TURKEY: RRP6 MONTHLY UPDATE - FEBRUARY

PROTECTION

16% increase in the registered non-camp population since beginning of 2014.

FEBRUARY HIGHLIGHTS:

Registration and re-registration of both camp and non-camp Syrian refugees, under the supervision of the Ministry of Interior, continued to take place during February. During the reporting period, all 23 mobile registration centers procured by UNHCR for the GoT were delivered to the authorities.

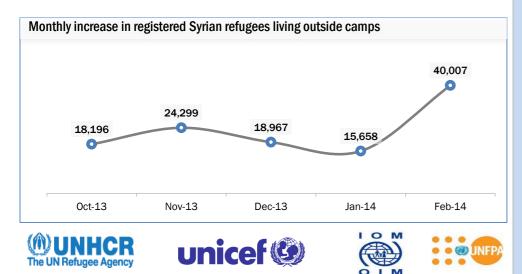
UNHCR field teams continued to support protection activities, carrying out over 100 visits to camps and urban areas during February. They continued to provide technical advice to camp management, and assessed the situation in urban areas. UNHCR monitored the voluntary return procedure for a total of 69 cases/183 persons in the camps.

UNHCR completed its training program for interpreters working in Syrian refugee camps in Turkey. Close to 700 interpreters in 22 camps were trained on ethics of interpreting, interpreting for vulnerable and traumatized refugees, including cases of SGBV, UAM/SC, etc., among other relevant issues.

First stage trauma support training (5 days) was provided by UNFPA to 20 psychosocial service providers from AFAD and Family and Social Policies Ministries. Psychosocial services to Syrians continued in Nizip-1 tent camp. Trainings and discussion groups were provided to volunteer teachers and men, in addition to support of women's committee.

1,830 children attended activities conducted in child-friendly spaces for the first time, with the majority between the ages of 4 and 8 years old. Currently there are 26 youth workers deployed to the camps and two administrative staff based in Gaziantep to support the work of the youth workers in camps. A UNICEF team visited 11 camps in February to assess and evaluate the child protection systems, whilst collecting information from the youth workers on child protection cases.

IOM provided transportation assistance to 2,721 Syrian refugees in Adiyaman camp to access health facilities and markets outside of the camp. Transport assistance was also provided to 699 persons who were temporarily accommodated in the waiting area in Viransehir camp to Nusaybin camp as well as an additional 39 persons from Konya to Viransehir camp.



The Government of Turkey takes the lead role for determining and implementing assistance provided to Syrian refugees, through the Prime Ministry Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency (AFAD). AFAD reports spending 2.5 billion USD on the Syrian Refugee Response in Turkey.

NEEDS ANALYSIS:

Syrian refugees continue to benefit from temporary protection in Turkey, with the Government being the provider of first response. Although the GoT has a robust legal systems and national legislation to ensure protection to persons of concern, the large number of Syrian refugees has overwhelmed national structures and affected their capacity to cope with the needs of the population. For example, as reported by the Government, at least 50% of the refugee population are in need of psychological support, and half of the refugee population are children, with an estimated 4.5% of them married. Child protection and SGBV activities remain key priorities and areas of engagement with the Government and NGOs.

Key protection priorities include:

- Addressing the psychosocial needs of refugees in both camps and urban areas. Addressing child protection issues, including violence against children, early
- marriages, and low school enrolment for the non-camp population.
- Advocacy and capacity building with the relevant authorities and on the prevention and responses for protection risks faced by children and adults.
- Promotion and support for refugee committees, including women, youth and elderly committees, inside camps and outreach to non-camp refugees.
- Training and provision of technical support for social workers and other service providers on psychosocial support and on SGBV prevention and response.
- Provision of technical support on counter-trafficking and migration management. Pursuing resettlement as a durable solution for refugees identified as having the most urgent protection needs.

PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS:							
Refugees in Camps		Refugees outside camps			- F		
Syrians registered by the Government of Turkey		218,85	405,4	5,458			
uthorities and partners trained on International Refugee protection principles and standards		9	950				
Syrian refugees (men, women, boys and girls) provided with psycho-social support	22	5					
rians whose voluntary return interviews were observed	24	8					
Community centers established or supported		1					
Persons submitted for resettlement or humanitarian admission	1	123					
Partner, government and UN Staff trained on SGBV prevention and response and referral mechanisms		950					
hildren and youth participating in targeted programmes		14,248					
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