



WFP Iraq

Situation Report #55

30 June 2018

In Numbers

- 2 million** people displaced (IOM)
- 3.9 million** returnees (IOM)
- 524,734** Iraqis assisted by WFP
- 250,708** Syrian refugees in Iraq (UNHCR)
- 59,848** Syrian refugees assisted by WFP

Highlights

- WFP completed the school meals distributions to children in West Mosul, targeting about 87,000 in 145 primary schools and 4 kindergartens. The project will be expanded in the school year commencing in September 2018.
- A four-day Emergency Logistics Induction Training was conducted in Baghdad in late June with participants from UN agencies, I/NGOs, and different government agencies.
- The Logistics Cluster continues to support the Government of Iraq for customs clearance of humanitarian commodities in Baghdad, and in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq through the One Stop Shop.
- WFP completed the rehabilitation of 225 km of irrigation canals in Garma district (Anbar) and started the cleaning of 25,7 km of water systems in Abayashi district (Baghdad).

585,917
June 2018



Global Humanitarian Funding

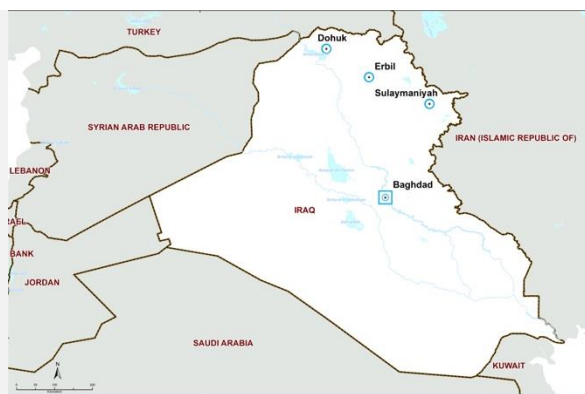
Overall:
USD 568,745,625

WFP share:
USD 155,694,515

WFP 6-Month Net Funding Requirements

Iraq Transitional Interim Country Strategic Plan (TICSP) (July-December 2018)

USD 39.9 million



Situation Update

- The most recent update from IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) for Iraq shows 2 million IDPs and 3.9 million returnees as of the end of June 2018. Consequently, WFP beneficiary numbers for General Food Assistance for IDPs dropped by almost 40,000 from April to June 2018 - the largest reduction in beneficiary numbers in 2018.
- Although the elections and electioneering concluded with relatively little violence, the country has entered a period of political uncertainty as no party/coalition commanded an outright majority. Amidst allegations of widespread fraud, the Parliament voted on 6 June to carry out a manual recount of votes cast, and decided to replace the leadership of the election commission and annul the votes of overseas and displaced Iraqis. On 21 June, Iraq's Supreme Court upheld Parliament's decision. A hand recount of all 11 million ballots adds further uncertainty to the process of forming a new government.
- On 12 June, Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi rejected calls for an election re-run, stressing that only the Supreme Federal Court could decide whether to re-run the vote.
- The general security situation within the country over the past weeks had limited impact on WFP operations despite some tensions still reported in major urban areas following the 12 May Parliamentary elections. 'Hit and run' and asymmetric attacks intended to cause mass casualties are likely to continue by cells

from the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL), particularly in Ninewa, Kirkuk and Salah al-Din governorates.

Clusters and Common Services



Food Security Cluster

- An additional 10 partners were active during the Ramadan period. The Cluster expect to see active partner numbers diminish as ad-hoc distributions cease post-Eid.
- It is worth noting that there is an increased partner activity on agricultural inputs and livelihood/resilience programming. WFP is currently partnering with National and International NGOs (Samaritan's Purse, SSORD, PIN) for the implementation of its resilience activities in Iraq.



Logistics Cluster

- A four-day Emergency Logistics Induction Training (ELIT) was conducted in Baghdad in late June with participants from UN agencies, I/NGOs, and different government agencies (Ministries of Planning, Displacement and Migration, and Trade; the Joint Coordination and Monitoring Center; and the Joint Crisis Coordination Center based in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq (KR-I).
- A cold chain warehouse assessment was conducted in Erbil at the beginning of June. Three facilities have been identified, with 2,100 sqm, 600 sqm, and 630 sqm respectively available for cold chain storage. The results of the assessment have been shared with the humanitarian community in Iraq.
- The One Stop Shop (OSS) project in the KR-I has been extended until 30 September 2018. The Logistics Cluster continues to support the Government of Iraq for customs clearance of humanitarian commodities in Baghdad.



Emergency Telecommunications Cluster

- In June, 4,000 internet connectivity vouchers were issued in 17 camps where data connectivity is provided by the ETC cluster.
- The Cluster is in advanced discussions with IOM to support their Community Response Centres (CRC). The CRCs provide services at the community level in areas receiving large numbers of returning IDPs. As part of the Cluster Services for Communities (S4C) initiative, the ETC would support three CRCs in Mosul City and Fallujah with Internet services and access to power (generator).

Partnerships

- Main contributions to the TICSP in 2018 have been received from the United States, Japan, Canada, France, Germany, Qatar, Switzerland, and France.

WFP Response



Food and Nutrition Assistance

- WFP prioritises the use of cash-based transfers (CBT) in the form of Mobile Money Transfers (MMT) and electronic vouchers in urban and peri-urban areas where beneficiaries have safe access to functioning markets. Market assessments and consultations with communities continue to precede the roll out of CBT interventions.
- In June, 209,729 people received CBTs, equivalent to USD 3.6 million injected into local markets. In the same reporting period, WFP also provided Family Food Rations (FFRs) to 328,325 people in eight governorates of Iraq, and Immediate Response Rations (IRR) to 4,909 people. A total of 4,325 mt of food was distributed in the process.
- WFP completed its school meals distributions to children in West Mosul in May 2018. This activity is fully funded by the Government of Iraq. The programme, managed in close collaboration with the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Health, targets about 87,000 children in 145 primary schools and 4 kindergartens and provides a school snack for four days a week, consisting of bread, cheese, milk and fruit. WFP will continue to support the Ministry of Education in further expanding this programme to the most conflict-affected and otherwise vulnerable areas across Iraq in advance of the school year commencing in September 2018.
- In May and June, WFP completed the rehabilitation of 225 km of irrigation canals in Garma district (Anbar) and started the cleaning of 25,7 km of water systems in Abayashi district (Baghdad) through Cash For Assets modality, benefitting 1,902 beneficiaries.
- The initial phase of the rehabilitation of 28 km of arterial canals part of the Al Zab water system in Hamdaniyah district (Ninewa) began mid-June, involving 3,636 participants to Cash For Assets activities.



Supply Chain

- 128mt of Immediate Response Rations (IRRs) have been delivered to WFP warehouses in Baghdad and Erbil.
- Logistics unit timely dispatched 4,510 mt of food commodities to cooperating partners, completing the June distribution plan.

- In May, the Iraq Humanitarian Fund (CBF) announced and confirmed USD 859,000 contribution in support of the Logistics Cluster activities for common storage and cluster services in Iraq.
- A funding proposal for EUR 1 million to the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development for expanding the Tech for Food project was approved in June.

Resourcing update

WFP Operation						
	Total Requirements (in USD)	Total Received (in USD)	6-Month Net Funding Requirements* (in USD)	People Assisted (June 2018)	Female	Male
Iraq Transitional Interim Country Strategic Plan (TICSP) 2018 TOTAL	216.8 m	152.3 m	39.9 m	585,917	287,100	298,817

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