

RETURN OF UNDOCUMENTED AFGHANS

WEEKLY SITUATION REPORT 04-10 JUNE 2017



Highlights

1,091 undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan

4,426 undocumented Afghans returned from Iran

68,052 total returns from Pakistan since 01 January 2017

150,166 total returns from Iran since 01 January 2017

81% of returnees from Pakistan (888 individuals) assisted

3% of returnees from Iran (119 individuals) assisted

Return from Pakistan

A total of **1,091**undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Pakistan through the Turkham border (Nangarhar province) and Spin Boldak (Kandahar province) border crossings from 04–10 June 2017, according to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR).

Of the total returnees, 1,004 were spontaneous returnees in family groups and 87 were deported individuals. This is a **42% decrease** from the previous week and marks an anticipated decline for the holy month of Ramadan. Recent high profile security incidents in Kabul and the Eastern Region are also influencing the decision to return. The total number of undocumented Afghans returnees from Pakistan since 01 January 2017 is now **68,052**.

IOM provided post-arrival assistance to **81%** of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan (888 individuals), including **103 single parents and 14 special needs cases**. The assistance provided includes meals, accommodation, basic medical screening, Non-Food Items (NFIs), onward transportation cash grants and referral services, as well as support from partners (see Annex 1).

Situation Overview

IOM is responding to a substantial increase in the return of undocumented Afghans from Pakistan and Iran. Since 01 January 2017, over 218,000 undocumented Afghans have returned due to diverse push factors, including deteriorating protection space in Pakistan. This figure represents a significantly higher rate of return than in previous years. Most of those returning from Pakistan have lived outside of Afghanistan for decades, and will need support from the government and humanitarian actors both on arrival and as they seek to reintegrate.

As the rate of return is influenced by a number of political, security and other related factors both in Afghanistan and neighboring countries, another surge in returns could occur at any time. IOM estimates that approximately 600,000 undocumented Afghans could return from Pakistan and Iran in 2017, and is working to scale up its support to returnees in coordination with the Government of Afghanistan and other humanitarian partners.

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Returns from Iran

A total of **4,426** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Iran through the Islam Qala (Herat) and Milak (Nimroz) border crossings between 04–10 June 2017, a **24% decrease** from the previous week. Of the total spontaneous returnees, 145(9%) were in family groups and 1,555(91%) were individuals. Similarly, out of the total deportees, 187 (7%) were in family groups whereas 2,533 (93%) were individuals. This brings the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran since 01 January 2017 to **150,166**.

IOM provided post-arrival humanitarian assistance to **119 (3%)** undocumented Afghans deported from Iran at its Transit Centers in Herat and Nimroz, including 15 special cases, 2 medical cases and 34 unaccompanied migrant children.

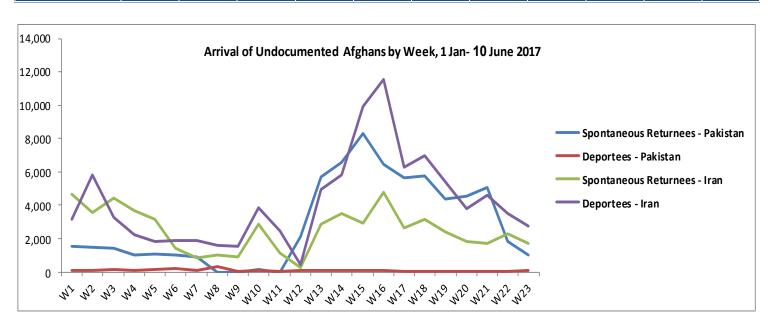


Number of Undocumented Returnees in 2017 (Turkham, Spin Boldak, Islam Qala and Milak)

Date		Spontaneous Returnees			Deportees			Total	Tatal	Grand	
	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz	Pakistan Iran	Total Iran	Total
Jan - Apr 17	28,022	16,132	17,077	27,945	1,316	482	7,183	58,967	45,952	111,172	157,124
1 - 20 May	12,670	1230	17	7,003	133	0	9	15,343	14,033	22,372	36,405
21-27 May	5,062	0	18	1,712	26	0	3	4,624	5,088	6,357	11,445
28 May- 3 June	602	1233	5	2,312	53	0	5	3,517	1,888	5,839	7,727
04-10 June	410	594	7	1,693	27	60	6	2,720	1,091	4,426	5,517
Total	46,766	19,189	17,124	40,665	1,555	542	7,206	85,171	68,052	150,166	218,218

IOM Assisted Undocumented Afghans in 2017 (Turkham, Spin Boldak, Islam Qala and Milak)

	Spontaneous Returnees			Deportees							
Date	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz	Total Pakistan	Total Iran	Grand Total
Jan - Apr 17	25,702	9,921	84	204	296	369	639	3881	36,288	4,808	41,096
1-20 May	12,539	940	13	76	46	0	6	1013	13,525	1,108	14,633
21-27 May	4,974	0	4	27	2	0	2	219	4,976	252	5,228
28 May - 3 June	602	989	2	53	4	0	5	356	1,595	416	2,011
04-10 June	390	480	6	3	5	13	0	110	888	119	1,007
Total	44,207	12,330	109	363	353	382	652	5,579	57,272	6,703	63,975



Annex 1: Detailed Breakdown of Assistance Provided by Partners at Turkham BCP, 04-10 June 2017

Organization	Location	Type of Assistance	Families Assisted	Total Individuals Assisted	Male	Female	Boys	Girls
WFP	Transit Center	Food Package	69	390	63	82	125	120
	Transit Center	Medical Services	31	59	10	27	9	13
	Transit Center	OPV Vaccination for children (>10 years)	0	0	0	0	0	0
WHO	Transit Center	OPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Transit Center	IPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	74	0	0	38	36
	Transit Center	Measles Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	74	0	0	37	37
	Transit Center	Hygiene Kits	69	390	63	82	125	120
	Transit Center	Family Kit	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNICEF	Transit Center	Hygiene Awareness Training	69	390	63	82	125	120
	Transit Center	Child Friendly Space	0	101	0	0	46	55
	Transit Center	Nutrition services for children 6-59 months, and pregnant women and lactating mothers	0	69	0	22	23	24
UNFPA	Transit Center	Dignity kits	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Zero Point	Medical Services	0	218	76	77	21	44
	Zero Point	OPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	161	0	0	0	0
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AADA/UNFPA	Zero Point	IPV Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	45	0	0	22	23
	Zero Point	Measles Vaccination for children (<10 years)	0	44	0	0	22	22
	Zero Point	HIV/AIDS Awareness	0	173	89	0	84	0
AADA/UNICEF	Zero Point	Nutrition services for children (6-59 months), pregnant women and lactating mothers	0	94	0	27	30	37
MDC/UNMAS	Transit Center	Mine Risk Education	0	273	55	56	79	83

Annex 2: Breakdown of Assistance Provided at all Border Crossings, 04-10 June 2017

Categories	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Islam Qala	Milak	Total
Non-Food Item (NFI) Kits	69	68	0	16	153
Medical Care	59	54	0	0	113
Tuberculosis Screening	395	493	6	65	959
Overnight Accommodation	5	156	6	113	280
Total	528	771	12	194	1505

Annex 3: Transportation Cash Grant at Turkham Transit Center, 04-10 June 2017

No. of Families	No. of Individuals	Province of Final Destination	Transportation Grant (Per Person)	Total (USD)
1	10	Baghlan	\$50	500
2	12	Balkh	\$50	600
3	17	Ghazni	\$50	850
1	6	Jawzjan	\$50	300
24	119	Kabul	\$30	3,570
1	6	Kunduz	\$50	300
5	40	Khost	\$36	1,440
1	6	Kunar	\$30	180
4	19	Laghman	\$30	570
5	28	Logar	\$36	1,008
17	102	Nangarhar	\$25	2,550
4	22	Paktya	\$36	792
1	3	Parwan	\$36	108
69	390	-	-	12,768

Annex 4: Transportation Cash Grant at Kandahar Transit Center, 04-10 June 2017

No. of Families	No. of Individuals	Province of Final Destination	Transportation Grant (Per Person)	Total (USD)
1	9	Baghlan	\$40	360
1	4	Balkh	\$40	160
11	48	Ghazni	\$35	1,680
10	81	Helmand	\$40	3,240
11	96	Jawzjan	\$50	4,800
2	12	Kabul	\$30	360
9	68	Kandahar	\$30	2,040
14	85	Kunduz	\$50	4,250
1	8	Laghman	\$40	320
1	3	Nimroz	\$40	120
1	5	Paktika	\$50	250
2	16	Paktya	\$50	800
4	23	Sar-e-Pul	\$50	1,150
2	10	Takhar	\$50	500
3	12	Uruzgan	\$50	600
2	11	Zabul	\$40	440
2	2	Daykundi	\$40	80
77	493	-	-	21,150

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