

WINTER SITUATION REPORT

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Overview

Camps

Winter NFI needs of the camp population are covered by CRS, IOM and UNHCR. Distributions have been ongoing since the beginning of November.

UNICEF started the distribution of winter clothing for children in the second week of November.

By mid-December it is expected that the winter response in all camps will be finalised.

Out of camp – IDPs and returnees

The following partners have been serving highly vulnerable families in out of camp locations:

CNSF, CRS, DRC, GRC, ICRC, IOM, IRW, PWJ, TDH, TEARFUND, UNHCR, UNICEF and OXFAM.

Partners were able to allocate more funding to the winter response and increase the originally planned number of winter NFI kits from 43,000 to 64,000. Operations have started with the majority of distributions planned to take place in the first two weeks of December.

Government support

To date no reports have reached the Shelter Cluster on MOMD winter support.

Achievements

29,510 families were supported with winter NFI during the month of November

- The total camp population in Jed'ah 5 (Ninewa), Laylan 1 and 2, Yahyawa and Nazrawa (Kirkuk) has been served and approximately 7,000 households (HH) supported.
- The newcomers and families in need of replenishment were assisted in Qayyarah Airstrip (3,145 HH) and Haj Ali (1,300 HH) in Ninewa.
- The total camp population in Kilo 18 (288 HH), HTC (1,544 HH), BzBz (1,186 HH) in Anbar, Al Alam (422 HH), Al Shahama/Karama (438 HH), Basateen (287 HH) in Salah Al Din, Muskar Saad (152 HH) and Al Wand (930 HH) in Diyala has been assisted.
- 10,560 IDP families out of camps and 2,250 returnee families were supported in Ninewa, Salah Al Din and Sulaymaniyah governorates.

Outstanding needs

Government winter interventions

MOMD has not shared any plan with the Shelter Cluster on the distribution of kerosene, clothing and tents. No activities have been reported so far.

Kerosene distributions in camps for winter

In none of the camps in Anbar, Baghdad, Dahuk, Diyala, Erbil, Kirkuk, Salah Al Din, Sulaymania and Ninewa kerosene for winter has been distributed and plans have either been communicated vaguely or not at all. Some camp managers expect distributions by mid-December based on informally shared plans by MOMD focal points. In camps in Centre and South kerosene for cooking is also not distributed on a regular and sufficient basis.

This is of particular concern as reports of negative coping mechanisms by camp residents, such as burning trash, have reached the Shelter Cluster team.

MOMD tent replacement

21,000 tents in Iraq remain in critical need of replacement in light with winter.

Constraints

- Due to the heavy rains of November 23rd and the consequent floods in Ninewa and Northern Salah Al Din, the Shelter Cluster is concerned about the potential diversion of already allocated winter assistance for out of camp highly vulnerable families, to the flood-affected population. The winter assistance can be of crucial support for this population, however, such decisions need to be taken based on a needs assessment and in close coordination with the Shelter Cluster to ensure that with limited resources the most vulnerable families receive appropriate timely assistance.
- Delays in distributions: At the beginning of November, several customs checkpoints were established between KRG and Federal Iraq, which has resulted in the change of procedures for humanitarian organizations sending their food, NFI and other commodities. The establishment of the checkpoints was further complicated by the lack of clarity surrounding the new procedures for humanitarian organizations to request access, responsible coordinating bodies, length of the procedure and necessary documentation for submission.

Infographics

As of November 29th, **21%** of targeted  have been reached with winter support

