



Left - IOM provided Non-Food Items to the Turkish Red Crescent for distribution to Syrian refugees in six camps in south-east Turkey. ©IOM 2013 (Photo: IOM Turkey). **Right** - IOM carried out a technical assessment of a collective shelter in Damascus city for emergency repair and rehabilitation. ©IOM 2013 (Photo: IOM Syria).

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HIGHLIGHTS

- ⇒ **Jordan:** On 16 April, IOM's medical team started an immunization campaign for the new refugee arrivals against measles and polio, in addition to providing Vitamin A supplements in Za'atri camp.
- ⇒ **Lebanon:** On 18, 19 and 21 April, IOM distributed NFIs to **82** Lebanese returnee families in Central Bekaa and Baalbeck.

IOM COUNTRY OPERATIONS

Jordan Operations



Emergency Transportation of Refugees: During the current reporting period, IOM provided transportation to **10,612** Syrians to Za'atri camp and Emirates Jordanian Camp (EJC). Since the opening of EJC camp on 10 April, IOM has provided transportation to **1,532** Syrian refugees from the transit centre located in Raba'a Alsarhan to EJC camp. The movement of Syrian refugees crossing the border into Jordan decreased slightly in the past week as **11,211** Syrian refugees arrived, compared to **12,267** Syrian refugees who arrived during the previous reporting period. To date, IOM has facilitated the transportation of **272,730** Syrians from border areas (Thnebe) to Za'atri camp and EJC camp.

Emergency Health Assistance upon arrival in Jordan: During the reporting period, **106** individuals with medical conditions, requiring immediate referral or treatment at Za'atri camp health clinics, were assisted by IOM. Since 29 July, IOM has assisted **2,467** individuals for further treatment upon arrival at the camp.

Jordan Operations continued

On 16 April, IOM's medical team started an immunization campaign among the new arrivals against measles and polio, in addition to providing Vitamin A supplements in Za'atri camp. Measles vaccinations are provided to persons aged 6 months to 30 years, polio vaccination to children aged 0-59 months old, and Vitamin A supplements to children aged 6– 59 months. As of 22 April, IOM vaccinated **7,645** Syrian refugees. Out of this total caseload, **2,448** were vaccinated against polio, **7,573** against measles and **7,573** were provided with Vitamin A supplements.

Tuberculosis (TB) Diagnosis and Prevention Activities: During the past week, IOM's medical team in Za'atri camp confirmed **2** new TB cases and is providing follow-up treatment for these cases. Follow-up treatment involves four to six courses of medication over a two-year period for multi-drug resistant patients. An IOM team works daily within the camp to investigate suspected TB cases and to provide follow-up and direct observation of treatment. TB detection for the Syrian refugees is carried out in coordination with UNHCR and the leadership of the TB program lies within the Jordanian Ministry of Health.



Newly arrived Syrian children receiving measles and polio vaccinations, and vitamin A supplements in Za'atri camp. © IOM 2013 (Photo: Valeria Stera)

Iraq Operations

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Vulnerability assessments: Since 1 April, IOM has been conducting vulnerability assessments of Syrian refugees and Iraqi returnees, and so far has conducted assessments in Karbala, Najaf and Baghdad. As of 15 April, **39** Syrian refugee families and **119** Iraqi returnees families have been assessed. IOM field staff continue to carry out vulnerability assessments of Syrian refugees and Iraqi returnees in Kirkuk, Nenawa, Anbar, Duhok and Erbil to determine which beneficiaries are eligible to receive NFI assistance.

General situation: In coordination with UNHCR, IOM representatives attended a meeting on 17 April to discuss the opening of new camps in Erbil and Sulaymaniyah. IOM will provide support to these camps through NFI distribution as well as participating in the Protection, Education and WASH working groups.

During the reporting week the security situation in Anbar deteriorated. This affected the movement of Iraqis crossing the borders from Syria to Iraq causing a decrease in the number of Iraqi returnees.



IOM staff interviewing an Iraqi returnee family in Najaf. © IOM 2013 (Photo: IOM Iraq)

Lebanon Operations



Transportation assistance: From 16 – 23 April, **246** refugees (**119** women, **127** men, and **46** children) accepted for resettlement were provided with transit assistance through Lebanon to travel through Rafic Hariri International Airport.

Assistance to Lebanese returnees: On 18, 19 and 21 April, IOM distributed NFIs to **70** families in Central Bekaa and **12** families in Baalbeck. On 19 April, IOM started assessments for distribution purposes through field visits in central and North Bekaa. To date, **150** Lebanese returnees have been assessed. This assessment is expected to continue until 26 April, and will cover locations in Aarsal, Saida, and Ansarieh.

Turkey Operations



NFI Distribution: From 20 - 22 April, IOM provided NFIs for distribution to Syrian refugees in camps through the Turkish Red Crescent (Kizilay). Mattresses (**1,050**), pillows (**6,500**), blankets (**3,500**) and bed sheets (**1,556**) will be provided to Syrian refugees in six camps (Adiyaman, Kahramanmaraş, Nizip 2, Akcakale, Ceylanpinar, Osmaniye). A total of **12,606** Syrian refugees are expected to benefit from this NFI distribution. On 20 April, IOM staff monitored the arrival of the NFIs to the Kizilay warehouse in Gaziantep, and visited Adiyaman camp where a portion of the NFIs were delivered.



IOM staff in Gaziantep monitoring the arrival of NFIs to Kizilay warehouse. © IOM 2013 (Photo: IOM Turkey)



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