Fact Sheet: United Nations cross-border operations from Jordan to Syria (in January 2016)

UN Security Council Resolution 2165/2191

Through the unanimous adoption of resolutions 2165 (2014) , 2191 (2014), 2258 (2015) until 10 January 2017, the UN Security Council has authorized UN agencies and their partners to use routes across conflict lines and the border crossings at Bab al-Salam, Bab al-Hawa, Al Yarubiyah and Al-Ramtha, to deliver humanitarian assistance, including medical and surgical supplies, to people in need in Syria. The government of Syria is notified in advance of each shipment and a UN monitoring mechanism has been established to oversee loading in neighboring countries and confirm the humanitarian nature.

Sector Classifications

Food: food baskets
NFIs: dignity kits, blankets, jerry cans, kitchen sets, sleeping mats, mattresses, winterization kits, tarpaulins
WASH: basic water kits for families, water purification tablets, hygiene kits for families and babies, sanitary napkins, diapers
Health: emergency health kits, surgical kits, reproductive health kits, midwifery kits, medical consumables
Education: recreational kits

Potential Gaps

Clashes and aerial bombardment continue in and around Sheikh Miskine following a government of Syria offensive to retake the town in November 2015. In total, 36,000 people have been displaced from Sheikh Miskine, Abtaa, and Nawa in the past two months alone. New IDPs and their host communities require protection, as well as food, shelter, NFIs, and access to clean and safe water. With winter temperatures now gripping southern Syria, families also need items such as thermal blankets, winter clothes, and heating fuel.

Humanitarian Response

Relevant sectors are coming together to ensure a well-coordinated response to recent displacement. By the end of January 2015, Food Security Sector (FSS) partners had reached 10,762 IDPs from Sheikh Miskine, Abtaa and Nawa in surrounding towns and villages (some 30% of the newly displaced population) and put in place a forward plan to serve additional families in February. The NFI/Shelter Sector also developed a coordinated response plan to serve some 25,000 individuals by early February (nearly 70% of newly displaced). With IDP numbers expected to continue to grow in February - and the potential that up to 70,000 people will be displaced in the south - partners are looking to rapidly scale up preparedness over coming weeks.

Number of Beneficiaries Assisted by the UN and its partners

Number of beneficiaries reached by district by sector (in January 2016)

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Number of beneficiaries per month per sector

since July 2014 to January 2016

- Food: 931
- WASH: 751*
- NFI: 748
- Health: 320
- Education: 24

Trucks: 83
Convoys: 1,172
Agencies: 6

in January 2016

- Food: 150
- WASH: 397*
- NFI: 20
- Health: 0
- Education: 0

Trucks: 58
Convoys: 5
Agencies: 3

*Number of beneficiaries (for WASH sector) increased due to the delivery of Sodium Hypochlorite. This figure represents potential beneficiaries in catchment areas and does not represent the actual number of individuals receiving assistance in these areas.

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