Iraq

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HIGHLIGHTS

Although 3.8 million people have returned, 2 million IDPs remain as of May 2018. Despite the continous return, the amount remaining in displacement is highly than predicted. Of those in displacement, 600,000 people are in camps, many of which are not scheduled to close. Highly vulnerable IDPs in out of camps remain scattered, blended within the host community and in some areas difficult to reach. Returnees, unable to sustain themselves in their areas of origin show an increasing trend of returning to camps.

Needs of IDP and returnees remain high. The most vulnerable continue to fall below minimum living conditions and depend on humanitarian assistance to survive.

Camp maintenance and upgrade, tent replacement, basic NFI and seasonal support are required for both the current population and arrivals to camps, focusing on camps which have not been supported to date, and/or those below minimum SNFI standard since their establishments.

In out of camps, critical shelter and seasonal support are the highest priorities.

In heavily war-impacted areas, people's highest needs include shelter repairs, transitional shelter solutions and seasonal support.

The government has made efforts to complement humanitarian NFI assistance, whilst the compensation process to private home owners has not started yet. Stabilisation/development programs are yet to commence at to a level which could encourage more significant durable return.

Use of solar power especially in camps should be considered, whenever investment analysis proves its cost efficiency against the lifespan of the camps.

KEY FIGURES



People



Funding



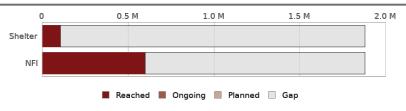
KEY DATES

- January 2014: Activation of cluster.
- January 2014 July 2017: The outbreak of violence between Iraqi security forces and armed groups in January 2014 triggered eight significant waves of displacement: pre-June 2014, June-July 2014, August 2014, post September 2014, post April 2015, post March 2016, post 17 Oct. 2016 and July 2017.

KEY LINKS

- <u>Technical Support and Design Guidance</u>
- Information Management Products
- Assessments Datasets & Reports
- Meetings minutes and related presentations
- Country page on HumanitarianResponse.info
- Mosul Emergency Response page on HumanitarianResponse.info
- Country page on ReliefWeb

COVERAGE AGAINST TARGETS



NEED ANALYSIS

million Returnees have been identified across the country, from January 2014 to 30th May 2018.

The number of IDPs keep decreasing (from 2.6 million, end of Dec.'17 to 2.0 million, end of May'18); while the numbers of returnees has increased (from 3.2 million, end of Dec.'17 to 3.8 million, end of May.'18).

- 29.2% of the 2.0 million IDPs are in camps, while 61.4% are currently in private settings (in rented accommodation or with host families); 9.0% remain in critical shelter arrangements (unfinished/abandoned building; school/religious buildings and informal settlements) and 0.4% in other unspecified shelter types.
- 97.5% of the returnees are in their habitual residence while 2.5% remain in private settings (in rented accommodation or with host families) and in critical shelter arrangement such as informal settlements, unfinished and abandoned buildings, schools, religious structures.

RESPONSE

- Out of the overall target of 1.9 million, 598,586 people have been assisted with NFI kits; 107,231 of which have also benefited from shelter interventions. The coverage for NFI kits stands at 32% of the cluster target; and the coverage for shelter stands at 6% of the cluster target. From the total reached beneficiaries:
- **371,568** people living in camps and informal settlements have been reached with NFI kits; **35,678** of which were provided with emergency shelter interventions.
- 139,805 highly vulnerable returnees have been reached with NFI kits; 67,162 of which were assisted with emergency repairs of war damaged houses including the provision of sealing-off kits.
- **14,737** highly vulnerable newly displaced have been reached with NFI kits; **823** of which were assisted with emergency shelter interventions.
- 72,476 highly vulnerable people who are not covered by social protection system have been assisted with NFI kits;
 3,568 of which have been assisted with emergency upgrade/repair of basic shelters.
- Cluster partners also distributed seasonal clothing to the most vulnerable; thus 22,617 babies (0-1 year), 80,546 infants (2-5 years), 98,297 children (6-11 years), 36,000 adolescents (12-18 years) and 7,371 adults (over 18 years) were reached, allowing them to cope with weather changes.

GAPS / CHALLENGES

 The Cluster undertook a needs and gaps analysis for summer interventions, identifying 19,000 IDP families in camps and 4,000 IDP families living out of camps in need of summer support. While distribution of NFI is planned for people in camps, unconditional cash assistance has been planned for extremely vulnerable people living in informal settlements.