Highlights

IDPs have started returning to Garmawa camp (Ninewa), which was evacuated earlier in August due to security concerns. Environmental cleaning of latrines and repair of water taps was carried out in order to prepare the camp to host the IDPs. Additionally, hygiene kits and jerry cans were distributed to newly arriving IDPs.

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Humanitarian Situation and Response

South

Basra

According to figures from the Ministry of Displacement and Migration, the total numbers of IDPs in Basra has reached 1,267 families. The Basra Governor opened a camp for IDPs in an unfinished building, with a capacity of 500 families, some 5 miles away from Basra. UNHCR distributed core relief item kits to new IDP families and, in partnership with other agencies, is assisting the Basra government with camp setup. Currently there are 150 IDP families staying in the new camp. The local government in Basra provides hot meals twice a day.

Disputed Internal Border Areas

Diyala

On 26 August, UNHCR conducted a mission to IDP camps in Khanaqin: Bahari Tazi (617 families or 4,626 people), Alyawa (967 families or 967 people), and Aiden (1,085 families or 5,930 people). So far, UNHCR distributed 350 core relief item kits at Aiden camp to families displaced from Jalula sub district and Saadiyah sub district. The Khanaqin office of the Ministry of Displacement and Migration continues to distribute t cash grants from the government of Iraq, of 1 million IQ. ICRC continues to provide water for Kurdistan camp with two water tankers per day. Local NGOs continue to run and provide regular meals twice a day to IDPs in the three camps, mainly relying on donations from the host community. ACTED have also been distributing food items on behalf of WFP.

Central

Anbar

According to UNAMI, a school sheltering IDPs in the city of Kubaisah was reportedly struck by a missile—the number of casualties is unknown. Further displacement in the area is expected due to ongoing clashes between Iraqi forces and armed groups.

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North

Dahuk

Water and sanitation facilities in Khanke Camp, which includes 43 showers and 43 latrines for 350 IDP families, were finalized by UNICEF, with the support of FRC.

UNICEF’s partner, NRC, distributed 700 hygiene kits, 700 jerry cans and 4,200 litres of bottled water to 700 families at Deraboun village.

Additionally UNICEF and partners distributed 123,000 litres of water, as well as 424 jerry cans and 256 hygiene kits in Bajet Kandala camp and in three schools in Zakho.

In Zakho, 5,490 people were assisted with WFP family food parcels, through WFP’s partner ACF. WFP and the Barzani Charity Foundation’s communal kitchens in six locations across Dahuk (Bajet Kandala, Lalesh, Sumel, Batel, Khanke, Shariya) assisted 103,090 people with two hot meals daily.

In addition to communal kitchen meals, 11,445 people were assisted with immediate response rations in Bajet Kandala, distributed by WFP’s partner BCF.

In Barmeny (Amedi District) 1,855 people were assisted with WFP’s family food parcels. WFP’s partner ACTED also distributed kitchen sets donated by UK Aid to each household.

Erbil

In Baharka transit camp, 2,700 people were assisted with two hot meals from a WFP communal kitchen run by the Barzani Charity Foundation, whilst 600 parcels of immediate response rations (ready-to-eat food for families in transit, sufficient to sustain a family of five for three days) were also distributed.

In Ainkawa, Erbil city, 2,270 people were assisted with family food parcels. Distribution took place with WFP’s partner ACTED.

IOM distributed 360 non-food item kits and 70 UNFPA women’s dignity kits (hygiene items such as underwear and sanitary pads) in Erbil.

Ninewa

In Garmawa camp, 1,540 people were assisted with WFP’s immediate response rations (sufficient food for three days for one person), through WFP’s partner ACTED.

IOM reports that 278 IDP families fled from areas within Ninewa to Mosul city. Newly displaced families are fleeing violence and seeking refuge in recently abandoned homes due to other displacement in Mosul.

Kirkuk

UNHCR reports that in the past two weeks more than 250 Christian families or some 1,000 individuals have arrived in Kirkuk. The Archbishop of Kirkuk and Suleymaniyah, Dr. Joseph Toma informed UNHCR that 270 Christian families have been displaced from Hamdaniya District (Ninewa) and other Christian areas near Mosul such as Bartila, Karakosh, Alkosh, Bashika. The IDPs reportedly came to Ainkawa in Erbil but then proceeded to Kirkuk, due to the lack of shelter. UNHCR sent a WASH specialist to conduct a technical assessment of the IDP camp in Laylan.