



A little Afghan girl is playing with a broom at the IOM Transit Center in Herat
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Highlights

272,496 total returns from Iran and Pakistan since 01 Jan 2019

259,437 total returns from Iran

13,059 total returns from Pakistan

9,332 undocumented Afghans returned from Iran with **6%** of returnees from Iran (599 individuals) assisted

370 undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan with **92%** of returnees from Pakistan (342 individuals) assisted

Return from Iran

According to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), a total of **9,332** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Iran through the Milak (Nimroz) and Herat (Islam Qala) border crossings between **21-27 July 2019**, **17 %** more than the previous week (**7,988**). **4,086** returned voluntarily, **5,246** were deported. This brings the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran since 01 January 2019 to **259,437**. IOM provided post-arrival humanitarian assistance to 599 (**6%**) undocumented Afghans deported from Iran at its Transit Centers in Nimroz and Herat, including 103 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 34 Medical Cases, 68 members of Single Parent Families, 11 Physically Disabled persons, 22 Unaccompanied Elderly, 4 Single Females, and 215 members of deported families, 12 persons with substance abuse concerns and 1 person with mental health issues.

Protection Assistance for Returnees

The Protection unit completed case management assessments for 74 PSN cases in Ghor, Kunduz, Nimroz, Nangarhar, Saripul, Takhar and Herat provinces including 21 special cases, 18 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 19 female-headed households, 2 at risk elderly persons, 8 single females, 10 medical cases and 4 persons with substance abuse concerns. In addition, 4 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 6 female-headed households received protection assistance in Takhar 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. On 27 June, ACCs were extended until 31 October 2019 by the Government of Pakistan.

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	35,277	1,440	36,717
Jul-19	34,380	1,809	36,189
Total	259,437	13,059	272,496

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Return from Pakistan

According to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), a total of **370** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Pakistan through the Turkham (Nangarhar) and Spin Boldak (Kandahar) border crossings from 21-27 July 2019. Of these returnees, 356 persons were spontaneous returnees and 14 were deportees. This number marks a **23%** decrease compared to the previous week (483). The total number of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan since 01 January 2019 is now 13,059. IOM provided post-arrival assistance to **92%** of undocumented returnees from Pakistan (342 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 - June 2019	48,271	42,822	50,295	83,669	225,057	2326	1210	6574	1140	11,250	236,307
01 - 13 Jul 2019	3,080	3,487	3,616	6,877	17,060	315	12	611	18	956	18,016
14-20 Jul 2019	1,589	1,746	1,762	2,891	7,988	118	0	329	36	483	8,471
21-27 Jul 2019	2,110	1,559	1,976	3,687	9,332	107	0	249	14	370	9,702
Total	55,050	49,614	57,649	97,124	259,437	2,866	1,222	7,763	1,208	13,059	272,496

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 - May 2019	510	6,923	1,874	5,617	14,924	2326	153	6072	675	9,226	24,150
01 - 13 Jul 2019	202	623	88	519	1,432	315	0	548	0	863	2,295
14-20 July 2019	93	378	22	175	668	118	0	313	0	431	1,099
21-27 July 2019	94	244	52	209	599	107	0	235	0	342	941
Total	899	8,168	2,036	6,520	17,623	2,866	153	7,168	675	10,862	28,485

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

PSNs Assisted 21-27 July 2019	Persons						Total
	From Iran			From Pakistan			
	Herat	Nimroz	Sub-Total	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Sub-Total	
Poor Family (PF)	69	34	103	86	158	244	347
Unaccompanied Migrant Children	58	30	88	0	0	0	88
Single Parents Family (SP)	50	18	68	21	77	98	166
Special Cases (SC)	27	14	41	0	0	0	41
Medical Case (MC)	23	11	34	0	0	0	34
Physically Disabled (PD)	8	3	11	0	0	0	11
Unaccompanied Elderly (UE)	11	11	22	0	0	0	22
Drug Addicted (DA)	11	1	12	0	0	0	12
Single Female (SF)	3	1	4	0	0	0	4
Mentally Ill (MI)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chronically ill (CI)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Deported Families	77	138	215	0	0	0	215
Total PSNs	338	261	599	107	235	342	941

IOM Afghanistan has assisted a total of 28,485 undocumented Afghans returning from Iran and Pakistan since 01 January 2019,

