreaming Areas under the LRP?

There are six cross-cutting issues mainstreamed across sectors under the LRP:

Conflict Sensitivity



Protection



Gender & GBV



Prevention of Sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA)

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Conflict Sensitivity Mainstreaming Priorities 2024

- Knowledge Sharing: opening up tensions data among LRP actors and disseminating knowledge and sharing lessons learned (i.e. conflict-sensitive M&E).
- Data Visibility and Outreach: increasing data uptake and outreach between partners using user-friendly innovation streams (i.e. portals, dashboards, etc.).
- Linking up to the Conflict Sensitivity global hubs: aligning the humanitarian-stabilization landscape in Lebanon with global Conflict Sensitivity best practices.
- Scale up of Conflict Sensitivity Training: expanding the pool of trainees on conflict sensitivity and Do No Harm on both individual practitioner and institutional levels.
- Supporting Collective Learning: engaging in high-level conflict sensitivity policy development including with donors.

Conflict Sensitivity Focal Point: Nisreen Jaafar, Conflict Analysis and Mainstreaming Officer (UNDP) Email: <u>nisreen.jaafar@undp.org</u>

Protection Mainstreaming Priorities 2024

- Maintain existing protection analysis to enhance an inter-sectoral approach to the analysis of age, gender, disability, and diversity factors across community groups where possible, filling identified data gaps and ensuring protection risks are considered and mitigated across sectors.
- Work closely with other sectors to identify protection risks and implement concrete mitigation measures through their annual work plans with focused support provided to Shelter, Basic Assistance, Health and WASH sectors.
- To support in capacity building and training provision for relevant stakeholders across sectors on Protection mainstreaming and legal topics
- Extract disaggregated data across sectors to ensure analysis of cross-sectoral vulnerabilities
- Ensure workplans of all sectors consider protection mainstreaming action points with reporting back to Protection sector leads and Inter-Sector Coordination
- Develop **protection referral pathways** to enhance the use, accuracy and timeliness in protection referrals
- Accountability to Affected Populations will continue to be central to the response. At a minimum, trainings on the Inter-Agency referral tools will be provided, the Inter-Agency online service mapping and referral reporting system will be maintained and updated.
- Enhanced **analysis of Complaint and Feedback mechanisms** are safely accessible and cross-sectoral reporting on key results is shared and programs are adapted, where needed.
- The Protection Mainstreaming Community of Practice will continue to support staff across sectors, who are working within their organizations on protection mainstreaming and related cross-cutting topics. It will be a space to support learning needs and best practices and technical trainings and events will be arranged.

Protection Focal Point: Sophie Etzold, Protection and GBV Sector Coordinator (UNHCR) Email: <u>etzold@unhcr.org</u>

Gender & GBV Mainstreaming Priorities 2024

- Include gender priorities in Annual Work Plans Based on sectoral Gender Action Plans.
- Continue sector trainings and mentoring and support of sectors gender and GBV focal points.
- Rollout and sensitization of partners on sectors Tipsheets.
- Support to expand and update gender analysis draft gender briefings .
- **Review annual work plans of all sectors a**nd provide support and monitor gender and GBV mainstreaming regularly.
- Inter-Agency GBV Safety Audit at country-wide level to be done with involvement of sectors.
- Enhance the use of GBVIMS data and trends as well as GBV trend analysis to ensure risk mitigation.
- Strengthen work with other sectors on timely and effective GBV Referrals through updated Referral Pathways.

Gender & GBV Focal Point: Simona Pari, Inter-Agency Gender Specialist (UNDP) & Pamela Di Camillo, Gender & GBV Task Force Co-Lead (UNFPA) Emails: simona.pari@undp.org and dicamillo@unfpa.org

PSEA Mainstreaming Priorities 2024

- Provide ongoing training and mentorship to PSEA Focal Points and mainstream PSEA within Sectors.
- Rollout **PSEA preparedness Tipsheets** to prevent and respond to SEA.
- Enhance the use of the **SEA Risk Assessment tool** to minimize and mitigate SEA risks.
- Strengthen work with other sectors on timely and effective **SEA Reporting and referral**.
- Coordinate with all sectors on a regular basis to provide support on PSEA mainstreaming.

The full set of PSEA Network resources is available here.

PSEA Focal Point: Elisa Cappelletti, PSEA Network Coordinator (OCHA) Email: <u>cappelletti@un.org</u>

Environment Mainstreaming Priorities 2024

- I. Strengthen the adoption of the environmental marker for screening of project with reporting through <u>ActivityInfo</u>.
- 2. Improve project design to ensure sustainability of the intervention, including but not limited to environmental sustainability and climate proofing. Joint social and environmental results are strongly encouraged.
- 3. Improve reporting on environmental metrics, including committed financial resources.

Resources available here:

- Environmental Marker Guide.
- Training resources on solid waste management, water and wastewater management, and natural resources management, and project climate-proofing.

The ETF is available to support the sectors as needed. Periodic meetings will be held to brainstorm on needs and possible collaboration avenues.

Environment Focal Point: Nour Masri, Environment Task Force Coordinator (MoE) Email: <u>masri.nour@gmail.com</u>
Mainstreaming Components

Shifting from Energy Sector to Mainstreaming Energy

 Energy Mainstreaming is led by the Ministry of Energy and Water (MoEW) and coordinated by UNDP – members will be WASH, Education, Health, Social Stability, Livelihoods and Shelter sectors.

The role of the task force will be to ensure

- Coordination of who is doing what, where
- Discuss the challenges and gaps across sectors
- Sharing of lessons learnt and technical guidelines
- Draft key recommendations for sectors
- Consolidate reporting
- Energy interventions under the LRP focuses on short- and medium-term projects to directly address the impact of the multiple crises on the sector (however, it does not cover reform which sits under the (3RF)
- Energy interventions must build upon national strategies, including the Policy Paper for the Electricity sector (MoEW, 2010), which was updated in 2019, along with national action plans for renewable energy and energy efficiency
- Prioritization is on ensuring: conflict sensitive interventions larger scale impact legality of interventions.

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2023 End of Year Reporting

LCRP 2023 Key Results



- > US \$465 million injected into Lebanon's economy through cash-based interventions for vulnerable families = 1/3rd of total funding of \$1.3 billion.
- 2.1 million **food** assistance services (both in-kind and cash-based).
- 324,472 economically vulnerable households received regular, unconditional, and unrestricted cash grants.
- > 3M consultations were provided to about 1.5M individuals through MoPH Primary Healthcare Centers, around 1.7M individuals access free-of-charge medication for chronic and acute diseases.
- > 263,360 caregivers of children under 5 reached with messages on breastfeeding, Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF), responsive care and feeding, healthy diets, and maternal nutrition.
- 910,478 primarily Lebanese individuals living in permanent residences were provided access to an adequate quantity of safe.
 water in their dwellings; over 3 million individuals are estimated to have benefited from around 400,000 cubic meters of water per day.

2023 End of Year Reporting LCRP 2023 Key Results

- I,038 public schools supported with school funds & parent council funds in 1,074 schools: Education made available to 279,687 Lebanese & 248,025 non-Lebanese students.
- ~ 900,000 individuals benefited from a variety of protection interventions, including 331,583 for legal services and advocacy, and 345,504 for community-based protection, empowerment, and prevention programs.
- Child protection services reached 11,245 children (4,099 girls and 7,146 boys) & 26,816 girls, boys, and caregivers accessed psychosocial support.
- **GBV** service providers offered services (case management, psychosocial support, recreational activities- for GBV survivors for 52,178 individuals in safe spaces.
- Assistance provided 18,018 micro and small businesses through financial resources, cash, and in-kind grants
- 19,909 individuals (55% Lebanese and 45% displaced Syrians) able to access temporary employment opportunities under laborintensive programs.
- 201,753 individuals (51% women) living in temporary shelters supported to maintain their dwellings at livable and safe conditions.
- Social Stability sector partners implemented 237 municipal or cluster level basic services and solid waste management projects, supporting 400 municipalities and public institutions; & 10,834 individuals participated in 179 community events organized by the "Conflict Prevention Mechanisms".

2023 End of Year Reporting

Support to Lebanese

- **1,662,669 subsidized health consultations** were provided to vulnerable Lebanese.
 - ~ 680,000 Lebanese with improved access to safe water for drinking and domestic use & ~ 2.25 M Lebanese maintaining consistent and reliable access to water.
- **277,000** Lebanese children able to enroll in **public schools** in the 2022-2023 school year.
- 75,752* Lebanese households accessed regular, unrestricted and unconditional cash assistance through National Poverty Targeting Programme & NGOs & 468,490* Lebanese benefitted from cash assistance through the Food Security and Agriculture sector.
- I81 Municipalities supported to strengthen basic service provision, with \$30 M invested in municipal/community support projects.
- 18,018 Lebanese MSMEs supported with cash and in-kind grants & \$1.6 M invested in labour-intensive public work projects, with 10,867 Vulnerable Lebanese engaged.
- **35,621** Lebanese reached through activities on **Gender and GBV** in safe spaces or at community level.
 - **184,173 Lebanese children** under 5 were screened for acute **malnutrition** at PHC and at community levels.
 - 8,243 vulnerable Lebanese supported with cash-for-rent and shelter upgrades.

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What are the different IM Tools?

The Lebanon Information Hub is an online platform hosting all Information Management (IM) tools.

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Data Portal	Inter-Sector Service Mapping	Activity Info	Refugee Lebanon
Main gateway to operational data/	Mapping of services and assistance in all governorates, including referral pathways & 5W information.	Partners' activity/output reporting tool.	Webpage providing information on all humanitarian aid services available in Lebanon.

What are the different IM Tools?



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Reporting and Knowledge Management

LRP Reporting, Information Products, and Tools

The yearly **Reporting Calendar** ensures these products are finalized and circulated in a timely manner

Reporting

- Statistical & Sector dashboards (monthly, quarterly, and annual).
- Public Institutions Support (PIST) Report (annual).
- Funding Update (quarterly).
- LRP Annual Report.

Information Products

- LRP Inter-Sector Situation Update (quarterly).
- Assessments (e.g. VASyR, VARON, Tensions surveys, etc.)
- In Focus Report.

Tools

- Sectoral technical guidance, minimum standards.
- LCRP Service Mapping.

Reporting and Knowledge Management

Communication and Access to LCRP Products and Tools

Partners/donors/NGOs and interested individuals can subscribe to the Inter-Agency mailing list to receive updates related to the response across all sectors and areas through the <u>Contact Hub</u> Inter-Agency Coordination Mailbox

Data Portal Lebanon Information Hub

Reporting and Knowledge Management

How to Subscribe to the Inter-Agency Mailing List

To receive inter-agency updates and invitations to meetings, or to sign up for a specific sector working group, please subscribe to the inter-sector mailing list(s). You can choose which specific sector(s) and which field office(s) you would like to subscribe to.

How to Subscribe:

- I. Visit the Lebanon Information Hub: <u>https://ialebanon.unhcr.org/</u>
- 2. Scroll down to find the following icon and click on it.



- 3. Fill in all the required information, including your name, email address, and other relevant details. **Note:** If your organization name is not listed, you can select "**other organization**" or a similar option.
- 4. Click the "Add record" button to proceed.
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- 6. Once you have added all the related sectors, click on the "Save record" button to complete the subscription process.
- 7. To unsubscribe from the mailing lists in the future, simply click <u>unsubscribe</u>.



Key Links

- <u>3RP Regional Strategic Overview 2024</u>
- <u>Lebanon Information Hub</u>
- LRP Draft Sector Strategies and Logframes 2024
- LRP Coordination Meeting Schedule 2024
- LRP Sector Coordination Teams 2024
- <u>LCRP End of Year LCRP Inter-Sector Dashboard for 2023</u>
 Note: Links to all the Sector EoY dashboards are available within the Inter-Sector dashboard.
- LCRP End of Year Support to Lebanese Dashboard: <u>Arabic</u> and <u>English</u>
- LCRP End of Year Funding Update 2023

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