GBV SWG MoM – 27.05.2025

GBV
Sub-Working Group

Agencies present: UNHCR, UNFPA, UN women, LWF, Caritas Jordan, AWO, IOM, UNRWA, Oxfam, IRAP, NRC, JRF, JOHUD, Gage, UPP, and INTERSOS.

Agenda

- **Coordination updates (Updates from the field).**
- **Refugee Returns to Syria.**
- **Presentation by Gage on "midline report on age- and gender-based violence facing people in Jordan"**
- **Visualization of the 4Ws linked to how funding reductions effected services.**
- **AOB**

Agenda items		**Action points**
Coordination updates (Updates from the field)	Azraq Updates May 2025 - EJC closure- In the beginning of May 2025 UNHCR and concerned partners were informed about EJC closure at the end of June 2025 by Jordanian authority, therefore ad-hoc meeting took place after that and agreed on the actions to be implemented by all partners including SRAD for EJC closure: A. On 11 May a meeting took place with community Leaders in EJC with participation of SRAD in EJC and dissemination of the messages for EJC refugees, in the same day another meeting took place also with community Leaders in Azraq and dissemination of the messages at Azraq camp refugees. B. On 13–14 May: UNHCR conducted an intention survey (relocation to Azraq or return to Syria). The survey conducted via UNHCR helpline. C. On 15 May: Survey results shared with national authorities, and it was as follow: 75% of EJC refugees are welling to return back to Syria and 25% are willing to be relocated to Azraq camp. D. The counselling on return start on 18 May and the return process will be done in parallel to the relocation in Azraq camp.	

	E. Relocation process to commence by movements each group of 250 individuals from EJC to Azraq camp (5 buses + 8 Trucks). Movements will be on Sundays and Wednesdays each week. First movement was on 21 May, and it was as a test movement which consist of 82 refugees with 15 trucks. F. On 30 June: Target date for completion of the relocation and return process, therefore last week we noticed a sufficient increasing of return process in EJC, UNHCR and SRAD proceed with 300-400 refugees in daily basis at EJC. - Coordination to handle EJC CP-GBV cases. A meeting in this regard took place on 18 May with CP-GBV partners and FPJD/MoSD in EJC and Azraq Camp: • EJC partners operating in CP and GBV sectors shall share the list of active cases with UNHCR based on the consent of the beneficiaries. (Handover of active cases). • EJC partners, TDH and War Child, showed their interest in moving in and operating in Azraq camp. • MOSD/FPJD shared that they currently have a database of 56 CP/GBV in EJC cases: 11 active cases, 38 closed and 7 pending of closure. • Azraq UNHCR protection officer confirmed that No split will process for any child (child spouse, separated child, etc..) for both relocation and return to Syria as we don't have time to assess and decide the best interest of children. Other location N/A	
Refugee Returns to Syria	**UNHCR Updates on Refugee Returns** • As of May 17, 2025, a total of 507,000 POC have returned to Syria from across the region, with 865,000 returns recorded since early 2024. Specifically, from Jordan, 68,200 refugees have returned, with an average of 430 crossing the border each day. • The demographic composition of returnees remains largely unchanged: 46% are women and girls, 41% are children, and 22% are men aged 18 to 40. • The number of refugees returning to Syria from Jordan's urban areas—particularly from Amman and Irbid—is higher than the number returning from refugee camps. • UNHCR continues to support returnees by providing transportation, conducting return awareness sessions, and carrying out interviews to ensure that the decision to return to Syria is voluntary and not made under coercion. • RBD are currently sharing list of possible women and child behind CP/GBV are currently running an exercise on verifying sample cases from these lists and tracking trends.	**Syria situation: Crisis Regional Flash Update #28: Syria situation: Crisis Regional Flash Update #28 | Global Focus**

Presentation by Gage on "midline report on age- and gender-based violence facing people in Jordan"	study that was conducted by **GAGE** : • midline report and policy brief on **age- and gender-based violence** facing your people in Jordan in English and Arabic. • midline reports: on **psychosocial well-being, education, economic empowerment and SRH** can be found here	
Visualization of the 4Ws linked to how funding reductions effected services.	As consequence of the shortfall in funding, a service mapping by the GBV-SWG showed that the number of national and international NGOs providing GBV services reduced of 24% from 2024 and the target of survivors to be served in 2025 has been reduced by 85% from previous year. Link to Visualization Presentation: Document - GBV Service provision_4W2025 Regarding the **4Ws** : all the GBV service providers and NGO's agreed to update their data as the 4Ws will be visualized and shared on the UNHCR portal to ensure service providers have access to available services in a systematic manner. The members were encouraged to add contact information of CBO's and national agencies that provide GBV services to the 4Ws and GBV referral way Members of the GBV service group requested to circulate the GBV SWG invite to the CBO's and national agencies to attend in person to ensure knowledge exchange through GBVSW platform.	➢ **GBV SWG- 4Ws 2025** ➢ **GBV referral pathway (from Amaali Application)**
AOB	A presentation will be delivered by INTERSOS during the upcoming SWG meeting to update members on their project activities and the services they currently offer. Interagency unit will also present the outcome of the 2025 Prioritization exercise during the next GBV SWG meeting held on the 24th of June	