

Activities being implemented across the region in camps, informal settlements and in urban, peri-urban and rural areas

HIGHLIGHTS:

In various governorates of Lebanon, shelter assistance is being provided for site improvement of 45 informal settlements. This includes draining and leveling sites, enhancing shelters, distributing insulation material and fire extinguishers, as well as messaging to refugees how to reduce the risk and prevent fire. Shelter agencies continue to rehabilitate substandard shelters in various governorates to improve the standard of shelters and ensure security of tenure, as the rehabilitation works are conducted in exchange for a normally 12 month period of ensured occupancy.

In Jordan, 1,022 beneficiaries have been accommodated in upgraded shelters in different governorates. 1,779 benefited from the Cash for Rent project in Irbid, Mafraq, Zarqa and Ajloun, and 91 housing units have been completed in unfinished buildings in Irbid, Jerash and Ajloun. A joint plan for Accessible Shelter Project in Zaatar Camp has assessed 86 households of different disability needs to better understand the shelter conditions and gaps of people with disabilities, and be able to realize different valid shelter modification requirements if needed.

In Iraq, the total shelter capacity of Syrian refugee camps is now nearly 20,000 shelter units, of which almost 16,000 (81 per cent) are now finalized (provided with concrete slab, kitchen, family latrine and shower) and more than 15,000 occupied (about 75,000 individuals). The construction of 2,528 improved shelters is planned for this year, of which 1,090 (43 per cent) have been completed and occupied. After completion of the remaining shelters, 96.5 per cent of in camp refugee population will have access to improved shelter. Since the beginning of the year in Sulaymaniyah and Erbil 552 Households received rental support.

NEEDS ANALYSIS:

Around 90 per cent of the over 4.8 million registered Syrian refugees in the five host countries - Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq and Egypt - are living in urban, peri-urban and rural settings. This has led to a greater demand for housing affecting both host communities and refugees alike, as shelter remains one of the key pressing needs. The number of refugees living in sub-standard or overcrowded shelters and in poor neighbourhoods has increased considerably, mainly due to the increase in the number of refugees and rise in their vulnerability levels.

The priority for the Shelter Sector in 2016 remains ensuring adequate, affordable and sustainable housing options, primarily for refugees living in urban and rural areas, but also for vulnerable host community members.

Partners are working on addressing both the short- and longer-term shelter needs for the most vulnerable refugees and also those from the host communities. Studies have shown that there is a continuing increase in vulnerability which has impacted the refugees' ability to cover their shelter needs, particularly those in urban, peri-urban and rural settings.

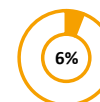


Zaatar camp by night. UNHCR/Jared Kohler

Sector Response Summary:



**2,238,600 Refugees & Local
Community Members targeted
for assistance by end of 2016**
132,030 assisted in 2016



Syrian Refugees in the Region:



**4,740,000 Syrian Refugees
expected by end-2016**
4,812,000 currently registered



3RP Overall Funding Status:



USD 4.54 billion required in 2016
USD 1.41 billion received in 2016



SHELTER SITUATION UPDATE IN JORDAN CAMPS

The population of Azraq has recently increased considerably with the arrival of asylum seekers from the border (Hadalat & Ruqban). Village V and a portion of village II are used as secured transit area and are today fully occupied with approximately 16,240 refugees.

To cope with these new arrivals, UNHCR has launched the extension of village II with new blocks, corresponding to 456 new shelters. Pending additional funds, UNHCR is planning the extension of village III and village VI in the coming months with an additional batch of 1,340 Shelters. As back-up, the design of village VII will be reviewed to be eventually built beginning 2017 pending on needs.

During the month of June six new tent blocks were created to increase the capacity of the public area increasing the current capacity to 2,550 individuals.

In Zaatar, a fence art (pilot phase) was initiated which will target fenced compounds in the camp. As there are over 40 different organizations in the camp, with over 155 fenced service sites with different dimensions, most of camp sites are constricted by the same fence materials lacking friendly exterior appearance and creativity. This includes child friendly spaces and schools. The aim of this project is to tackle their visual appeal, and create shapes and installations made of recycled materials to be hung on fencing in identified themes.

An Art Gallery for Zaatar camp displaying artwork done by the refugee community will be constructed in the community centre of district 2.

REGIONAL RESPONSE INDICATORS: JANUARY - JUNE 2016

Progress Planned Response, by end-2016

2,486 households in camps received assistance for shelter and shelter upgrades

14%

18,125

23,919 households outside of camps received assistance for shelter and shelter upgrades

10%

244,995

These dashboards reflect the achievements of the more than 200 partners, including governments, UN Agencies, and NGOs, involved in the 3RP response in Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey. Progress and targets may change in line with data revisions. All data on this Dashboard is current as at 30 June 2016.