Chamishku IDP Camp - December 2024

CAMP BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Chamishku camp was established in November 2014. Located in Zakho city, the camp hosts predominantly Ezidi Internally Displaced People (IDPs), who fled Sinjar in August 2014. Chamishku camp is the largest IDP camp in Iraq. Although the camp was the first to allow residents to upgrade their shelters, many tents in Chamishku have now passed their lifespan. Combined with IDPs' financial incapability to upgrade their shelters and uncertainty about the camp's future, the residents remain vulnerable to harsh weather conditions in the summer and winter. IDPs in the camp indicate that to be able to return to their area of origin, security and law enforcement must be fully restored through institutions they trust, and they must have access to quality public services, adequate shelter, and livelihood opportunities. In addition, some indicate that they would prefer other durable solutions such as relocation in areas of displacement. As such, UNHCR is advocating for all durable solutions to be made available to the IDP population and that they have equal access to assistance packages available.

Chamishku	Markaz Zakho	Zakho	Duhok
Camp	Sub-district	District	Governorate

KEY FACTS & FIGURES

3,600
Total families

16,825
Total individuals

UNHCR/DMCR (BCF)
Camp management

765,000 m²
Camp area size

MoMD
Camp Construction

Municipality
Land ownership

Source : UNHCR | DMCR | BCF

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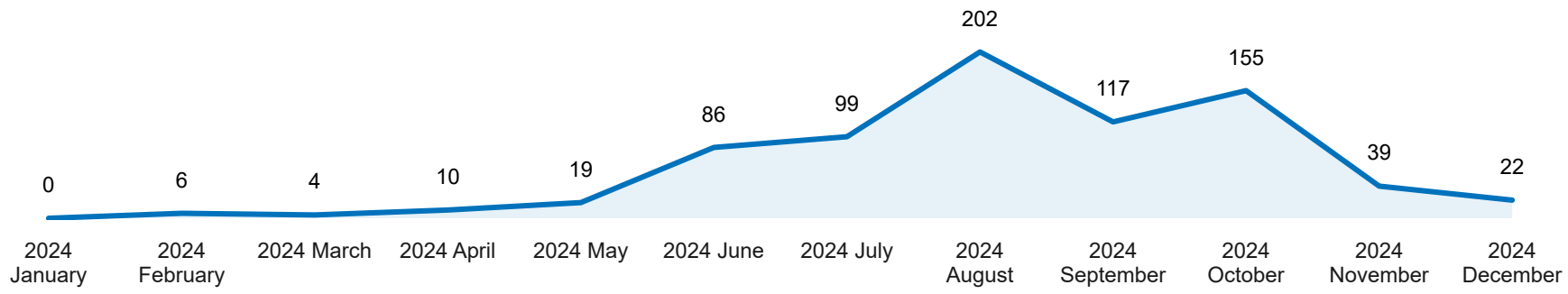
POPULATION DEPARTURE TREND

Since January 2024, 759 families (3495 individuals) departed the camp, mainly through the International Organization of Migration (IOM) and Ministry of Migration and Displacement (MoMD) programmes on organized returns. This figure represents approximately 17% of the population registered as living in the camp as of January 2024. IDPs primarily departed to Ninewa, Duhok, Al-Sulaymaniyah.



SHELTER

MoMD Tent
Shelter type

4,800
Occupied plots

336
Shelters with over 7 residents

EDUCATION

0
# of kindergarten in camp

8
# of primary school in camp

4
# of secondary school in camp

HEALTH

1
# of Primary Health Centre in the camp

Bedar Hospital (3 km)
Nearest Primary Health Centre outside of the camp

WASH

Yes
Access to drinking water

Boreholes
Water source

Family latrine
Sanitation type

SERVICE MAPPING

Service	Entity type	Service provider name
Basic school (7-9)	GoI	General Directorate of Education
Food parcels	GoI	Ministry of Migration and Displacement
Basic school (1-6)	KRG	General Directorate of Education
Child protection	KRG	DOLSA - Duhok
Electricity	KRG	Directorate of Electricity
Waste management	KRG	Directorate of Water and Sewage of the Kurdistan Region
Water supply	KRG	Department of Water Duhok
Camp management	Humanitarian	Barzani Charity Foundation
Child protection	Humanitarian	Save The Children International, Island Of Hope
GBV protection	Humanitarian	People's Development Organization
General protection	Humanitarian	Harikar, Elise Care, Global Yazidi Organization
Legal assistance	Humanitarian	Harikar
MHPSS	Humanitarian	Habibi International
NFI	Humanitarian	Barzani Charity Foundation
Non-formal education	Humanitarian	BCF/STERLINK FOUNDATION
Primary healthcare center	Humanitarian	International Organization for Migration, Heevie Kurdistan Development Organization

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