



### **Lebanon Winter Preparedness & Response Paper – 2025-2026**

Building on lessons from previous years, and considering the shifting context for this year, the 2025-2026 winter response leverages established preparedness actions at both household and community levels with a focus on high-altitude areas where winter conditions are most severe. Winter-focused interventions are conducted in North and Akkar, Bekaa and Baalbeck El-Hermel, Beirut and Mount Lebanon, and South and Nabatieh across the Shelter, WaSH, Food Security and Agriculture, and Social Stability sectors, including cash-based assistance as part of a multi-sectoral response. This paper provides an overview of the preparedness, response, challenges, and recommendations for the Winter 2025-2026 season. The paper is available [here](#) and the summary At a Glance is available [here](#).

### **UNHCR-Supported Voluntary Repatriation of Syrian Refugees in Lebanon – 30 September 2025**

This overview was prepared by UNHCR to provide an update on the Voluntary Repatriation (VolRep) of Syrian Refugees in Lebanon. Since January 2025, 294,912 Syrian individuals known to UNHCR have been inactivated from UNHCR's database due to confirmed and presumed returns to Syria. By the end of September, a total of 17,291 Syrian individuals known to UNHCR underwent the facilitated VolRep programmes, including completing voluntariness assessments, issuance of Repatriation Forms, and provision of a return cash grant of USD 100 per returning individual. Since July, over 118,764 Syrian individuals have expressed interest in the UNHCR-facilitated VolRep program in general. Since expressions of interest was opened for registration in July, 118,764 Syrian individuals remain pending to be processed for the UNHCR-facilitated VolRep program in general. UNHCR and IOM have also processed the organized return of over 351 Syrian individuals through Masnaa border to Rural Damascus, Damascus, Homs, Hama, and Idlib. A schedule of 10 further organized returns for the remainder of the year has also been announced. The latest update on VolRep is available [here](#).

### **Water Tensions Note & Conflict Sensitivity Guidance for WaSH Partners – 2025**

The Tensions Monitoring System in collaboration with the WaSH sector in Lebanon has launched two knowledge products for 2025: the "Water Tensions Note" and the "Conflict Sensitivity Guidance for WaSH Partners in Lebanon". The Water Tensions Note aims at supporting sector partners prioritize interventions that can mitigate tensions related to water issues including quality, quantity, and access. The note includes an overview of the tensions landscape, risks and corresponding recommendations, geographical factsheets and a hotspot map. The Conflict Sensitivity Guidance for WaSH Partners in Lebanon provides practical sector-specific considerations for partners implementing or planning to implement WaSH activities in the existing landscape. It covers aspects of transparency, localized communication plans and new solutions to old problems. Recommendations aim at informing conflict-sensitive programming and facilitating prioritization. Both products are available on the TMS portal under the Sector Packages [here](#). For additional information, please contact [tms.lb@undp.org](mailto:tms.lb@undp.org).

### **Gender Based Violence (GBV) Services Leaflet and Key Messages – 2025**

The Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Core Group has developed leaflets on GBV services and key messages to be disseminated widely across the communities. In a user-friendly language, the leaflet explains the different types of gender-based violence, key response services such as case management, and clinical management of rape, legal and psychosocial support and access to safe shelter to accommodate those at high risks and physical protection needs. It also provides guidance on where to find help and how to help someone who has experienced GBV. It also explains what essential information to include and what details to exclude when you call for help, whether for yourself or someone else. The leaflets are available [here](#) in seven languages: [Arabic](#); [English](#); [Amharic](#); [Bengali](#); [French](#); [Swahili](#); [Tagalog](#).

### **Food Security & Agriculture Sector Newsletter #11 – 31 August 2025**

The Food Security and Agriculture (FSA) newsletter aims to provide updates to FSA sector partners and stakeholders on the latest developments and products related to the response and coordination. It serves as a tool for sharing key information, ensuring regular communication with our partners, and enhancing collaboration within the sector. This month's newsletter highlights the sector's continued commitment to resilience, coordination, and preparedness for Q4 2025. From scaling up food assistance to expanding agricultural support and enhancing conflict sensitivity, the sector's shared work remains vital in responding to evolving needs. The FSA sector newsletter is available [here](#).