

# IRAQ: RRP6 MONTHLY UPDATE - APRIL

## WASH



**113,981** Syrian refugees living in camps in Iraq were reached with WASH services

### APRIL HIGHLIGHTS:

#### WASH Coordination and Camp Level Work Plans

Government and partners held 3 coordination meetings in Erbil and Dohuk governorate levels and camp level WASH coordination meetings in Domiz, Kawergosk, and Qushtapa. In other camps (Basirma, Gawilan, Kandala, Akre, and Darashakran) WASH issues are covered in overall camp coordination meetings. In Sulaimanyah, a technical coordination meeting took place between UNICEF, UNHCR, Government Institutions and NGOs to assess the progress and plan infrastructures works including WASH in the permanent Arbat camp.

In Erbil governorate, WASH gaps and priorities were identified at camp level and WASH work plans have been developed and shared with partners. The same exercise is planned for the Dohuk governorate in May.

#### Technical Working Groups

A technical working group for Special Needs has been established with representation from WASH, Shelter and Protection Sectors. The WASH partners are ensuring that latrine, shower and water points are appropriately designed.

In Domiz, specific technical working groups for Water Conservation, Sanitation Improvement are active and are establishing implementable steps to reduce water wastage and to guide the step by step path forward to improve sanitation at the household level.

On April 15, the Hygiene Promotion working group organized camp clean-up day in Domiz. An estimated 100 community mobilizers worked with refugee leaders to educate, motivate and encourage camp residents to improve environmental sanitation.

#### Key WASH Highlights from Camps

**Domiz:** The Water network has been extended to serve three additional blocks in the camp. Water supply is between 56-74 liter per person per day. Water Quality testing is ongoing.

**Arbat Permanent Camp:** Water and Sewer networks are completed for 512 households. Both available boreholes will be developed and tested and based on the results pumps will be designed and will be replaced.

**Qushtapa, Basirma, Kawergosk:** WASH infrastructure works in permanent areas are moving forward, with technical implementation plans being developed to ensure appropriate sequencing of construction.



### NEEDS ANALYSIS:

Government and partners are currently meeting the minimum guideline for water provision for KRG (50 liters per person per day). As temperatures increase, we are seeing a spike in water usage and camp residents are calling for an increase in the amount of water being provided. Due to high usage many residents are reporting water shortages and unequitable access. Camp administrators, WASH partners and government authorities are working together to reduce water waste, implement water conservation measures and collaborate with camp WASH committees to address these issues.

Supporting the transition to sustainable WASH solutions is capital intensive. Water networks exist in some camps, however in other camps design of water network/implementation of water works are in progress.

### SYRIAN REFUGEE POPULATION IN IRAQ:

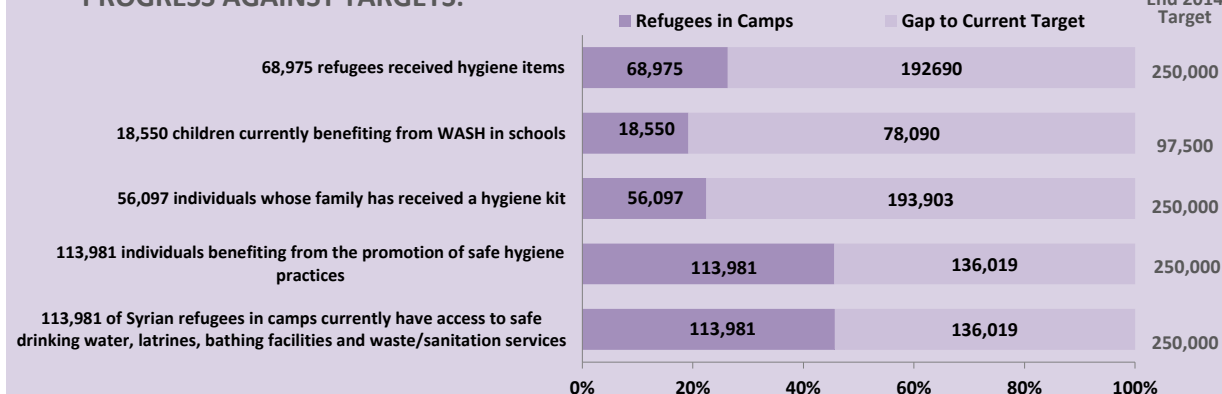
**223,113**

Current Refugee Population

**400,000**

Expected Refugee Population by end-2014

### PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS:



Targets based on expected population of 400,000 Syrian refugees in Iraq by end-2014. There are currently 223,113 Syrian refugees in Iraq.



\* These figures represent 98,309 registered individuals and 15,672 persons awaiting registration.

Figures based on received partners reports. Leading Agencies: UNICEF - Adam Thomas, adthomas@unicef.org; UNHCR Pankaj Singh