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Emergency Appeal Operations Update

Iraq: Population Movement

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Emergency appeal n° MDRIQ006	GLIDE n° OT-2014-000074-IRQ
Operations update n° 1	Timeframe covered by this update: 14/06/2014 to 28/09/2014
Emergency Appeal operation start date:	Timeframe: 6 months; End Date: 31/12/2014
Appeal budget: CHF 6,400,292	Appeal coverage: 16% until end of august (49% at the time of publication)
Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) allocated: CHF 364,486	
N° of people being assisted: 180,000	
Host National Society presence: 200 staff and volunteers are involved in this operation, while IRCS has around 4,000 staff and active volunteers nationwide.	
Red Cross Red Crescent Movement partners actively involved in the operation: ICRC, French Red Cross, Turkish Red Crescent, Qatar Red Crescent, and a Swedish Red Cross consortium including Norwegian Red Cross and German Red Cross.	
Other partner organizations actively involved in the operation: UN agencies are working closely with the Ministry of Displacement and Migration (MoDM) in Baghdad and the Government of Kurdish region of Iraq to ensure a coordinated assessment and response. (Refer to the Coordination section for details)	

The following update covers the operations undertaken by the Iraqi Red Crescent to support the most vulnerable Men, women and children affected by the population movement emergency until end of September 2014. However, the financial report only covers the period until end of August, in an attempt to speed up the publication of this update. It is also worth mentioning that as of October, this appeal will be revised to match the evolving need of the internal displaced Iraqis in Iraq, and merged with the Syrian Refugees Appeal, formally supported under the Lebanon, Jordan & Iraq: Population Movement appeal.

Summary:

As a result of the early August 2014 violence, the region of northern Iraq has seen escalated insecurity and a significant deterioration in the humanitarian situation. The surge in violence between armed groups and government forces has resulted in an estimated 1.2 million internally displaced persons in central and northern Iraq and left an estimated 1.5 million people in need of assistance.

In August 2014, approximately 200,000 people from Sinjar District and other areas of Ninewa Governorate had fled their homes, with an estimated 180,000 crossing into Dahuk Governorate, according to the Iraqi Red Crescent and United Nations (UN). Between 10,000 and 40,000 people have fled onto the nearby Sinjar mountain ridge—where Internally Displaced People (IDPs) were surrounded by armed groups and stranded in extreme temperatures. Humanitarian airdrops of food and water began on 7 August. According to media reports, thousands of civilians descended Sinjar Mountain on August 9 and 10 with assistance from Kurdish security forces.



IRCS volunteers unloading blankets for distribution in Zeriland.
Source : C. Stein, IFRC.

The size and pace of the crisis has overwhelmed local communities, particularly in Dahuk (over 400,000 IDPs reported). The town of Zahko (population of 350,000) is hosting 100,000 displaced people.

Displacement to the southern areas of the country is increasing, as thousands of families from Ninewa are moving towards Najaf, Kerbala, Basrah, Wassit and Missan.

Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) Principals have declared a Level 3 emergency which is only applied for exceptional circumstances. The declaration sets up adequate capacity and tools for enhanced leadership and coordination of the humanitarian system.

The current crisis and movement of IDPs resulted to delay in opening of schools in host communities thus directly affecting over 850,000 students.

Since the second half of August, fighting moved west, away from the Kurdish region of Iraq. Therefore, the situation in the operational area is now calm but humanitarian needs are increasing

The current number of IDPs in Iraq is approximately 1.8 million persons. In the Kurdish region of Iraq Region only, based on different sources, there are between 730,000 and 800,000 IDPs. (Sources: OCHA, 5 September, 2014). In Dahuk Governorate, the town of Zahko (population of 350,000) is hosting 100,000 displaced people.

There are four IDP camp sites under construction in Dahuk: Zakho, Shariya, Khanke, and the extension of the pre-existing Bajet Kandala reception center. Ten additional camps should be built by the end of the year with a total capacity of 150,000 IDPs. OCHA reports that more than 2,000 schools are occupied country-wide by more than 40,000 IDPs. In order to reopen schools as soon as possible, beneficiaries living in schools will be relocated in priority to the new camps. The current situation is affecting over 850,000 children who can't go to school.

Number of IDPs per Governorate						
Date →	5-Sep-14	2-Sep-14	5-Sep-14	Beg.-Sept-14	1-Sep-14	
Source →	USAID	European Com.	OCHA	WFP	IOM	
Governorate ↓						
Dohuk	465,168	520,400	520,445	485,706	465,168	Approx 65% of IDPs in Kurdistan are in Dohuk Gov.
Erbil	176,784	184,000	184,006	170,544	176,784	Approx 23% of IDPs are in Erbil Gov.
Sulaymaniyah	90,420	95,200	95,207	88,242	90,420	Approx 12% of IDPs are in Sulaymaniyah Gov.
Total Kurdistan	732,372	799,600	799,658	744,492	732,372	
Total IDPs in Iraq	1,693,542	1,800,000	1,800,000	1,671,312	1,709,178	

Coordination and partnerships

IFRC: The IFRC has deployed three FACT rotations to support the Dahuk branch with the management of the appeal activities and create a logistics plan. FACT is also supporting the IRCS with relief planning, logistics systems and reporting. FACT third rotation is in the country and looking for longer term non FACT positions.

French Red Cross:

The French Red Cross is currently supporting 2,480 families in 26 different non-camp settlements across Sumel and Amedi districts, through the distribution of NFI kits (hygiene, baby, sleeping, cooking and cleaning kits) and water/sanitation activities. They are in the planning stages to set-up a winterization program (NFI and Shelter intervention) targeting the vulnerable families benefiting from the current actions, in order to offer them a "full package" response. The French Red Cross has also constructed – and is maintaining – the water and sanitation facilities in Khanke Camp for a first batch of 1,336 families, along with hygiene promotion and NFI distributions in both Khanke Camp and Informal Settlement. French Red Cross continues its ongoing programming with Syrian refugees in Domiz camp, and its pilot livelihood project in the Dahuk governorate. French Red Cross has a well-established delegation based in Dahuk, which provides WASH support to camps. The team has been in country for over a year supporting the Syrian refugee response and is now expanding services to support IDPs.



500 families were given relief items and food parcels in the village of Rovia, Source: IFRC

Italian Red Cross: After an initial assessment done in August, the mobile Kitchen arrived on 12 September in Sumel (Dohuk Governorate) with a team of 28 expats, six trucks and six light vehicles. With the close collaboration of the IRCS, the kitchen has served 22,000 meals since cooking began on 22 September. Warm meals have been distributed to the Khanke IDP camp as well as several schools and unfinished houses in the Sumel area. The maximum capacity of the kitchen is from 10,000 to 20,000 meals per day.

German Red Cross: Deployed one person to perform a needs assessment and capacity of partners including IRCS and has notified IRCS that relief supplies were available for distribution. Goods were transferred from UNHCR to IRCS on 25 August. Two persons from German RC team met FACT Team Leader on 12 September to assess the possibility to implement bilateral activities. Activities have to be identified and will be based on existing needs and gaps.

Turkish Red Crescent: TRCS team based in Erbil continues with massive relief distributions of food, water and NFI. Since June, Turkish RC imported 156 trucks of Food and NFIs and distributed these items to approximately 35,000 families throughout Kurdish region of Iraq and outside Kurdistan.

Iranian Red Crescent: Donated 250 tents, 3,000 tins of canned food bilaterally and 9,000 blankets were picked up by IRCS at the borders.

Danish Red Cross: The DRC intends to conduct Psychosocial and Hygiene Promotion activities in Northern Iraq.

ICRC: ICRC continues with food, water and health assistance throughout Iraq. In Dahuk province, food and EHI items have been distributed to 13,000 IDP families from Sinjar in the Khanke area. Water trucking is ongoing for 82,800 IDPs Dahuk / Khanke and Diyala (Three IDP camps). In Khanke camp, food, water, IEHK and medical kits were distributed to 13,000 families. ICRC is also conducting Protection and RFL activities. An IHL activity is planned to start in upcoming weeks.

Coordination:

Cluster Activity	FACT team members are participating to relevant cluster meetings and are providing IRCS distribution data to Food Security and NFI/Shelter Cluster leads, so that IRCS activities will be recognized and reported in the international forum. NFI/Shelter: FACT has been in coordination with the cluster, French RC, and German RC to plan for the distribution of winterization materials. This will have a significant impact on the development of the revised EPoA and appeal. The cluster is due to discuss this on 28 Sept.
Host/local government	A coordination meeting is taking place once a week at the governorate office and chaired by the Vice Governor.
RCRC Movement	Excellent coordination and communication between IFRC and IRCS. During the reporting period, IFRC FACT Team met French RC, ICRC, Italian Red Cross, German RC, Danish Red Cross. Coordination and collaboration are a priority.
Outcomes of FACT meetings with other actors	WHO / MSF / FRC / ICRC / DoH : The FACT health assessment was conducted in close collaboration with IRCS, ICRC as well as external partners. Private companies: two private oil companies showed an interest to support the Appeal. One company met once and the other met twice. Discussions are ongoing.

Operational implementation

IRCS has been responding since the conflict started in early June. Since then, it has distributed emergency rations of sandwiches and water, primarily in the form of on-the-road assistance, food parcels and relief items. This appeal has so far reached 15,000 (3000HH) of vulnerable men and women IDPs.

IRCS staff and volunteers (200 in Dahuk city and 350 across the governorate) continue with ongoing relief distributions of food parcels and NFI.

Branch leadership has been working closely with the FACT team to organize the relief distributions for the first 2,880 families

IRCS continues to register beneficiaries and has registered over 10,000 families. There was a reinforcement of the coordination between IRCS, WFP, Food Cluster, the Governorate and the local authorities (mayor) in order to target most affected IDPs.

The planning of the upcoming distribution for 9,600 families has already started. IRCS plays a key role in order to identify most vulnerable beneficiaries and to coordinate with regional and local authorities in order to distribute Food parcels, NFIs and hygiene kits in the most efficient manner.

Primary IFRC Activities: The initial 2,880 food parcels and NFI kits have been received for 2,880 families, with 400 going to Zakho, 400 to Akre, 400 to Amedi and 680 to Erbil. 1,000 were retained in Dohuk for distribution within the city area and to Bardarash. The second procurement process is in progress for 9,600 families (7,500 IDPs and 2,100 Syrian refugees). Health and health care of IDPs throughout Kurdistan, especially in Dahuk Governorate, is a worry. Therefore, after field visits and multiple meetings with partners (MoH, WHO, MSF, FRC, UNICEF) IFRC launched a health assessment and deployed a Doctor specialized in public health in the Kurdish Region of Iraq.

Overview

Sector and related outcomes
Water, sanitation & hygiene promotion
Outcome 1: Hygiene items provided to 36,000 internally displaced families (180,000 persons) as soon as needed
Key activities:
Conduct an assessment by IRCS staff / volunteers in coordination with the authorities and Movement Partners to identify targeted distribution of stocks as needed
Procure and pre-position and stock pile the Hygiene kits and Jerry cans for immediate distribution to the IDPs as the need arises
Organize hygiene promotion awareness sessions targeting IDPs who are exposed to risk of communicable diseases.
Monitor the evolving situation to respond to the hygiene needs and use of stocks and hygiene promotion
Shelter and settlements
Outcome 1: Immediate most essential non-food items to meet the needs of 36,000 internally displaced families (180,000 persons) are met as soon as needed
Key activities:
Conduct an assessment by IRC staff / volunteers in coordination with the authorities and Movement Partners to identify targeted distribution of stocks as needed
Procure and pre-position/store NFI's for immediate distribution to the IDPs
Monitor the evolving situation to respond to the non-food needs and use of stocks
Food security, nutrition and livelihoods
Outcome 1: Immediate food needs of 36,000 internally displaced families (180,000 persons) are met as soon as needed
Key activities:
Conduct an assessment by IRCS staff / volunteers in coordination with the authorities and Movement Partners to identify targeted distribution of stocks as needed
Procure and pre-position non-perishable food in monthly increments for distribution as required to the IDPs
Monitor the evolving situation to respond to the food needs and use of stocks
Disaster preparedness and risk reduction
Outcome 1: The disaster management capacity of the National Society is strengthened to enable it to respond to the consequences of the crisis
Key activities:
Support the IRCS at the branch level in updating contingency, crisis and response plans.
Conduct relief and logistics training for staff and volunteers as required
Conduct basic/rapid needs assessment training/refreshers for National Disaster Response Teams as required.

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The IFRC's vision is to inspire, encourage, facilitate and promote at all times all forms of humanitarian activities by National Societies, with a view to preventing and alleviating human suffering, and thereby contributing to the maintenance and promotion of human dignity and peace in the world.

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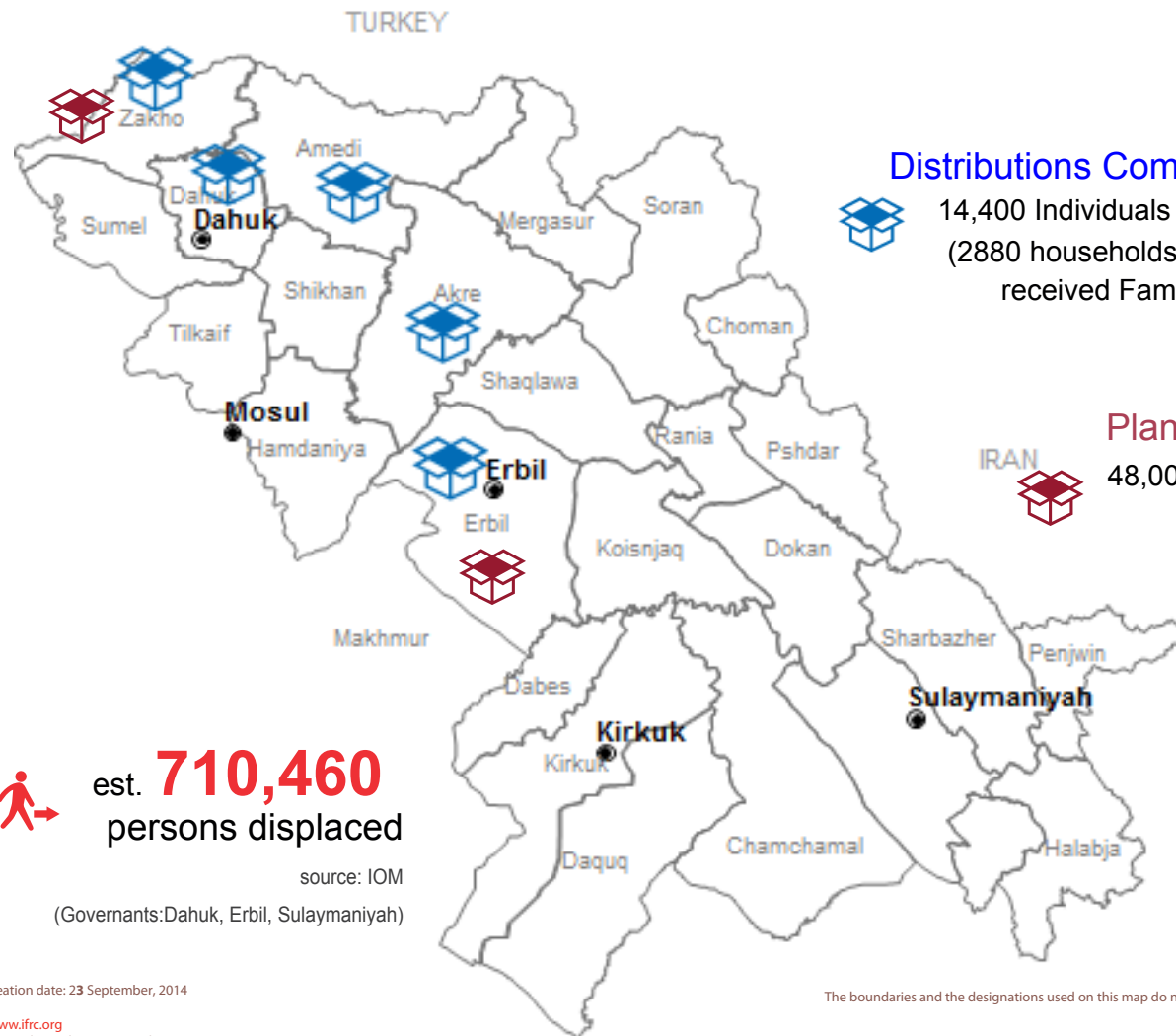
1. Save lives, protect livelihoods, and strengthen recovery from disaster and crises.
2. Enable healthy and safe living.
3. Promote social inclusion and a culture of non-violence and peace.

IRAQ civil unrest & population movement

23 Sept 2014


The **IRAQI RED CRESCENT SOCIETY** response in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq

The Iraqi Red Crescent Society (IRCS) has been active on the ground since the displacement began due to the armed conflict on 10 June in **Ninewa, Kirkuk, Diyala** and **Salah al-Din** governorates. The IRCS has distributed relief items and supplementary food parcels to 2,880 households in the Dahuk Governate beginning on 31 August. Another 9,600 households will receive relief items and supplementary food parcels in the coming weeks in both the Dahuk and Erbil Governates.







Distributions Completed
 14,400 Individuals
 (2880 households)
 received Family Relief Packs

Planned Distributions
 48,000 Individuals (9,600 Households)
 37,500 Iraqi IDPs 10,500
 Syrians Refugees

 est. **710,460**
 persons displaced
 source: IOM
 (Governants: Dahuk, Erbil, Sulaymaniyah)

IRCS Family Relief Pack

-  Food parcel - 10 days supplementary ration
 Rice, Oil, sugar, Tea, Salt, Tomato Paste, lentils, Beans, Pasta
-  One 10 litre Jerry Can
-  Sleeping Items
 4 mattresses, 4 blankets
-  Cooking, Heating, and Eating Items
 Kerosene Cooking Stove, Kitchen set

Other assistance:
 All IRCS branches have been procuring and distributing gas stoves, baby milk, ice blocks and blankets as well as setting up camps throughout the emergency.

The IRCS has 200 staff and volunteers that are involved in this operation, while IRCS has around 4,000 staff and active volunteers nationwide.

The IFRC has launched Emergency Plan of Action (EPoA) and Emergency Appeal for CHF 6,400,292 to support IRCS in assisting 180,000 persons.

Red Cross Red Crescent Movement partners actively involved in the operation:
 ICRC, French Red Cross, Turkish Red Crescent, Qatar Red Crescent, Italian Red Cross, and a consortium including the Norwegian Red Cross, Swedish Red Cross, and German Red Cross.

Disaster Response Financial Report**MDRIQ006 - Iraq - Population Movement**

Timeframe: 14 Jun 14 to 30 Dec 14

Appeal Launch Date: 01 Jul 14

Interim Report**Selected Parameters**

Reporting Timeframe	2014/6-2014/8	Programme	MDRIQ006
Budget Timeframe	2014/6-2014/12	Budget	APPROVED
Split by funding source	Y	Project	*
Subsector:	*		

All figures are in Swiss Francs (CHF)

I. Funding

	Raise humanitarian standards	Grow RC/RC services for vulnerable people	Strengthen RC/RC contribution to development	Heighten influence and support for RC/RC work	Joint working and accountability	TOTAL	Deferred Income
A. Budget		6,400,292				6,400,292	
B. Opening Balance							
Income							
Cash contributions							
<i>American Red Cross</i>		45,797				45,797	
<i>Bulgarian Red Cross</i>		916				916	
<i>Japanese Red Cross Society</i>		88,695				88,695	
<i>Red Crescent Society of Islamic Republic of Iran</i>		3,900				3,900	
<i>Swedish Red Cross</i>		690,773				690,773	
<i>Taiwan Red Cross Organisation</i>		26,976				26,976	
<i>The Canadian Red Cross Society (from Canadian Government*)</i>		24,657				24,657	
<i>The Netherlands Red Cross (from Netherlands Red Cross Silent Emergency Fund*)</i>		51,756				51,756	
C1. Cash contributions		933,469				933,469	
Inkind Goods & Transport							
<i>Red Crescent Society of Islamic Republic of Iran</i>		59,994				59,994	
C2. Inkind Goods & Transport		59,994				59,994	
C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C4)		993,463				993,463	
D. Total Funding = B + C		993,463				993,463	

* Funding source data based on information provided by the donor

II. Movement of Funds

	Raise humanitarian standards	Grow RC/RC services for vulnerable people	Strengthen RC/RC contribution to development	Heighten influence and support for RC/RC work	Joint working and accountability	TOTAL	Deferred Income
B. Opening Balance							
C. Income		993,463				993,463	
E. Expenditure		-607,849				-607,849	
F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E)		385,614				385,614	

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III. Expenditure

Account Groups	Budget	Expenditure					TOTAL	Variance
		Raise humanitarian standards	Grow RC/RC services for vulnerable people	Strengthen RC/RC contribution to development	Heighten influence and support for RC/RC work	Joint working and accountability		
	A					B	A - B	
BUDGET (C)			6,400,292			6,400,292		
Relief items, Construction, Supplies								
Clothing & Textiles	1,008,000		59,994			59,994	948,006	
Food	540,000						540,000	
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	756,000						756,000	
Teaching Materials	3,600						3,600	
Utensils & Tools	1,080,000						1,080,000	
Other Supplies & Services	1,440,000						1,440,000	
Total Relief items, Construction, Sup	4,827,600		59,994			59,994	4,767,606	
Land, vehicles & equipment								
Computers & Telecom	63,600						63,600	
Office & Household Equipment	80,000						80,000	
Total Land, vehicles & equipment	143,600						143,600	
Logistics, Transport & Storage								
Transport & Vehicles Costs	354,112						354,112	
Total Logistics, Transport & Storage	354,112						354,112	
Personnel								
International Staff	295,500						295,500	
National Staff	19,500						19,500	
National Society Staff	24,000						24,000	
Volunteers	32,000						32,000	
Total Personnel	371,000						371,000	
Consultants & Professional Fees								
Consultants	7,500		5,808			5,808	1,692	
Total Consultants & Professional Fees	7,500		5,808			5,808	1,692	
Workshops & Training								
Workshops & Training	140,000		37			37	139,963	
Total Workshops & Training	140,000		37			37	139,963	
General Expenditure								
Travel	85,000		8,638			8,638	76,362	
Information & Public Relations	25,000		184			184	24,816	
Office Costs	6,000						6,000	
Communications	6,000		476			476	5,524	
Financial Charges	2,000		-8,155			-8,155	10,155	
Shared Office and Services Costs	41,852						41,852	
Total General Expenditure	165,852		1,142			1,142	164,710	
Operational Provisions								
Operational Provisions			503,769			503,769	-503,769	
Total Operational Provisions			503,769			503,769	-503,769	
Indirect Costs								
Programme & Services Support Recov	390,628		37,099			37,099	353,529	
Total Indirect Costs	390,628		37,099			37,099	353,529	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D)	6,400,292		607,849			607,849	5,792,443	
VARIANCE (C - D)			5,792,443			5,792,443		

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IV. Breakdown by subsector

Business Line / Sub-sector	Budget	Opening Balance	Income	Funding	Expenditure	Closing Balance	Deferred Income
BL2 - Grow RC/RC services for vulnerable people							
Disaster response	6,400,292		993,463	993,463	607,849	385,614	
Subtotal BL2	6,400,292		993,463	993,463	607,849	385,614	
GRAND TOTAL	6,400,292		993,463	993,463	607,849	385,614	