



36% increase in the registered non-camp population since beginning of 2014.

MAY HIGHLIGHTS:

Registration of camp and non-camp Syrian refugees, under the supervision of the Ministry of Interior, continued to take place during the month of May. By the end of May 2014, all 23 mobile coordination centers had been transferred to the Government of Turkey for their deployment to the field. Active mobile coordination centres have been observed in Hatay, Kilis, Osmaniye, Adana, Gaziantep, and Sanliurfa provinces.

UNHCR field teams continued to support protection activities, carrying out over 100 visits to camps and urban areas during the month of May. They continued to provide technical advice to camp management, and assessed the situation in urban areas under their respective areas of responsibility. UNHCR monitored the voluntary return procedure for a total of 191 cases/774 persons in the camps.

Two different training programs were carried out by UNHCR during the reporting period. One training targeted interpreters involved in refugee status determination and other interviews and protection interventions in Istanbul. The training provided an introduction to the mandate of UNHCR, international protection, the code of conduct, and the do-no-harm principle. The training targeted a total of 17 interpreters. UNHCR additionally carried out an induction training on international protection and refugee law for approximately 30 government officials who work on asylum and refugee issues.

As of end of the month, 41 youth workers employed by the Turkish Red Crescent are providing services in the Child Friendly Spaces (CFSs) that have been established in 21 camps by UNICEF. Since July 2013, 32,368 children from the camps have participated in CFS activities. In addition, as the part of ongoing technical assistance to GoT, UNICEF facilitated a Child Protection in Emergency Training Program, for 46 AFAD staff working on psychosocial response in the camps.

IOM provided transportation assistance to 3,037 Syrian refugees in Adiyaman camp to access health facilities and markets outside the camps. IOM additionally provided transportation for 39 persons transferred between Kahramanmaraş, Viransehir and Nusaybin camps, bringing the total to 16,247 refugees assisted in 3 camps since the beginning of 2014.

Within UNFPA's programme evaluation framework, and in relation to the recently completed UNFPA pilot programme in Nizip 1 camp, a field visit was conducted by a team of UNFPA evaluators in order to interview Syrian refugee women and camp managers. The evaluation report is now being finalized and will be shared in the near future. It is expected that results will guide future planning and activities.



Finger printing , during registration procedures - Midyat-Mardin Camp, UNHCR 2014



The Government of Turkey takes the lead role for determining and implementing assistance provided to Syrian refugees, through the Prime Ministry Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD). AFAD reports spending 3 billion USD on the Syrian Refugee Response in Turkey.

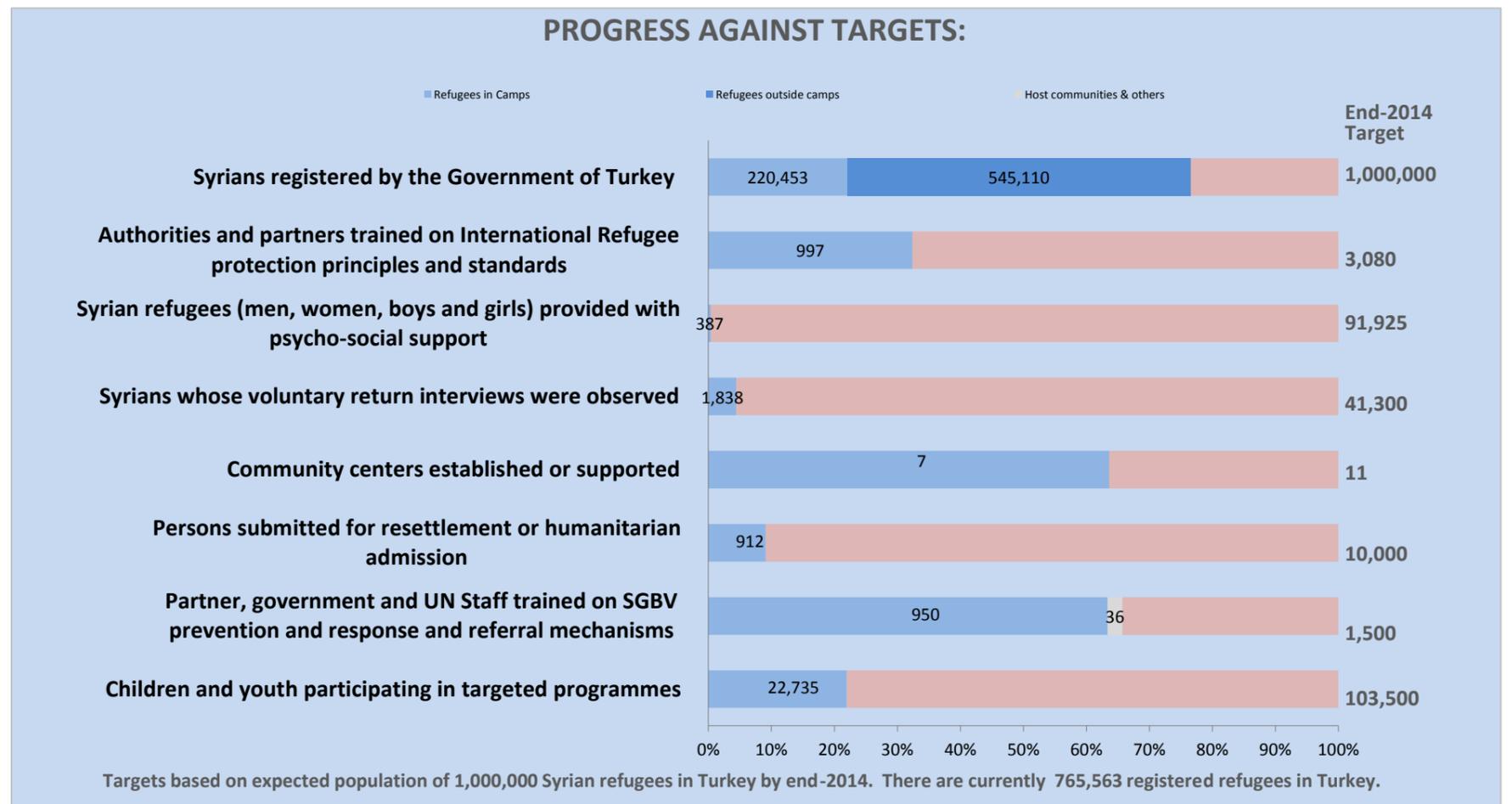
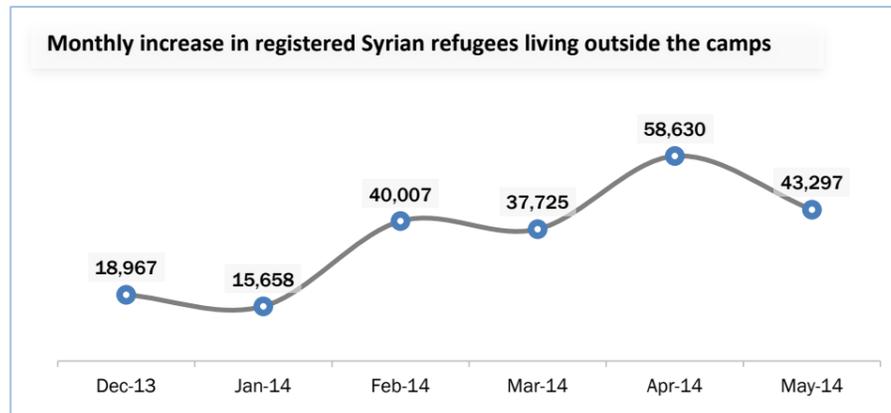
NEEDS ANALYSIS:

Syrian refugees continue to benefit from temporary protection in Turkey, with the Government being the provider of first response. Although the GoT has a robust legal systems and national legislation to ensure protection to persons of concern, the large number of Syrian refugees has overwhelmed national structures and affected their capacity to cope with the needs of the population.

For example, as reported by the Government, at least 50% of the refugee population are in need of psychological support, and half of the refugee population are children, with an estimated 4.5% of them married. Child protection and SGBV activities remain key priorities and areas of engagement with the Government and NGOs.

Key protection priorities include:

- Addressing the psychosocial needs of refugees in both camps and urban areas.
- Addressing child protection issues, including violence against children, early marriages, and low school enrolment for the non-camp population.
- Advocacy and capacity building with the relevant authorities and on the prevention and responses for protection risks faced by children and adults.
- Promotion and support for refugee committees, including women, youth and elderly committees, inside camps and outreach to non-camp refugees.
- Training and provision of technical support for social workers and other service providers on psychosocial support and on SGBV prevention and response.
- Provision of technical support on counter-trafficking and migration management.
- Pursuing resettlement as a durable solution for refugees identified as having the most urgent protection needs.



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