



The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence campaign began across the region during November

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

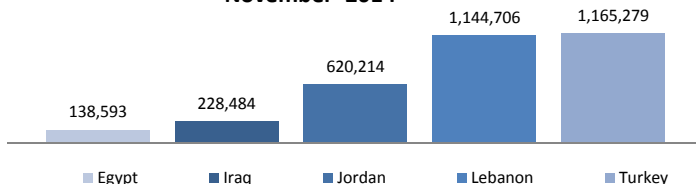
The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) began across the region in November. In the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, the Sector supported the launch of a campaign which will include various conferences and focus group discussions. In Lebanon, over 24 partners contributed to a campaign focusing on prevention and response to early marriage, engaging men and boys in preventing SGBV, and reinforcing access to justice and protection for survivors. In Jordan, awareness-raising on key SGBV messages took place in camps and host communities.

Legal counselling and assistance continue to play an important role in the RRP6 response for Syrian refugees. In Egypt, more than 510 refugees have been provided with counselling since the start of 2014. In Lebanon, almost 32,000 people have benefited from individual legal counselling, while more than 110,000 people have participated in legal awareness sessions since the start of the year. In Turkey around 50 lawyers and 90 national government counterparts were trained during November on international refugee law and national legislation.

Resettlement and humanitarian admission to third countries proceeds as planned. Some 7,240 Syrian refugees have been submitted so far this year from Lebanon, 5,650 from Jordan, 4,915 from Turkey, 1,390 from Egypt, and 320 from Iraq. This brings the total to just under 19,500 so far this year.

In Turkey, the Child Rights Committees have initiated several projects, including agreeing with the theme of the Children's Forum as "Children in Emergencies." In Egypt, a draft decree has been presented for comment regarding the framework for the Child Protection Committee. In Iraq, partners have held various "Prevention of Early Marriage" campaigns and discussed issues around corporal punishment and drop out rates with school management. In Lebanon the sector finalized its participatory assessment in the south of the country to identify the main concerns children have in their daily lives.

Syrian Refugees registered or awaiting registration, 30 November 2014



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SYRIAN REFUGEES IN THE REGION:

3,297,276

Refugee Population, end-November 2014

3,590,000

Refugee Population Planning figure, end-2014

NEEDS ANALYSIS:

Syrian refugees continue to seek safety and protection in large numbers in host countries in the region. On average more than 100,000 newly arriving refugees have been registered every month since the beginning of 2014. Maintaining access to safety for those fleeing conflict and continued protection from refoulement are the fundamental tenets of protection, and key elements of the protection response are registration, including through verification and renewal of documentation, the multi-sectoral prevention and safe response services to sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) and child protection systems as well as community participation and empowerment. The focus on communities hosting refugees also remains a key element of the regional protection strategy.

Increased mainstreaming of protection in all humanitarian actions and sectors is required to prevent, identify, and address potential rights violations - particularly for women, children, and others with specific needs. In this respect, an important priority is to reach out to new partners, including community-based and faith-based organizations, to more effectively coordinate interventions and to ensure that services are delivered in a non-discriminatory manner in accordance with protection and humanitarian principles.

As the refugee crisis shows no sign of ending, with limited prospects for voluntary return in safety, strengthening the resilience of refugees becomes essential. At the same time, increased resettlement, humanitarian and other forms of admission of refugees to host countries outside the region form part of the protection strategy, offering protection and a durable solution for some of the most vulnerable refugees.

REGIONAL RESPONSE INDICATORS: JANUARY TO NOVEMBER 2014

3,297,276 Syrian refugees currently registered or awaiting registration with UNHCR or Government authorities

3,297,276

Planned Response, by end-2014
3,590,000

19,518 Syrian refugees submitted for resettlement or humanitarian admission to third countries

19,518

20,200

84,566 people who are victims or at risk of SGBV receiving specialist support

84,566

115,000

798,633 children receiving psychosocial support

798,633

748,000

22,256 children who are victims or at risk receiving specialist child protection support

24,067

42,000

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Planned response based on full funding of RRP6 for an expected population of 3.59 million Syrian refugees in the region by end-2014. As at end-November 2014, there were 3.29 million refugees in the region and the overall RRP6 appeal was 53% funded.