

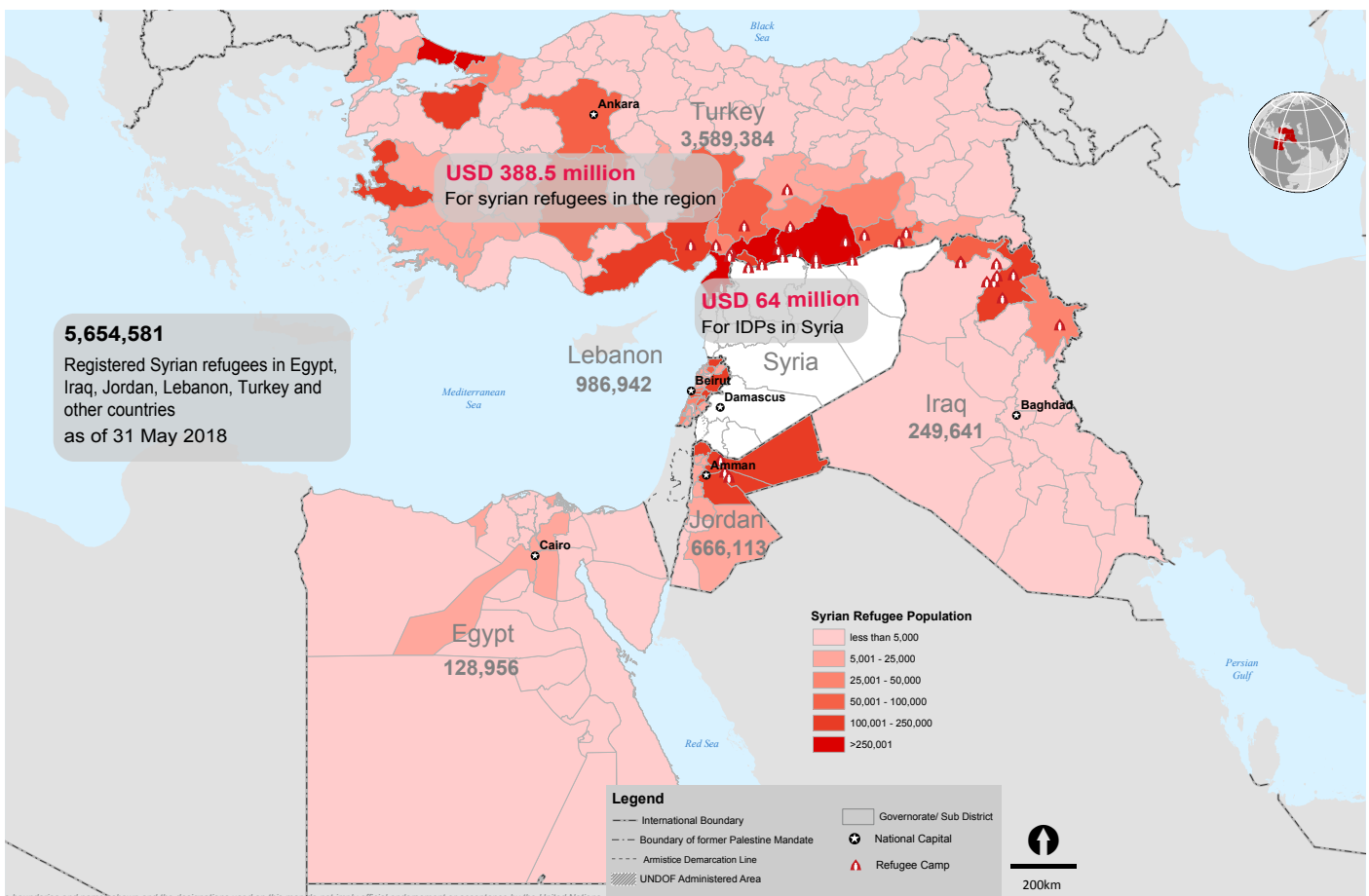
UNHCR URGENTLY REQUIRES SOME USD 452 MILLION TO ADDRESS THE MOST ACUTE AND PRESSING NEEDS OF SYRIAN REFUGEES IN TURKEY, LEBANON, JORDAN, IRAQ AND EGYPT, AND INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS (IDPS) IN SYRIA

UNHCR is calling for urgent funding of some **USD 452 million** to ensure that millions of Syrian refugees and IDPs do not miss out on vital protection and assistance support in the second half of 2018.

Some **USD 388.5 million** will enable UNHCR to continue its essential programmes for Syrian refugees in the second half of the year in Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq and Egypt. With over 5.6 million Syrian refugees registered across the region, including 2.6 million children, the needs of refugees remain acute, with many not having the means to cover the basic essentials of life, such as health care and education. With additional funding, UNHCR programmes will help millions of Syrian refugees receive protection support and meet their basic and essential needs.

UNHCR is also urgently calling for some **USD 64 million** to address the most acute and pressing needs of displaced people in Syria. With hundreds of thousands of people displaced since the start of the year, many people are facing increasingly desperate circumstances and rely on the support and assistance of UNHCR and other humanitarian partners to meet their basic daily needs. With additional funding, UNHCR can rapidly scale up its activities across key sectors, such as protection, shelter, and the provision of basic items, helping up to one million people.

Part of the urgent funding requirements will go towards putting in place the winter response for later in the year – it is vital to start response activities early to ensure families get the extra support well before the winter season starts.



Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt, and Iraq – USD 388.5 million for protection, cash, health, education, shelter, WASH, core relief items, and livelihoods

- **Continue support for civil documentation, child protection, sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) prevention and response, and legal assistance:** USD 118 million is required to keep protection activities going across the region.
- **Support vulnerable refugee families with cash assistance, particularly in Lebanon and Jordan where over 80 per cent live below the poverty line:** USD 116 million needed or cash activities will stop completely from June onwards preventing **87,000 refugee families** from meeting their daily needs including rent and access to essential services.
- **Ensure that refugee families have access to the most basic medical services they need:** USD 74 million needed to address the impact of rising health care costs for some 853,500 Syrian refugees in the region, particularly in Lebanon and Jordan, from June onwards.
- **Ensure children stay in school and are not forced to drop out, or fall into child labour or early marriage:** USD 19 million is needed to reach more than 445,000 Syrian refugee children, including strengthening national education systems to benefit all children, particularly in Turkey, Lebanon and Egypt.
- **Provide basic items for daily living to vulnerable refugees across the region:** USD 26.5 million is urgently required, including some funds for initial repositioning before the harsh winter season.
- **Improve living conditions for 151,000 Syrian refugees in sub-standard accommodation:** USD 18 million is required or the programme will be curtailed from June.
- **Ensure all refugees have access to clean water and reduce the risk of water-borne disease:** USD 10 million required to cover WASH activities in 2018. Needs are critical for tens of thousands of people in camps and informal settlements in the region during the hot summer months.
- **Maintain livelihood support to refugees to help them provide for the families and build self-reliance and resilience:** USD 7 million is needed to continue essential livelihood activities.



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Syria – USD 64 million for core relief items, protection, shelter, livelihoods, health, education, and WASH

- **Provide core relief items for vulnerable IDPs' most basic living needs:** USD 6 million is urgently needed to provide core relief items to vulnerable IDPs including newly displaced persons, those displaced multiple times, and those in hard-to-reach areas.
- **Improve people's access to protection services:** USD 29 million is urgently needed to continue UNHCR's emergency protection response (including through community centres, mobile units and outreach volunteers) and legal services on civil documentation, gender-based violence, child protection, and housing, land and property rights.
- **Establish emergency shelter support:** USD 19 million is needed to provide emergency shelter support to 64,000 IDPs and returnees.
- **Provide vocational livelihoods training to reduce dependency:** USD 1.7 million is required to enhance livelihood interventions for 47,000 of the most vulnerable IDPs, including through the provision of vocational and life-skills training to reduce dependency and build resilience.
- **Ensure families get basic and urgent healthcare:** USD 4 million is needed to provide critical health services including provision of medicines and medical equipment in 18 health points in the country.
- **Keep children engaged in school activities:** USD 4 million is needed for education activities.
- **Ensure that the most basic WASH needs are met:** USD 250,000 is required for WASH activities.

UNHCR's 2018 total financial requirements for protection and assistance for the Syria situation amount to USD 1.968 billion. As of 30 May, only USD 230.2 million has been received; 12 per cent of the total requirements. The USD 452 million outlined in this paper represent the most acute and pressing needs of Syrian refugees and IDPs within UNHCR's overall unfunded requirements in 2018. The quick disbursement of existing pledges and commitments, as well as additional funding, is greatly appreciated.

