# **Update No. 11 Syria Regional Refugee Response** Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq, Turkey <sup>28 June 2012</sup>



This weekly update provides a snapshot of the United Nations and its partners' response to the influx of Syrian refugees into Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq and Turkey. The response is led by UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, and is undertaken in full coordination with host Governments. This report covers the period from 21 to 28 June 2012. The next update will be issued on Thursday, 05 July 2012.



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#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- The total number of assisted Syrian refugees in Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq and Turkey has reached 96,383 persons this week.

- On 28 June, some 7 UN agencies and 36 NGO partners appealed for USD 193 million to help Syrian refugees in Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq and Turkey. This appeal is a revision of the March Regional Response Plan that was necessary due to more than doubling of the number of Syrian refugees in the region. Only 26% of the revised Regional Response Plan is funded. Financial support to all partners is crucial to support the tremendous generosity and hospitality offered by the refugee hosting countries.

- On 20 June, World Refugee Day was commemorated in Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq and Turkey with messages of appreciation to governments and host communities for the generosity shown in hosting Syrian and other refugees.

Statistics on Syrian Refugees in the Region											
No. of Syrian	JORDAN	LEBANON	IRAQ	TURKEY	TOTALS						
Refugees											
Registered and	27,344	24,024	5,839	33,079	90,286						
Assisted											
Assisted	500	5,250	347	-	6,097**						
(awaiting											
registration)											
TOTALS	27,844*	29,274	6,186	33,079	96,383						

\* Some 35,000 - 50,000 have been identified by local organizations as in need of assistance, some of whom have been registered by UNHCR. According to the Government of Jordan, there are some 120,000 Syrians in Jordan. \*\*Figures are based on estimates and thus might vary.

### II. JORDAN

#### Highlights

- The total number of Syrian refugees registered with UNHCR stands at 27,344 They are primarily located in the cities of Amman, Ramtha, Mafraq, Irbid, Zarqa and Ma'an.

- The arrival rate witnessed a sudden rapid increase, with over 300 new individuals seeking shelter in the transit sites over the last week.



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#### **Protection/Numbers**

In a new development, more asylum seekers originate from Dara'a, constitute over 39% of all arrivals. This may reflect the escalation of violence in Dara'a town just across the border in Syria. Newcomers to the Ramtha sites continue to delay their bailing out to ensure that they are registered and this is based on the rumors that the registration will cost them 15'000 SYP as with transport costs. The provision of transportation services by bus to Amman and back has resumed for those too destitute to afford transportation from governorates outside of Amman. 55% of those who registered in Amman are Male, while 45% are female, thus only slight changes as compared to last week for both genders. In Ramtha, the percentages of males and females registered over the week, 52% are male and 48% are female.

#### Assistance/Outreach

**Transit sites:** The Jordan Hashemite Charity Organisation (JHCO) opened the King Abdullah Park transit site for single men in Ramtha on 25 June. The site is first receiving those staying at the sub-standard Stadium site. At the latter site, UNHCR and the Jordan Health Aid Society (JHAS) have strengthened medical care for asylum seekers who have undergone emergency medical care (gunshot wounds, fractures) just before arrival at the site. Recently, an increase of arrival of such cases at the Stadium site was noted. The Stadium facility is currently congested with some of the residents being there for more than two months in a poor sanitary environment. **Assistance:** In Bashabsheh, UNHCR food and NFIs distributions continued with 766 persons receiving the weekly complementary food package. **WASH:** In order to enhance hygiene and waste management at Bashabsheh usually covered by ACTED/UNICEF, UNHCR deployed 10 cleaners to the site for one day through JHAS. Site accommodations were sprinkled with insecticide. Implementation of the waste management awareness continues.

**Education:** UNICEF, in collaboration with NGO partners and the Ministry of Education have begun schoolbased remedial education classes and recreational activities this month, targeting 5,500 vulnerable Syrian and Jordanian children in 16 directorates. Summer camps in public schools are in progress in coordination with UNHCR, UNICEF and the Ministry of Education. **Health:** 451 patients received primary and secondary health care services mainly through JHAS clinics and mobile units. Six patients received in-patient services. The outbreak of pediculosis was confirmed in Cyber City and then necessary treatment was started. JHAS doctor at Cyber City reported that more than 40 persons are suffering from skin rash. Two patients were taken to specialist hospital for further medical examination and it was confirmed as scabies. Scabies treatment will be provided for all residents of Cyber city.

#### **Coordination/External Relations**

To mark the World Refugee Day, partners have organized a number of different activities within the host communities to mark the occasion and to thank the Jordanian people for the hospitality offered to numerous refugees and asylum seekers over the years. A media campaign called "Shukran" (Thank you) was launched and a lighting ceremony was held at the Citadel in downtown Amman where Government counterparts, UN agencies and NGOs working in refugee areas were invited. Working alongside the Government of Jordan, including the relevant Ministries and municipalities where large numbers of Syrians are hosted, UNHCR has worked to ensure a consolidated and coordinated Inter-Agency response, engaging fellow UN agencies and local and international non-governmental partners. UNHCR teams hold regular inter-agency meetings on a bi-weekly basis at the central level in Amman, along with regular sector working group meetings, and field coordination meetings at the field level, including in Ramtha, Mafraq, Zarqa and Ma'an. In addition, a monthly Inter-Agency briefing for donors and operational partners is facilitated in Amman by UNHCR Jordan.

## **III. LEBANON**



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#### **Protection/Numbers**

# Highlights:

-Some 27,000 Syrian refugees are being assisted throughout the country. 22,740 have been jointly registered by UNHCR and Lebanon's High Relief Commission (HRC) in the North. UNHCR and partners are assisting an additional 2,250 Syrian refugees in Tripoli and 3000 in Bekaa, who are pending registration.

- The first series of recreational activities including games for children and education classes was held at the Rama community centre in North Lebanon.

Roadblocks in Tripoli and Wadi Khaled prevented a number of UN agency and NGO staff from reaching field locations, causing delays in scheduled activities. In Bire, registration was cancelled one day due to roadblocks. In North Lebanon, door-to-door registration in Tripoli continued where 50-60 households are registered per week; an additional 333 people were registered in Akkar. In the Bekaa, UNHCR continued registration in Jdeide, registering 1,755 individuals. The Jdeide area encompasses El Hermel where there is a concentration of displaced families. The Hermel municipality facilitated the transport of these families to the central UNHCR registration site.

### Assistance/Outreach

**Food and NFIs:** Distribution of food and non-food items began in Tripoli assisting some 630 people. UNHCR, the High Relief Commission (HRC) and the Danish Refugee Council (DRC) continued centralized distribution in Bire at the Markaz el Saade center where a total of 483 people received food, hygiene and baby kits. The Machta Hammoud primary school facilitated distribution to residents from Machta Hammoud, Machta Hassan, Kharb Al Haiat and Al Ibra, assisting 665 people (137 families) with food, hygiene and baby kits. Caritas Lebanon Migrant Center (CLMC) distributed bed sheets, blankets and food

vouchers to families in Tripoli. UNFPA distributed sanitary napkins with the coordination of UNHCR and DRC. In the Bekaa Valley, distribution of food and hygiene kits helped 2,260 people (452 families) in central and west Bekaa, Arsal and Al Sahel. Mattresses were distributed by DRC to 145 of the most vulnerable people in Aarsal, Labwe, Al Ain, Baalbeck and west and central Bekaa. Shelter: In North Lebanon, the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) continued distributing shelter tool kits to host families enabling them to rehabilitate their homes: 60 beneficiaries have been identified of whom 25 received kits so far. Shelter rehabilitation was completed in 14 host family homes in Akkar. DRC is creating a rehabilitation plan for two shelters in Rashaya and Majdel Anjer in the Bekaa with the potential of hosting 110 people. In addition, shelter mapping conducted by DRC assessed where the displaced are living in the Bekaa and identified possible structures suitable for collective shelter. Health: In the North, free non-C-Section delivery for pregnant women will be provided by the International Medical Corps' (IMC) supported clinic in Makassed. Furthermore, the Makassed association is now providing free insulin medication for the displaced suffering from diabetes. The World Health Organization (WHO) is providing chronic medication to the IMC supported Macha Primary Healthcare Center. Education: In North Lebanon, Save the Children (SCS) conducted five awareness-raising sessions with parents and community members to discuss registration for the next school year and the various activities available to children this summer, including artistic workshops, summer school, drawing and drama activities during the month of Ramadan. The first series of recreational activities including games for children and education classes was held at the Rama community centre. In addition, the Dar El Shifaa hospital in Tripoli conducted an awareness session on how to deal with grief. CLMC mobile clinics assisted displaced throughout the Bekaa through medical consultations, nursing care services and provision of medications. To date, 112 services have been provided and 56 children assisted.

#### Coordination

Working alongside the Government of Lebanon, notably the High Relief Commission, the Ministry of Social Affairs and municipalities, UNHCR has worked to ensure a consolidated and coordinated inter-agency response, engaging fellow UN agencies and local and international non-governmental partners. UNHCR teams hold regular inter-agency sector-based meetings on a bi-weekly basis at the central level in Beirut, and at the field level in the North and in the Bekaa.

### IV. IRAQ



Highlights

- UNHCR registered a total 5,839 individual Syrian refugees and 347 Syrian persons are awaiting reregistration.

- As per information from Iraqi government sources, the on-going unrest in Syria has so far resulted in some 7000 Syrian nationals having crossed into Iraq since February 2012.

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#### **Protection/Numbers**

An estimated 25 families and 200 singles continue to enter the Kurdistan Region (KR) and approach the Directorate for Displacement and Migration (DDM) and UNHCR for registration on a weekly basis. The arrival trend suggests that with sustained unrest in Syria and an open door policy of KRG, UNHCR will continue to register on average of 1,000 Syrian new arrivals per month. The camp population in Domiz has reached 2,058 individuals, including 270 families, comprising 1,558 persons, and 500 singles. Of the latter, 400 persons have been relocated to small tents in a temporary site pending the construction of tent foundation, latrines, bathrooms and cooking areas. Also 100 singles continue to live nearby the camp in a mosque and big tents. In line with the Ministerial Note from the Ministry of Interior, the Residency Directorate in Duhok, started the process of granting 6 months temporary residence to the Syrians living in Domiz camp. So far, 224 families comprising 927 individuals have been provided with residency permits. UNHCR continues to conduct protection monitoring in the camp, raising awareness and conducting group discussions. Among the registered persons all over the Kurdistan region, 31 are unaccompanied minors and separated children under the age of 18, of which 7 are single females living with other families. Duhok remains host to the largest number of Syrian new arrivals, with 4,625 individuals, followed by Erbil with 836 individuals and then Suleimaniya with 378 individuals.

### Assistance/Outreach

**Shelter and Infrastructure:** A total of 324 tents have been erected. Some 34 families living in several districts in Duhok governorate have relocated to the camp. UNHCR, through its partner Qandil, has started the construction of additional 70 tent` foundations for the families as well as bathrooms, latrines and cooking areas under phase 2 of the camp` expansion. The installation process of the Rub-Hall (10X24 meters) is ongoing; the latter will be used as a warehouse for NFIs pending the identification of a warehouse in Duhok city. Some 7 rechargeable fans were distributed to 7 vulnerable families identified by UNHCR Community Service team. Two big tents have been installed in the Administration part of the camp and used as a waiting area for persons pending registration. **NFIs:** UNHCR has distributed 30 NFIs packages to 30 families and 98 NFIs packages to 392 singles; moreover, some 92 light weight tents have been distributed to 368 singles and 44 canvas tents were distributed to 39 families who have recently relocated to the camp.

**Health:** The medical unit established in the camp by DoH continues to provide daily health services to an average 40 -50 cases per day. No major health concerns were reported during the reporting week. Lack of some medicines remains a concern in the camp and MSF is conducting an assessment on available medications. **WASH:** Fayda Water Department continues the provision of potable water by tankers with a capacity of 150,000 litres per day. In addition, DoH continues the distribution of chloride tablets for family's water storage tanks every three days. UNHCR through Qandil provided 48 water tanks of 1000 liters capacity each to 48 families.In line with the expansion of the camp, a more sustainable water project with water network and required storage capacity is required. In addition to the regular garbage collection in Domiz camp by Fayda Municipality, UNHCR through Qandil hired one tractor and 8 workers among the Syrian new arrivals to remove solid items and garbage in internal roads, open spaces and the surrounding areas of Domiz camp.

**Nutrition:** DDM continues the provision of three hot meals a day to the single males, while providing dry food rations to the families who have kitchen facilities. DDM has agreed to cover additional dry food shares for families for the second half of June. WFP is looking at providing food rations to the population in Domiz

as of July, while assessing the situation of the Syrians and planning to distribute food vouchers at a later stage. **Education**: Several steps have been taken to secure education for school age children during summer time. Arrangements are in place to launch the summer education plan for 175 children; UNICEF is deploying efforts to secure the text books and the curriculum from Syria, however these efforts did not materialize and the curriculum was not obtained and is not available in Syria. UNHCR is organizing a coordination meeting with UNICEF and DoE to discuss the way forward.

#### Coordination/External Relations

UNHCR organized the World Refugee Day in Domiz camp. The event was attended by DDM Director, Fayda Municipality Representative and several NGOs and partners. The event was an opportunity to address the population and to share key messages regarding their new life in the camp, and was also an opportunity for the residents of the camp to organize and participate in musical and painting activities. UN agencies are expanding efforts to enhance the conditions in Domiz camp and assess the situation of the Syrian new arrivals. UN agencies, INGOs and NNGOs have completed the preparation for a Joint Assessment Mission (JAM) to examine the situation of Syrian new arrivals all over the Kurdistan Region, with a focus on Domiz camp in Duhok. The JAM will take place from the 1st to the 10th of July.

### **V. TURKEY**

#### Highlights

• The overall number of Syrian refugees in Turkey now stands at 33,079 persons.

#### **Protection/Numbers**

Syrian refugees in Turkey are assisted by the Turkish Red Crescent Society in the border provinces of Hatay, Gaziantep, Kilis and Sanliurfa.

As of 25 June the city breakdown in the region is as follows:

- Hatay population<sup>1</sup>: 7,461 individuals
- Gaziantep population in Islahiye<sup>2</sup>: 5,853 individuals
- Kilis population in Oncupinar container site: 10,412 individuals
- Sanliurfa population in Ceylanpinar: 9,165 individuals

#### Assistance/Outreach

**NFIs and Food:** The Government of Turkey and the Turkish Red Crescent Society continue to provide assistance to Syrian refugees registered in their camps.

**Education:** Reportedly, more than 4,251 children in Kilis, Oncupinar Container Site, 805 in Hatay and 600 in Gaziantep, Islahiye Camps are receiving education.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>: The population of the Kuyubasi/Karbeyaz, Yayladagi 2 (YIBO) and Reyhanli camps in Hatay is moved to Islahiye camp in Gaziantep and to Oncupinar container site in Kilis. It has been reported that these empty camps will be kept for a while as standby and there is some use of these camps for new arrivals.

# **VI. FUNDING**

		Received funding						
	Total					Regional funding	Total	
Organization	requirements	Jordan	Lebanon	Turkey	Iraq	to RRP	received	% funded
Multi-country - appealing organizations								
ACTED	\$1,125,000	\$0	n/a		n/a		n/a	n/a
Danish Refugee Council (DRC)	\$3,445,000	n/a	\$296,000				\$296,000	9%
Handicap international	\$2,144,000	n/a	\$1,190,610				\$1,190,610	56%
International Medical Corps (IMC)	\$1,076,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,700,000			\$127,359	\$3,327,359	n/a
International Relief and Development (IRD)	\$1,350,000	n/a	n/a				n/a	n/a
International Rescue Committee (IRC)	\$4,674,829	\$339,717			n/a		\$339,717	7%
юм	\$5,251,000	\$140,520	\$300,000	\$462,240	\$0		\$902,760	17%
Islamic Relief Worldwide (IRW)	\$1,071,469	\$0			n/a		n/a	n/a
Médecins du Monde (MD)	\$1,384,934	n/a	n/a				n/a	n/a
Mercy Corps	\$2,964,500	n/a	n/a				n/a	n/a
Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)	\$3,064,074		\$2,083,542		n/a		\$2,083,542	68%
Relief International	\$1,620,000	\$0			\$0		\$0	0%
Save the Children International	\$4,450,400	\$262,000	n/a				\$262,000	6%
UNESCO	\$1,189,188	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
UNFPA	\$3,175,000	\$200,401	\$381,562	\$0	\$0		\$581,963	18%
UNHCR	\$69,677,958	\$3,586,955	\$4,418,704	\$3,460,539	\$0	\$12,258,591	\$23,724,789	34%
UNICEF	\$20,026,000	\$2,119,061	\$1,699,589	\$406,061	\$0	\$1,368,277	\$5,592,987	28%
WFP	\$34,529,200	\$3,499,717	\$2,996,761	\$0		\$0	\$6,496,478	19%
wно	\$3,257,000	\$288,900	\$149,800	\$0			\$438,700	13%
Jordan only - appealing organizations								
AVSI	\$240,000	n/a					n/a	n/a
Care International	\$900,000	\$125,180					\$125,180	14%
Caritas	\$500,000	\$0					\$0	\$0
Center for Victims of Torture (CVT)	\$550,000	\$0					\$0	0%
International Catholic Migration Commission (	\$710,000	\$20,000					\$20,000	3%
Jordan Hashemite Charity Organizaton (JHCO)	\$7,562,059	\$2,463,651					\$2,463,651	33%
Jordan Health Aid Society (JHAS)	\$900,000	\$0					\$0	0%
Jordan Red Crescent/Qatar Red Crescent	\$1,500,000	n/a					n/a	n/a
Jordan Women Union-Un Ponte Per (JWU-UPP	\$490,000	\$21,800					\$21,800	4%
Legal Aid	\$30,000	\$0					\$0	0%
Save the Children Jordan	\$1,273,000	n/a					n/a	n/a
Lebanon only - appealing organizations							-	
Action Contra la Faim (ACF)	\$606,000		\$161,500				\$161,500	27%
Amel	\$802,000		\$521,975				\$521,975	65%
Caritas Lebanon Migrant Center (CLMC)	\$1,386,000		\$310,000				\$310,000	22%
Comitato Internazionale per lo Sviluppo dei Po	\$1,650,000		\$0				\$0	0%
International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOC			n/a				n/a	n/a
Islamic Relief (IR)	\$1,090,000		\$400,000				\$400,000	37%
Première Urgence (PU)	\$820,000		\$0				\$0	0%
Terre des Hommes	\$170,000		\$153,000				\$153,000	90%
UNDP	\$850,000		n/a				n/a	n/a
War Child Holland	\$114,000		\$123,690				\$123,690	n/a
World Vision	\$784,000		\$385,000				\$385,000	49%
Irag only - appealing organizations	•							-
Qandil Sweden	\$4,200,000				n/a		n/a	n/a
Grand Total	\$193,222,611				. / -		\$49,922,701	26%
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* no requirements listed as on-going activities are already fully funded								

The Revised Syria Regional Response Plan, presented on 28 June, appeals for USD 193 million and is funded at 26%.

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