

Over 42,000 people were assisted by 3RP partners to access wage employment or training services during 2015

REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS:

In Egypt, a range of tools have been developed for aspiring and existing entrepreneurs through the Community-Based Enterprise Development (C-BED) programme which uses 'learning without a trainer' methodology that is applied through action-based group learning. In two-day workshops, entrepreneurs were able to help each other understand formal business concepts, such as costing or marketing, and develop stronger skills for business improvement. An Introduction and Demonstration Training on C-BED was implemented in Alexandria in December with a range of 3RP livelihood actors which was followed by a demonstration training with groups of refugees. Positive feedback was received with suggestions on how to best adapt the tool to the context in Egypt, and the training will be tested with urban refugees. C-BED will be included as part of the business training for the self-employment track in 2016.

In Turkey, almost 840 beneficiaries were trained in life and vocational skills in Sanlıurfa and Hatay, while equipment for Public Education Centres was purchased as is being distributed for graphic design and textile training programmes in a range of locations. Protocols were signed in December with stakeholders including the South-eastern Anatolia Development Project - which is a significant milestone towards the beginning of a vocational training programme in 2016. Tenders were also launched for equipment to operationalize the vocational training centres.

In Lebanon a community support project engaged 240 previously unemployed Syrian refugees and Lebanese youth in repair, rehabilitation and clean-up of roads benefitting eight municipalities in Akkar.

In Jordan, a two-day festival was held in the northern city of Ramtha to promote home-based businesses for both Syrian and Jordanian families, part of a wider effort to enhance employment opportunities in communities straining to cope with large numbers of refugees.

NEEDS ANALYSIS:

A critical dimension of building resilience is to expand livelihoods and employment opportunities for vulnerable men, women and, especially youth, in compliance with national laws and regulations. In all five countries, livelihoods support under the 3RP is a key way to slow and reverse depletion of individual, family and community assets. To ensure access to sustainable employment, it is vital to equip refugees and vulnerable local populations with the skills that the markets demand. Livelihoods initiatives give refugees the means to cope with hardship, to increase their skills and abilities, and to prosper, as well as improving their prospects in a future return to Syria. In turn, the skills of refugees can help to grow and diversify local economies.

Social cohesion interventions in the region include the development of conflict mitigation mechanisms, with stakeholders helping to conduct participatory conflict analysis to identify sources of tension, along with training on conflict resolution skills such as negotiation, problem solving and mediation.



UNDP Lebanon

Sector Response Summary:



292,565 Refugees & Local
Community Members targeted for
assistance by end-2015
42,137 assisted in 2015



Syrian Refugees in the Region:



4,270,000 Syrian Refugees
expected by end-2015
4,591,939 currently registered or
awaiting registration



Livelihoods & Social Cohesion Sector Funding Status:



USD 405 million
required in 2015 (Agencies)
USD 85 million received in 2015



BETTER UNDERSTANDING THE EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK FOR SYRIANS IN TURKEY

During December, ILO held a "Labour Market Impact of Syrians in Turkey and their Employability" event which discussed four field surveys that were part of a comprehensive strategy for Syrians under Temporary Protection in Turkey. This will improve knowledge and produce reliable data on the impact of Syrian refugees on the Turkish labour market and will contribute to development of a comprehensive national policy.

Research entitled "Employers' Outlook to the Employment of Syrians in Şanlıurfa" was completed with Harran University and Karacadağ Development Agency. The focus was the demand side of the labour market and will present the status of Turkish employers, their labour market expectations, and attitudes of Turkish employers towards Syrian participation in the labour force.

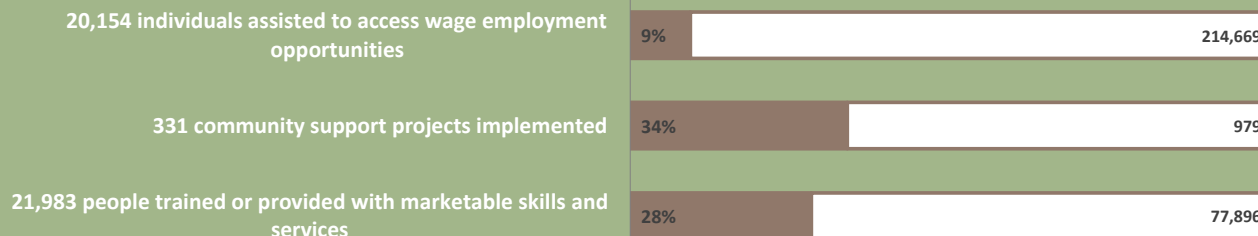
A situation analysis of Syrian street children in Ankara was undertaken with Hacettepe University, a Children's Rights Research and Application Centre, and in association with Ankara Provincial Directorate of Family and Social Policies. This will identify demographic, socioeconomic status, working and living conditions of children working in the streets of Çankaya, Altındağ and Yenimahalle districts.

An analysis of institutional capacity needs assessment for central and local level institutions was completed. A pilot model is being developed to define priorities in vocational, technical and skills training at Gaziantep Nizip Temporary Sheltering Centre by conducting local level supply and demand assessments.

In collaboration with Directorate of National Education in Sultangazi district in Istanbul, ILO continues to support access to education for 300 Syrian refugee children. This helps reduce risks of child labour.

REGIONAL RESPONSE INDICATORS: JANUARY - DECEMBER 2015

■ Progress ■ Planned Response, by end-2015



These dashboards reflect the achievements of the more than 200 partners, including governments, UN Agencies, and NGOs, involved in the 3RP response in Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey. Targets are based on full funding of the 3RP and an expected 4.27 million refugees by end-2015. All data on this Dashboard is current as of 31 December 2015. Funding status is indicative pending finalization of accounts and allocations.