



Registration of Afghan returnees by DoRR at IOM's Torkham Reception Centre in Nangarhar ©Abdul Qayum, June 2018

Highlights

215,434 total returns from Iran and Pakistan since 01 Jan 2019

205,125 total returns from Iran

10,309 total returns from Pakistan

9,284 undocumented Afghans returned from Iran with **7%** of returnees from Iran (618 individuals) assisted

321 undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan with **97%** of returnees from Pakistan (312 individuals) assisted

Return from Iran

According to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), a total of **9,284** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Iran through the Milak (Nimroz) and Herat (Islam Qala) border crossings between 09-15 June 2019, 124 % more than the previous week (4,137). **4,122** returned voluntarily, **5,162** were deported. This brings the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran since 01 January 2019 to **205,125**. IOM provided post-arrival humanitarian assistance to 618 (**7%**) undocumented Afghans deported from Iran at its Transit Centers in Nimroz and Herat, including 66 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 17 Medical Cases, 70 members of Single Parent Families, 13 Physically Disabled persons, 17 Special Cases, 20 Unaccompanied Elderly, 4 Single Females and 220 members of deported families and 182 poor families.

Protection Assistance for Returnees

The Protection Unit completed case management assessments for 69 PSN cases in Kunduz, Sare Pul, Herat, Takhar, Balkh, Nimroz, Kabul and Nangarhar provinces, including 23 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 19 Female-headed Households, 8 medical cases, 4 elderly at risk and 4 persons with substance abuse issues. In addition, 20 medical cases, 19 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 13 Female-headed Households, 6 persons with disabilities, 3 single females and 2 victims of human rights violations received protection assistance in Kunduz province.

Situation Overview

In 2019, IOM is projecting a return of over 570,000 returnees from Iran linked to ongoing economic challenges and a minimum of 50,000 returns from Pakistan, a figure that has already been endorsed by the Governments of Pakistan and Afghanistan. The remaining undocumented and Afghan Citizenship Card holding caseloads of more than 1,000,000 people may also face deportation from Pakistan in 2019.

Monthly Return of Undocumented Afghans

Month	Iran	Pakistan	Total
January 2019	34,413	1,291	35,704
February 2019	24,071	1,376	25,447
March 2019	37,512	2,202	39,714
April 2019	53,898	3,453	57,351
May-19	39,886	1,488	41,374
Jun-19	15,345	499	15,844
Total	205,125	10,309	215,434

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Return from Pakistan

According to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), a total of **321** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Pakistan through the Turkham (Nangarhar) and Spin Boldak (Kandahar) border crossings from 09-15 June 2019. All of the returnees were spontaneous returnees. This number marks an **372% more** compared to the last weeks (68). The total number of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan since 01 January 2019 is now 10,309. IOM provided post-arrival assistance to **97%** of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan (312 individuals).

Number of Undocumented Returnees in 2019 (Herat, Nimroz, Turkham and Spin Boldak)

Date	Iran				Total Iran	Pakistan				Total Pakistan	Overall Return
	Herat		Nimroz			Turkham		Kandahar			
	Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		
Jan - Apr 2019	34,756	27,894	31,948	55,296	149,894	1611	886	4895	930	8,322	158,216
01 May - 01 Jun 19	6,534	8,699	10,427	16,150	41,810	358	273	831	136	1,598	43,408
02 - 08 Jun 19	747	891	1,105	1,394	4,137	16	0	52	0	68	4,205
09-15 Jun 19	2,210	1,912	2,438	2,724	9,284	108	0	213	0	321	9,605
Total	44,247	39,396	45,918	75,564	205,125	2,093	1,159	5,991	1,066	10,309	215,434

Number of Assisted PSNs by IOM in 2019 (Herat, Nimroz, Turkham and Spin Boldak)

Date	Iran				Total Iran	Pakistan				Total Pakistan	Overall Assisted
	Herat		Nimroz			Turkham		Kandahar			
	Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		
Jan - Apr 2019	203	4,257	1,276	3,857	9,593	1611	149	4553	675	6,988	16,581
01 May - 01 Jun 19	108	1,641	212	861	2,822	358	0	670	0	1,028	3,850
02 - 08 Jun 19	9	86	21	37	153	16	0	0	0	16	169
09-15 Jun 19	80	240	163	135	618	108	0	204	0	312	930
Total	400	6,224	1,672	4,890	13,186	2,093	149	5,427	675	8,344	21,530

Type of Assisted PSNs by IOM (Turkham, Spin Boldak, Islam Qala and Milak)

PSNs Assisted 09-15 June 2019	Persons						Total
	From Iran			From Pakistan			
	Herat	Nimroz	Sub-Total	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Sub-Total	
Poor Family (PF)	56	126	182	84	177	261	443
Unaccompanied Migrant Children	46	20	66	0	0	0	66
Single Parents Family (SP)	34	36	70	24	27	51	121
Special Cases (SC)	5	12	17	0	0	0	17
Medical Case (MC)	12	5	17	0	0	0	17
Physically Disabled (PD)	5	8	13	0	0	0	13
Unaccompanied Elderly (UE)	13	7	20	0	0	0	20
Drug Addicted (DA)	5	2	7	0	0	0	7
Single Female (SF)	4	0	4	0	0	0	4
Mentally Ill (MI)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chronically ill (CI)	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
Deported Families	138	82	220	0	0	0	220
Total PSNs	320	298	618	108	204	312	930

IOM Afghanistan has assisted a total of 21,530 undocumented Afghans returning from Iran and Pakistan since 01 January 2019, thanks to the dedication of our staff and the generosity of our donors.



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