Acute Jaundice Syndrome cases were detected in Baharka camp in 23 November 2014 WHO together with the DoH investigated the alert and confirmed it’s to requirment to responed to the harsh weather effects on the health of the displaced population in Iraq. By week 45, Of these, 12,819 (20.3%) were Acute Respiratory Tract Infection (ARI) and 4,330 (7%) were cases of Acute Diarrhoea (AD).

The majority of cases of AD (63%) and ARI (75%) reported in this period were registered among children under five years. The highest numbers of cases of AD (68%) among children under five were recorded from Bajit Kandala while the highest ARI (58%) cases were reported from Arbat 1 and 2.

With the upcoming winter the numbers of ARI and AD cases are likely to increase posing a public health risk on children and other vulnerable groups. Health partners have stepped up surveillance ahead of the winter season. WHO estimates at US $ 23 million to respond to the harsh weather effects on the health of the displaced population in Iraq.

Health partners of the Health Cluster being the Health Cluster, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Cluster and the Nutrition Cluster have contributed to the spread of the disease. Water, Hygiene and Sanitation (WASH) levels at the household levels. However, hygiene and sanitation conditions are believed to have contributed to the spread of the disease. Water, Hygiene and Sanitation cluster together with health cluster partners are conducting hygiene promotion and education campaigns in camps.

Syria

18,740 Total Reported Cases of all Diseases
(from week 39 to to week 45)

11,442 Total Reported Cases (week 45)

63,174 # of Consultations
(from week 39 to to week 45)

12,819 Acute Respiratory Infection (ARI)
1,091 Skin Disease
92 Bloody Diarrhoea
39 Suspected Measles
4,330 Acute Diarrhoea (AD)
297 Acute Malnutrition
29 Acute Jaundice Syndrome (AJS)
13 C.Leishmaniasis

Reporting Sites (from week 39 to to week 45)

All diseases reported by age
65% Under 5 years
35% Above 5 years

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