Basic Needs

NOVEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Winterization distributions for Syrian refugees have started in four directions in all KRI governorates, including distributions of non-food items, kerosene, cash for kerosene and tent insulation kits. Assistance is provided on the needs basis to the vulnerable families, but not kits, covering only the items needed by the particular families. It required thorough work by the field teams on identification of the mostly needed and vulnerable.

- Comparing to the last year winterization, more attention is paid to the non-camp population, which was provided with winter items and cash for kerosene. Cash was provided in bank checks, covering two months consumption.

- Other organizations – IOM, NRC, UNICEF, German Red Cross, have participated in the winter distributions as well. IOM in Sulaimaniyah distributed 45,788 liters of kerosene to 2,008 families outside of camp, UNICEF provided winter clothes for the children, NRC distributed winter women clothes in the camps, GRC - 285,400 liters of kerosene in Domiz 2 camp targeting 1,427 HHs.

- Replacement of the tents and CRIs, spoiled due to storms in Dohuk and Erbil governorates has been continued in November, 2015.

- Number of new arrivals remained low. Assistance provided to the newly arrived refugees covered mainly those who moved to the camps from urban locations or newly married families.

- UNHCR partner in Al-Obaidi camp distributed remained NFIs to 17 families, living in the camp.

- Precarious security situation in Anbar governorate still makes impossible delivery of any assistance to Al-Obaidi camp. ISHO, UNHCR partner in Al-Qaim continues to buy and distribute kerosene, but tents and CRIs are not available any more. Families, arrived recently from Syria could not be accommodated in the camp, due to absence of tents.

NEEDS ANALYSIS:

- Population statistics and planned targets for winterization suggest that the large gaps for winter NFIs and kerosene still remain. However, the implementing partners have been reporting significant of non-shows alover KRI, which may indicate about departures to Turkey and Europe.

- In many camps plastic sheet and insulation kits are needed because tents have leakage and concrete slabs are releasing moisture that percolates from the ground. The lack of sealing off kits, distributed to the non-camp population this year became a concern in cold areas of Duhok, Sulaymaniyah and Erbil.

IRAQ RESPONSE INDICATORS: NOVEMBER 2015

7,000 (232 in November) Households received core relief items in-kind (including new arrivals and replacement of old tents)

36,760 (16,257 in November) Households received seasonal support through cash or in-kind assistance (winterization)

13,981 Households received seasonal support through cash or in-kind assistance (summarization)

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