

IOM provides assistance to affected populations inside Syria as well as Syrian refugees, Iraqi and Lebanese returnees and vulnerable host communities in the neighbouring countries of Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Turkey, and Egypt.

# IOM REGIONAL RESPONSE TO THE SYRIA CRISIS • 2016



# **Highlights**

• Syria: IOM distributed essential non-food items to over 21,000 beneficiaries in Aleppo and Lattakia governorates out of which about 90% had been suddenly displaced from eastern Aleppo. In addition, IOM's hub in Turkey shipped and distributed NFIs to over 41,000 individuals in Aleppo and Idleb governorates. • Lebanon: During the reporting period, IOM started supporting three primary health care centres in Bekaa, Nabatieh and the North. The centres provide subsidized medical services to Syrian refugees, Lebanese returnees from Syria and vulnerable Lebanese host community members. • Iraq: Since the beginning of the crisis, IOM has provided transportation to over 100,000 refugees (including for access to essential services), provided NFIs to over a quarter million beneficiaries, and livelihood support for over 5,000 beneficiaries.

Total individuals assisted

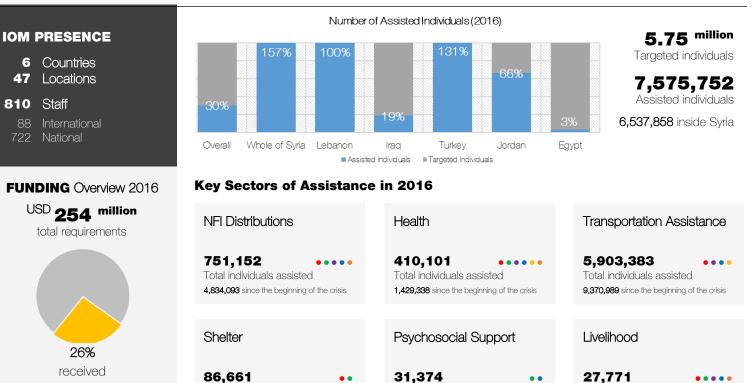
305,591 since the beginning of the crisis

### - Jordan: In

November, IOM trained 24 border guards on humanitarian border management (HBM). Topics covered included human rights legal framework and counter trafficking. • Turkey: During the reporting period, as part of IOM's objective in providing safe and protective living environments for refugees, IOM completed the rehabilitation of 70 shelter units which accommodates 362 individuals.

#### • Egypt: In November, IOM through its implementing partners provided medical health support to 450 Syrian refugees in in greater Cairo, as well as Mental Health and Psychosocial support to 36 Syrian children.

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Total individuals assisted

287,181 since the beginning of the crisis

# CONTACTS

USD 66.1 million

funding received

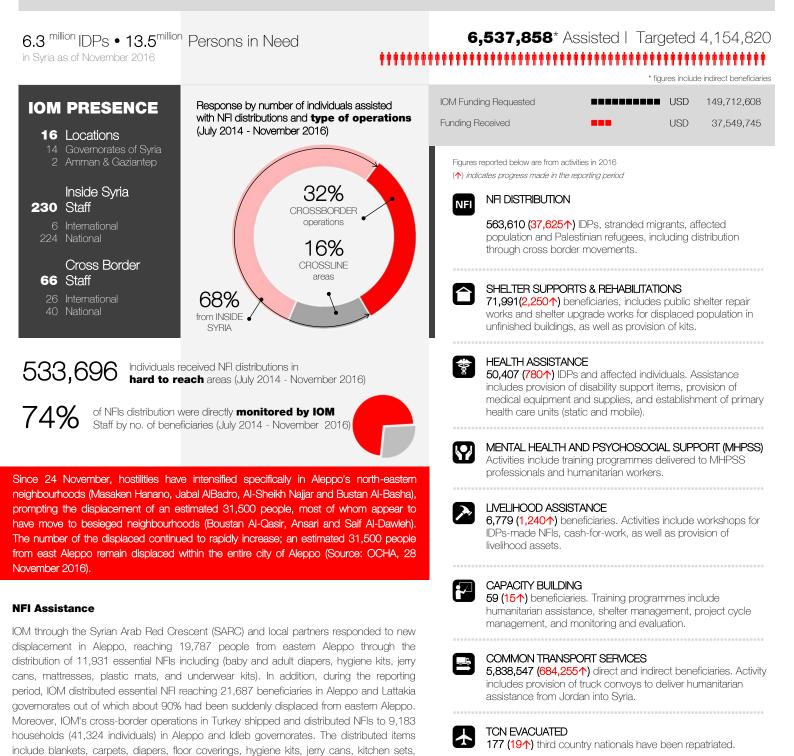
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# WHOLE OF SYRIA OPERATIONS

Whole of Syria operations includes all activities coordinated from inside Syria and cross border activities.





mattresses, plastic mats, plastic sheets, and solar lamps.

### Through Their Eyes

Zeina is a 58-year-old woman who lives with her husband, daughter, and son in Al-Hiesheh (south of Tartous). Zeina's family works in harvesting vegetables. They were affected directly by the armed conflict due to the inflated costs of farming inputs and transportation, which decreased their work feasibility and reduced their income to zero. Her family is now only able to produce enough food for their own use.

Zeina suffers from diabetes and cardiac problems that caused her several heart attacks. Her diabetic condition lead to the amputation of her leg, ending her farming days. Zeina needs to go for a diabetes test every day. "I need assistance to go anywhere my heavy weight makes it difficult for me to make the daily trips to the lab. I used to support my family in agriculture but I am unable to do it now. I feel helpless", she explains. On 26 November, IOM provided Zeina with a glucometer device and strips boxes. Now she no longer needs to go to the lab for testing, she can do it in the comfort of her home.



# LEBANON

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in Lebanon as of 30 September 2016
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| IOM Funding Requested |   | USD | 45,057,000 |
|-----------------------|---|-----|------------|
| Funding Received      | • | USD | 3,673,183  |

### Health Assistance in Lebanon

IOM started supporting three primary health care centres (PHCs), 1 each in Bekaa, Nabatieh and the North. The centres provide subsidized medical services to Syrian refugees, Lebanese returnees from Syria, and vulnerable Lebanese host community members. The main services provided include:

- Subsidized medical consultations and diagnostic tests:
- Free acute and chronic medications for Taalabaya centre;
- Community outreach and health education sessions in PHCs.

During the reporting period 2,098 beneficiaries received medical services.



### Through Their Eyes

Mohamad, a 27-year-old Syrian, fled his home in Al Hassakah upon the outbreak of the Syria Crisis in March 2011 seeking refuge in Beirut. As he had no economic resources, Mohamad was forced to find income through the informal/temporary labour market to provide for his family.

Visiting a friend in Nabatieh, Mohamad learned of IOM's Community Support Project (CSP) that aims to build the capacities of communities affected by the Syrian Crisis through the creation of job opportunities and the provision of basic services. He registered for the CSP at the municipality of Nabatieh, and was later contacted by IOM for assessment and enrolment. "I was very happy when I received the call, it has been a long while with no work and I had to pay my debts", he said. He is hoping that CSP will be extended so his living conditions will further improve allowing him to bring his family to live with him in Nabatieh.





# 361,851 Assisted | Targeted 360,440

**IOM PRESENCE** 

7 Locations

17 International

143 Staff

| Figures reported below are from activities in 2016 $(\uparrow)$ <i>indicates progress made in the reporting period</i> |   |  |  |  |  |
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|  | HEALTH ASSISTANCE<br>35,409 (2,098↑) beneficiaries<br>PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT<br>10,759 (1,176↑) beneficiaries |  |  |  |  |
|  | LVELIHOOD ASSISTANCE<br>1,804 (801) beneficiaries   |  |  |  |  |
| 4  | TCN EVACUATED<br>116 individuals  |  |  |  |  |
| 9  | PROTECTION<br>Transit Assistance<br>392 (13↑) beneficiaries   |  |  |  |  |
| NFI  | NFI DISTRIBUTION<br>6,234 beneficiaries   |  |  |  |  |
| Î  | SHELTER SUPPORTS &<br>REHABILITATIONS<br>14,670 beneficiaries   |  |  |  |  |
| 2  | SOCIAL STABILIZATION<br>4,022 beneficiaries   |  |  |  |  |

### **Psychosocial Support**

During November, IOM organized various psychosocial support activities (storytelling, recreational activities, and artistic mediation activities and support group sessions for 1,176 refugees of which 43% are women, 55% are children and youth and 2% are men. The psychosocial activities are organized at Dari Recreational and Counselling Centre in Baalback, Bekaa, and through outreach mobile teams in Bekaa and South of Lebanon.

# IRAQ

### 228,894 refugees

in Iraq as of 30 November 2016

| IOM Funding Requested |    | USD | 20,434,591 |
|-----------------------|----|-----|------------|
| Funding Received      | •• | USD | 4,200,000  |

### Health Assistance in Dohuk

IOM's emergency health team is providing Syrian refugees in camps with awareness sessions on health topics including general personal hygiene, as

well as signs and symptoms, modes of transmission, treatment and preventive measures of communicable diseases. Community leaders and focal points have been selected to transfer the key health messages to camp population. During the reporting period, IOM reached 187 beneficiaries (63 females and 124 males) in Akre camp, Dohuk.

### Vocational Training at Swedish Academic for Training (SAT)

Vocational training programme at SAT continued in November and will be completed by mid-December 2016. Courses include, Auto-mechanics, English language courses, and computer literacy. Graduation ceremony is planned for 20 December. Graduates will receive start-up tools and certificates from the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs (MoLSA). In addition, IOM's Business Development Services team held an information session at SAT to inform beneficiaries about training programmes offered by IOM. Beneficiaries interested in the trainings will be registered in the coming weeks.

# 60,080 Assisted | Targeted 313,553

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**IOM PRESENCE** 

7 Locations

91 Staff













# JORDAN

## 655,404 refugees

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in Jordan as of 4 December 2016
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| IOM Funding Requested | <br>USD | 7,518,000 |
|-----------------------|---------|-----------|
| Funding Received      | <br>USD | 2,300,000 |

### Training on Humanitarian Border Management (HBM) and **Counter-trafficking for Border Guards**

From 6 to 10 November, the final HBM training out of a series of four trainings was conducted. Twenty-four participants attended the training which covered

topics such as human rights international legal framework, and counter-trafficking in addition to HBM. One of the days of the training was delivered by three border guards who had received a previous Training of Trainers with IOM on HBM. In their training, they focused on the provision of humanitarian assistance to Syrian refugees and the need to respect and uphold humanitarian principles during interactions with Syrian refugees.



6 Locations

9 International

181 Staff

### **Round Table Discussion on Humanitarian Border Management (HBM)**

On 15 November, a round table discussion on HBM took place at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at the Dead Sea and funded by the Government of Japan. The objective of the round table discussion was to present the work of the UN and INGOs on the provision of humanitarian assistance; offer an overview of the various areas of work, including cross border and the response at the borders; and discuss related challenges and ways to overcome them. Participants within the discussion included: government officials, UN, and INGOs. In attendance of the round table discussion was: the Ambassador of Japan to Jordan, Mr Shuichi Sakurai; the UN Humanitarian Coordinator, Mr Edward Kallon; the Chief of Mission of IOM Jordan, Mr. Enrico Ponziani; and the Head of the International Relations and Organizations Department in the Jordanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates, Ms. Lina al-Hadid.



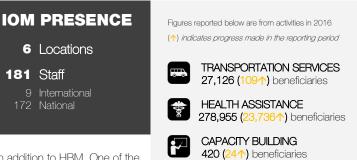
### **Through Their Eyes**

A 17-year-old woman who came to Jordan four years ago won the first award in her life when she participated in PLURAL+ Film Festival, an initiative of the UN Alliance of Civilisations and IOM. Walaa, who is originally from Dara'a in south Syria and took refuge in Jordan along with her family of 10 four years ago, needed to express what had happened to her and to tell her story. She participated in a training course on filmmaking for girls organised by the International Rescue Committee, which provided her with the tools to do exactly that and to tell her story through the short film 'The Girl whose Shadow Reflects the Moon'. Walaa believes that a combination of her hobbies helped her to produce a good video, through which she wanted to encourage women to speak about problems they face; to tell them that they should not stay silent when they face gender-based violence, and that certain messages are easier to express through art.



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## **306,501** Assisted | Targeted 464,454

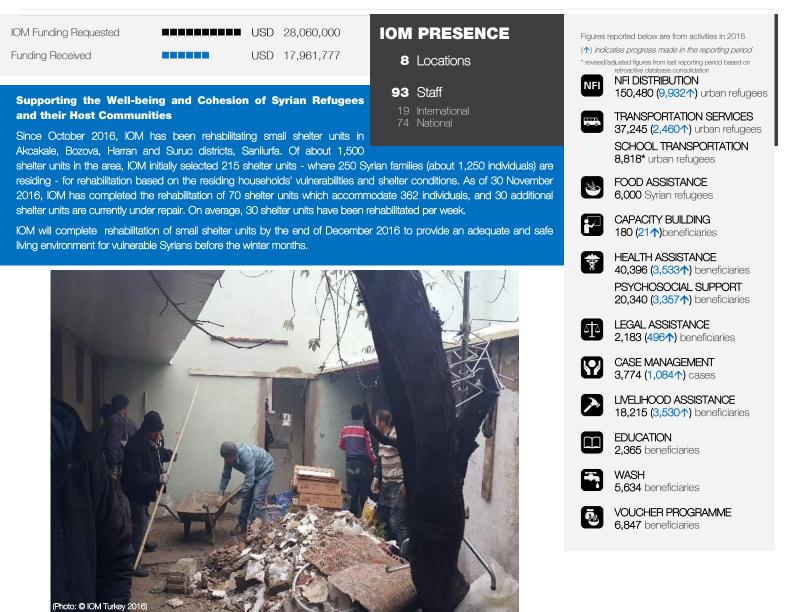


# TURKEY

### 2.75<sup>million</sup> refugees

in Turkey as of 03 November 2016

# **302,447** Assisted | Targeted 230,450



Through Their Eyes



Emal, 5, and Sibal, 7, are sisters living with their family in Gaziantep, Turkey. Emal was born with a cleft lip, a birth defect where there is a congenital split between the upper lip into the nose. "Before the surgery, she would be terrified of eating because it would usually end up coming out of her nose," recalls Fatma, her mother. While easily treatable through surgery, the family had no access or means to have the surgery carried out while living in Aleppo because of unavailability of medical facilities and volatile security.

Upon reaching Gaziantep, their family searched for a doctor to carry out the needed surgery. While medical care is offered to Syrian refugees within the country, the hospitals in the city were not able to accommodate Emal. They were referred to a hospital in Ankara instead. Unfortunately, they had no means of travelling to the Turkish capital. Eventually, their case was referred to IOM which arranged transportation for the entire family to Ankara where Emal underwent the procedure. Today, Emal's bright smile shows no visible signs of her former cleft lip.

While her younger sister is now fully recovered from her surgery, Sibal recently faced a challenge of her own - how to get to school. "She is old enough to be in school but it's too far away from our home and we have no way to get her there. We have no car or money for transportation," says Fatma. Following up on the family's case, IOM also began providing school transportation to the seven year old. "It's really amazing what they have done for my two girls," says the happy mother while she packs Sibal's pink backpack for school as the bus waits outside for her.



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# EGYPT

## 115,204 refugees

in Egypt as of 31 October 2016

| IOM Funding Requested |   | USD | 3,550,000 |
|-----------------------|---|-----|-----------|
| Funding Received      | • | USD | 400,000   |

### Health Assistance and Psychosocial Support

An NGO (Syria Al Gad) which is being supported by IOM to establish a health care clinic to serve refugees at Al Obour City one of the main asylum areas in greater Cairo. During the reporting period, the NGO

provided 374 individuals with health examination, free medicines and free laboratory services. In addition, recreational activities for 36 Syrian children were conducted to provide them with a safe space for them to play and promote their psychosocial well-being.

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1 Location

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# 7,015 Assisted | Targeted 230,040



Top Left: Syria Al Gad Laboratory. Bottom Left: Syria Al Gad medicines store. Bottom Right: One of Syria Al Gad's examination room. (Photos: © IOM Egypt 2016)



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