

IRAQ: RRP6 MONTHLY UPDATE - NOVEMBER 2014

PROTECTION



100% of the population (**228,484** persons) is registered on individual basis in UNHCR database (proGres). Recording of Iris scan continues for all eligible family members.

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

Verification and biometric registration of Syrian refugees is being implemented in Duhok, Erbil and Sulaymaniyah Governorates. By the end of the month iris scanning of 52,283 individuals was uploaded in the regional database and their individual data was verified and updated in ProGres (UNHCR registration system). UNHCR and Partners received some 22,000 refugees from Kobane arrived in KRI.

The merged refugee status determination and resettlement procedures for the Syrian caseload continued to be implemented: 8 new cases (44 persons) have been submitted. In addition, one case / one person was resubmitted to the USA that had been referred for pre-screening earlier in the year, and four cases / eighteen persons were submitted to Sweden, but will be counted towards the 2015 quota allocation.

Pre-Assessment screening was undertaken in 168 cases, out of which 100 cases were prioritized and 68 deprioritized.

Case Identification interviews were conducted for 33 cases across KR-I. 43 cases were reviewed at this stage of which 29 were prioritized for further Refugee Status Determination (RSD)/resettlement consideration (14 were deprioritized).

An immediate response to the situation of unaccompanied and separated children arriving amongst the Kobane groups on a daily basis to camps was ensured through the Protection network groups in Kawergosk, Darashakran, Qushtapa, and Basirma camps. Sexual Gender Based Violence Working Group (SGBVWG) established two taskforces to roll-out GBV Information Management System (GBVIMS) in KRI by Beginning of 2015 and Early Marriage which will work closely with Child Protection Working Group.

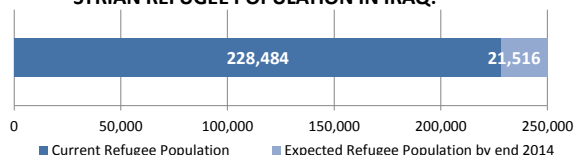
Methodology of Early Marriage taskforce is consultative with community representatives in the 3 governorates to impact on 2015 programming for early marriage.

UNHCR continued to follow up on the case of five Syrian asylum-seekers who were detained in Kawergosk camp on 27 October and subsequently refoiled by the security authorities (Assayesh) to Syria on 3 November. The Office contacted the Ministry of Interior (MoI), expressing the concerns over the deportation and urging to re-admit the concerned asylum-seekers on the territory of the Kurdistan Region of Iraq (KRI).

Campaign on 16 Days of Activism was launched during the reporting period, with a number of celebratory events carried out in four Syrian camps and in urban areas. The campaign is spearheaded by the key protection actors at the camp level will be marked by specific messaging on early marriages and people living with disabilities.



SYRIAN REFUGEE POPULATION IN IRAQ:



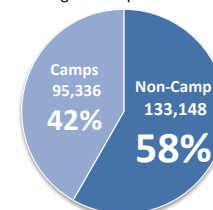
NEEDS ANALYSIS:

UNHCR is following up on reports that the Directorate of Security (Assayesh) in Erbil denies clearance for residency in urban areas for Syrian asylum-seekers who lack original Syria-issued documents such as family card, passport, ID card or military card. Applications from such individuals are suspended and applicants advised no action would be taken unless they present original document(s).

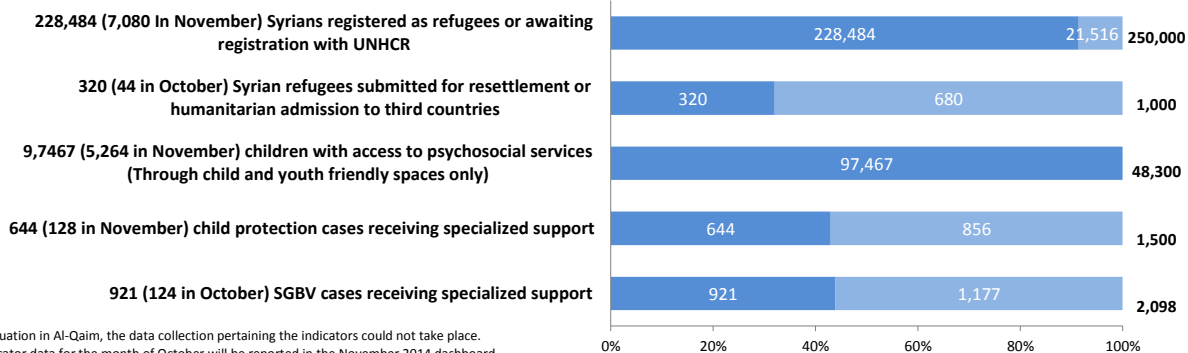
Overview of the situation and in particular, interim care-taking arrangements made for Unaccompanied And Separated Children (UASC) were presented at the Child Protection (CP) task force group within the Child Protection Working Group (CPWG) format.

SGVB Partners reported 124 cases in November. Reporting generally considered low due to absence of GBVIMS. It is expected the roll-out of the GBVIMS in 2015 will enhance systematic collection of data and trend analysis to understand root causes, gaps and challenges in response.

Population :
9 Camps
vs
4 Non-Camps



PROGRESS AGAINST TARGETS*:



*Due to situation in Al-Qaim, the data collection pertaining the indicators could not take place.
**The indicator data for the month of October will be reported in the November 2014 dashboard.

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Targets based on expected population of 250,000 Syrian refugees in Iraq by end-2014. There are currently 228,484 Syrian refugees in Iraq.

