



This report is produced by the Livelihoods Sector Working Group in Jordan in response to the Syria crisis. It shows progresses in project implementation and funding status during the reporting period. It summarizes achievement and challenges and highlights foreseen needs for the next quarter. For the monthly update, please see the Monthly Sector Dashboard at this <u>link</u>.

Reporting and Monitoring Phase

Implementation of Inter-Agency Appeal in Support of Jordan Response Plan

Partners by Component (Total 22, Population 7,428)

REFUGEE: 16 Partners, 7 Governorates

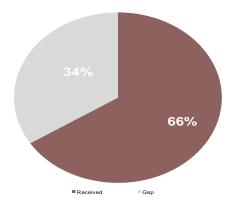
Locations: Ajlun, Amman, Irbid, Jerash, Mafraq, Aqaba

and Zarqa Governorates

Funding Status (Refugee component)

Requested: \$52,768,437 Received: \$31,113,881 Gap: \$21,654,556

Source: Financial Tracking System



RESILIENCE: 9 Partners, 9 Governorates

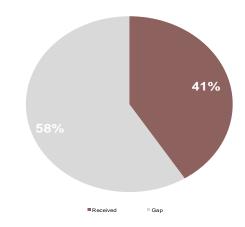
Locations: Ajlun, Amman, Irbid, AlBalqa, Jerash, Mafraq,

Karak, Madaba and Zarga

Funding Status (Resilience component)

Requested: \$46,846,681 Received: \$18,834,203 Gap: \$28,012,478

Source: Financial Tracking System



Progress against Targets: Sector Priority Indicators





Key achievements

- The Government once again extended the grace period for work permits to be issued to Syrian workers for free until 31 December 2018.
- With a Cabinet decision, the Government also excluded Syrians from the reduction of foreign workers in the manufacturing sector. This decision falls under the National Empowerment and Employment Programme NEEP which aims to limiting the recruitment of non-nationals through a system of closed sectors, closed occupations, quotas, and permit fees from which Syrian refugees are now confirmed to be excluded.
- ZOE and ACE work permits numbers increase: the number of refugees resident in Azraq camp that have a work permit increased to 3731 in May. Out of which 1904 were approved by SRAD. In Zaatari camp, there were 9605 work permits registered at ZOE; over 100, 000 check-in check-out instances were recorded
- Work permit update:
- ⇒ A total of 20,787 (issued and renewed) during the period of January 1, 2018– June 30, 2018.
- ⇒ Breakdown by gender: 19,915 males and 872 for females.

Challenges faced during the reporting period

- Mixed messages on the support to the Syrian Home Based Businesses' intervention in the JRP. Still remains an issue that has been carried on from last year. The LWG has sought clarifications from MOPIC/MoL /World Bank. The JRP/3RP draft has 4.8 million dedicated to this area of intervention.
- ⇒ GoJ are not seeing enough projects under the Resilience component and are therefore not meeting the target set for RES under the JRP.
- Lack of clarity around processes and guidelines that projects should abide by in order to ensure they are approved in a timely manner.
- Inconsistent application of labor law regulation/ directives at the labor directorate level, particularly with regards to moving work permits between sectors.
- Delays in JORISS approval of UNHCR and other non-UNHCR funded livelihoods project. New requirements for approval include signing an MoU with MoL, setting up an advisory board, payment of M&E to MoL are affecting the sector. Advocacy for streamlined procedures is ongoing.

Gaps and key priorities foreseen in the 2nd quarter (April- June)

♦ Gaps:

Increased collaboration needed for standard setting in agency-driven job placement and training programs.

♦ Key Priorities:

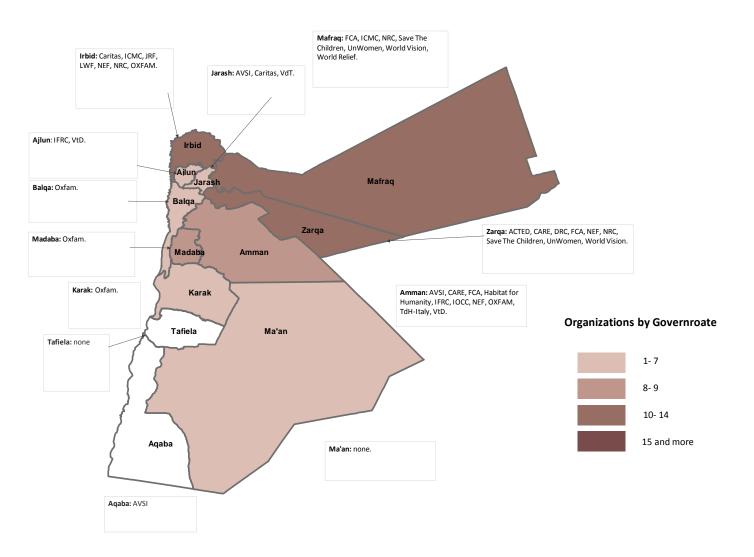
- Continue to advocate for more flexibility in occupations open to refugees, particularly within foreign worker quotas in the services sector.
- Continue to advocate for the creation of practical, legal pathways for Syrians to independently license and register their HBBs.
- Identify opportunities to link GoJ strategic resilience priorities with refugee labor market inclusion/ integration.

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Organizations and coverage

The achievements described in this report are based on the inputs provided by the following organizations through the ActivityInfo database.

















































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For more information on the Livelihood sector please look at:

http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/working_group.php?Page=Country&LocationId=107&Id=73