

ANBAR CRISIS RESPONSE

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UPDATES

SITUATION UPDATE: ABU GHRAIB FLOODS

As of 22 May 2014, the Ministry of Migration and Displacement (MoMD) has officially registered 72,325 internally displaced families (an estimated 433,950 individuals) as a result of the Anbar Crisis, with 50,922 families displaced within the governorate of Anbar and 21,403 families displaced in other governorates. Data collected by Rapid Assessment and Response Team (RART) members during the recent distribution of 748 Non-Food Item (NFI) kits illustrates the continued impact of flooding on families in the Abu Ghraib district of the governorate of Baghdad. The RARTs found that nearly 40 agricultural villages have been completely inundated with water in the Abu Ghraib sub-district of Ghan Dari and Al-Nasir Wal Salam. An estimated 6,000 families in these two sub-districts have been displaced to other areas, and an additional 14,000 families have been directly or indirectly affected by the flooding. As the number of Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) and the length of their displacement continues to grow in and outside of Anbar, IOM expects that demand for life-saving humanitarian aid will continue to rise.

➤ IOM has found that ranchers in Abu Ghraib have lost an estimated 10,000 livestock as a result of the flooding. Additionally, they have been forced to sell remaining livestock for cheap prices because they are unable to generate an income from agricultural activities, and do not have the capacity to feed them.

➤ The head of the local council in Abu Ghraib has informed RARTs that stagnant, polluted flood waters coupled with the lack of a sewer network have the potential to spread waterborne diseases such as diarrhea among the local population.

➤ The majority of families displaced from the flooding are living with relatives, often with 3 to 5 families in one home. In addition, a shortage of potable water has forced IDP families to rely on delivery trucks from outside the affected areas for critical water needs.

IOM RESPONDS TO CRITICAL NEEDS IN ABU GHRAIB



RARTs register IDPs for a NFI distribution in the Abu Ghraib district of Baghdad. IOM Iraq ©



An IDP receives a NFI Kit in the Abu Ghraib district of Baghdad. IOM Iraq ©

NFI Distribution Location	Date Distributed	Number of NFI Kits Distributed
Khan-Dari sub-district of Abu Ghraib	14 May 2014	250
City Centre of Abu Ghraib	15 May 2014	250
Al-Nasir and Al-Salam sub-district of Abu Ghraib	19 May 2014	248
Total		748

IOM and WFP: DISTRIBUTING FOOD ACROSS IRAQ



IOM delivers food parcels on behalf of the World Food Programme (WFP) in the outskirts of Ramadi. IOM Iraq ©

Since the onset of the Anbar Crisis, IOM and WFP have strategically collaborated to distribute life-saving food items to IDPs fleeing violence throughout the central region of Iraq. As of 31 May 2014, IOM has delivered 15,122 food parcels on behalf of WFP to an estimated 90,732 beneficiaries. Each food parcel contains a total of 65.1kg of food, and includes wheat flour, rice, bulgur, pasta, lentils, beans, vegetable oil, sugar, and salt. This critical food aid will provide each a family of five with 70-80% of the recommended daily caloric intake (1,700kcal) for one month. IOM has recently signed an agreement with WFP for the delivery of an additional 11,000 food parcels, and plans to closely coordinate in the provision of life-saving food aid with WFP as the violence in the governorate of Anbar continues to affect IDPs throughout Iraq.

OVERVIEW OF RESPONSE

Overview of IOM assistance provided to Iraqi IDPs affected by violence in the governorate of Anbar since January 2014.

NFIs



49,530 beneficiaries



8,255 kits

FOOD PARCELS

Distributed on behalf of WFP



90,732 beneficiaries



15,122 food parcels

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