

# Protection Working Group Jordan

Meeting Minutes  
8 October 2014



**Agencies present: AVSI, IATF/ISWG, IMC, INTERSOS, IOM, MPDL, NRC, UNHCR, UNICEF, UPP, DFID, WVI, and UNFPA.**

## **1: JRP Refugee needs assessment**

The document is still under review and will first be shared with Sector members before it is presented to the two line ministries - Ministry of Social Development (Social Protection Task Force) and Ministry of Justice (Access to Justice Task Force) for validation. The deadline for submitting comments is October 10, 2014.

### **Upcoming events**

- October 08, 2014- A meeting to review the assessment with the Ministry of Social Development.
- October 12, 2014- A meeting to review the assessment with the Ministry of Justice.
- October 15, 2014 - A planning meeting organized by MOPIC/JRP Secretariat to finalize the assessment.
- October 26-28, 2014- Working with government counterparts to identify sector specific projects.
- December 15, 2014- Plan launch.

### **Action points**

- UNHCR to compile comments made to the document and send out to all members.
- HelpAge/Handicap International to send disaggregated data on groups that have special needs, if available.
- UNICEF/ILO to send disaggregated information on early marriages and child labor respectively.

## **2: Draft objectives and outputs for JRP**

[Please see attached Presentation]

The list of objectives and outputs was agreed upon by the Sector Working Group 3 weeks ago and is slightly different from those used in the RRP6 2014. These will be shared with the Sector

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Working Group for validation before sending them to line ministries for endorsement. The objectives and outputs are broad but agencies will be requested to report against disaggregated indicators under the different outputs.

Sector Working Group will meet to validate the objectives and outputs before they are submitted to the government. Any comments on the draft objectives/outputs should be provided by email by October 16, 2014.

## **3. Update on arrivals from Iraq**

Since the year began, Jordan has received 12,787 refugees from Iraq. Most of the current arrivals are Christian Iraqis that are fleeing religious persecution from the Islamic State (IS). Currently 88% of the refugees live in Amman, 5.3% in Zarqa and the remaining population in Balqa and Irbid. Those who are unable to cater for themselves are receiving assistance from Caritas who are providing them with food, shelter and medical assistance.

UNHCR is appealing to donors to assist the refugees especially during the winter period.

## **4. AOB**

### **Agenda for next meeting**

- JRP update
- Follow up/updates on border issues and/or Update on MOI Service Cards
- PSEA network/complaint mechanisms and follow up

### **Protection FAQ**

- Reviewed focal point lists per thematic sectors and updated UNHCR FAQs document in August and mid-September. These two documents will be sent out to the group as soon as possible.

### **Food assistance**

Refugees will receive vouchers for the value of 24 JOD for the month of October. November and December financial support has not yet been confirmed but will be communicated as soon as possible.

**Next meeting:** Two weeks – 22 October. Proposal to change regular meeting time to 9:00am-11:00am.

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