



RWG Monthly Meeting

August 2022



1. **Introduction and adoption of minutes:** Review of July meeting minutes and follow up on action points.
2. **Context Update:** DTM Update (ILA, Emergency Tracking Climate Induced) CCCM, and RWG field updates.
3. **National Protection Cluster:** Protection Monitoring System Round 6
4. **DSTWG Update :** DS Updates
4. **REACH REDS Factsheet:** Al Saadiya Sub-district (Diyala)

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KRI Field Updates

August 2022



Return numbers

- In July 2022, 12 families, 53 individuals returned to Sinjar center, Tal Qasab, Khana Sur and villages around Sinjar.
- Families return due to family reunification and seeking for job opportunities.

May 5 clashes update:

- Dahuk authorities reported that 1704 HH displaced from Sinuni and other parts of Sinjar to Dahuk. By 17 August authorities reported that 1148 HH had returned to their homes when the situation stabilized. 556 HH remain in Dahuk.
- DMCR is interviewing the 556 families to confirm, whether the families would like to stay in the camps or return to the area of origin.



- Since January 2021 and to Up to 17th of August 2022, DMCR has received 1108 requests from the families who want to re-admit to Dahuk.
- Out of 1108 families, 963 were interviewed, 839 families received approval to access to Dahuk and 265 were admitted to Dahuk camps.
- The families who are not approved yet are either in urban, guests within the camp, or still in Sinjar.
- More HH applied for return to Dahuk following the May incident.



- Most of the returnees are from Sinuni and Khana Sur for the following reasons:
 - The security situation was cited as the main reason to return as shown by the last events in Sinuni, the presence of different armed groups, and the instability in the region.
 - Lack of basic services within the cities of Sinjar and Sinuni
 - The lack of livelihood opportunities within the center of Sinjar and Sinuni.
 - Other reasons are related to family reunification and medical cases.



- Return from Erbil camps remains limited with 53 families, 284 individuals mainly from Hassansham U2 which was 33 families. While Erbil camps, namely Debaga and Baharka witnessed few returns.
- The families mainly returned to Ba'aj, Sinjar, Qaraj, Hamam Alil, East Mosul, and West of Mosul and 6 families to Erbil and Dohuk.
- Tracking return from urban areas remain a challenge since families who return don't inform authorities, nor MOMD.
- Some challenges faced by IDPs in the EMC include the lack of electricity, reduced food allocation



- Majority of the families relocate to areas other than returning to their areas of origin for the following reasons :
 - Families who are from disputed areas and are not able to return at the current time.
 - Families who have security clearance but are worried to return to their neighborhoods or districts fearing from tribal retaliation
 - Pursuing job opportunities, especially for the families in East Mosul camps who have no source of income or a chance to find job opportunities within the camps.
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- In July , 19 families returned from Sulaymaniyah camps.
- Families have returned mainly to Salaheddin and Diyala. And only two families were relocated Arbat town.
- None of the families who departed received the Sunni Endowment cash assistance.
- Lack of job opportunities, and decrease in humanitarian assistance considered key factors for families return
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Location	Households	Individuals	Return during July 2022
Arbat Camp	1	4	Salahaldeen governorate
Asthi Camp	14	65	2 families to Arbat town in Sulaimaniyah, 12 families to Slahaldeen
Qoratu camp	2	16	Diyala -Saadia
Tazade camp	2	5	Salahaldeen governorate



Ninewa and Kirkuk

August 2022



- Low returns in Aug 22 (other than returns from Dohuk from the previous month, returns from within Ninewa have been few)
- Stable political, security and social situations
- Improvements of basic services
 - Debris removal, especially Sinjar Hospital (government and partner support)
 - Reopening of Electricity directorate (government and partner support)
 - Pavements of internal roads (government)
- Support of partners is appreciated (small projects, agriculture, etc.)
- Local committee (local authorities, all security actors and community representatives of all ethnicities) visited Baghdad twice in Aug 2022 and met with top political and security bodies. The committee explained that there are no internal conflicts/ issues and requested tangible solutions on the ground. Government bodies promised to do internal consultations and come back with proposed solutions.



- In Aug 22, 25 HHs returned to Markaz Tel Afar from Baghdad, Najaf, Kerbala, Babylon, Erbil and Suly
- Neighborhoods of return include Al Qala'a, Al Wahda, Al Khadhraa, Al Jazeera, Al U'rooba, Al Noor1 and Al Noor2
- Triggers of return: civil servants/ ISF members moved their workplace to Tel Afar and returned as required

Returns from Turkey

- In Jul 22, 7 HHs returned from Turkey to Markaz Tel Afar



- **Complicated application process;** requires follow up with many government departments and costly
- **Ninewa Court of Appeals** was opened recently and started approving files, which eased the process
- Many **files** arrive to the audit department with **mistakes** (typos, wrong names, lack of stamps, etc.) which need to be corrected prior to receiving money
- In **Jul 22**, Ninewa was promised **137 B IQD** as compensation allocation
- MoF started transferring money already (batches), **distribution in Ninewa is ongoing**
- **Beneficiaries' selection** is decided by MoF (Baghdad)
- Notably, Ninewa Compensation Department received **106 B IQD last year**, hopefully Ninewa to continue receiving high amounts annually so that all registered beneficiaries be covered in the next few years.

Returns to Hawija



- In Jul and Aug 22, 21 HHs returned to Hawija district
- All movements back came from Markaz Kirkuk
- Destinations included
 - Markaz Hawija: 11 HHs
 - Al Hawa'ij Village- Abbasi: 8 HHs
 - Markaz Zab: 2 HHs
- Triggers of return: No major triggers, personal interests
- No post-return assistance from local authorities

Arrivals from Al Hol to J1



- Date: 12 Aug 22
- Round: 6
- Movement facilitation: NOC, NSS and MoMD
- Needs: Access to Health and documentation
- No of HHs: 155
- No of individuals: 623
- Breakdown per governorate
 - Anbar: 85 HHs
 - Ninewa: 33 HHs
 - SAD: 32 HHs
 - Baghdad: 4 HHs
 - Babylon: 1 HH
- On 18 Aug 22, 24 HHs (101 ind.) departed J1 to Anbar, SAD and Ninewa



- In 13 & 14 Aug 22, UNDP facilitated Kirkuk religious leaders conference in Erbil
- Representation included central and local authorities as well as religious representatives of all ethnicities of Kirkuk
- Conference objectives included
 - Reinforcing community cohesion
 - Facilitating return movements
 - countering violent extremism
 - Enhancing the religious leaders' role in achieving social peace
- Some recommendations are
 - Facilitating the return of all displaced communities
 - Supporting all social peace efforts/ initiatives
 - Reinforcing social relations among different ethnicities
 - Development of government plans and strategies to facilitate returns and support affected communities