

DSTF Meeting #25

7 August 2024

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Agenda

1. Welcome, tour de table and agenda (*DSTF Co-chairs*)
2. Opening Remarks (*Resident Coordinator*)
3. June Meeting Action Points (*DSTF Co-chairs*)

Updates on Return from camps/Challenges

4. General over-view and updates

DSTF Advocacy Positions in Preparation for the High Committee

5. Current positions and preparations for High Committee meeting

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Opening remarks by the RC

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June Meeting Action Points

1. RCO to share the complied recommendation once MoMD provides feedback with the KRG and with the DSTF to enable the DSTF to see how it can contribute and reinforce the Roadmap.
2. Secretariate to share the DSTF advocacy messages with the formulation of advocacy points on improved coordination between the JCF and the Supreme Committee and budgetary allocation for local authorities from national government.

UPDATE ON RETURNS FROM CAMPS/CHALLENGES

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Protection Monitoring Update: Post- Departure from **Ashti Camp** (Sulaymaniyah)

Ashti Camp Departures

- **IOM interviewed 148** HHs and is planning to interview another 139 HHs by the end of August
- **92%** of interviewed HHs returned to their AoO, 2 experienced secondary displacement
- 8 HHs were **in transit** when contacted among which 6 returned to their AoO



Access to basic services and legal documentation

Basic services

Shelter: 34% were living in their own home, 27% hosted by relatives, 14% in a rental home, 19% reported they were living in a tent or in an informal site

- 75% of respondents said their most immediate need was shelter

Food and water: 41% HHs face difficulties to food, 49% lacked access to drinking water

Electricity: 38% lacked access to electricity

Education: 33% said they had no access to education

Medical services: 69% reported not having access to healthcare services

Legal services and legal documentation

- 35% said they do not have access to legal services
- 11% had at least one household member missing ALL core civil documents
- 18% reported that at least one household member was missing SOME core civil documents

Access to income-generating activities and return grants



Income-generating activities

- 72% of HHs identified livelihoods as their most immediate need
- **Sources of Income:** Daily labour (51%), pension (16%), support from family members (11%)
- One reported case of child labour

Return grants

- 4 HHs did not receive MoMD grants

Safety, security and freedom of movement

Challenges during the return journey

- 22 HHs reported facing difficulties during their trip, including harassment at checkpoints, long inspections, and refused entry to their areas of return

Safety concerns at current location

- 12 HHs reported not feeling safe in their current location
- 5 HHs reported a variety of safety concerns
- 2 HHs said they could not move inside their current area due to discrimination and presence of armed forces
- 7 HHs reported that they could not move outside of their current area

Advocacy points

- **MoMD should ensure that all returns from IDP camps are voluntary, safe and dignified. This requires coordinated efforts among various local authorities including security actors to facilitate the smooth and secure return of families to their areas of return.**
- **Access to health, education, water, and electricity should be facilitated by the Government of Iraq for all returnees, regardless of their area of return.**
- **Efforts to issue civil documentation for IDPs should be strengthened to ensure access to services and freedom of movement after departure are preserved without discrimination or stigmatization.**



Reintegration Monitoring

Hasansham U2 camp

August 2024



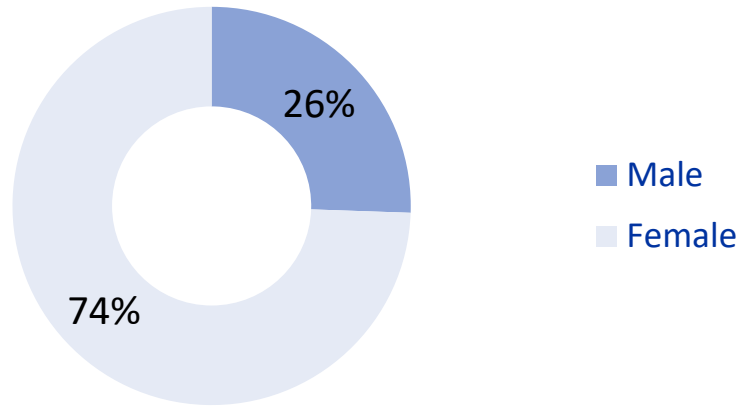
Objective

In line with theory and practice on monitoring progress towards durable solutions, IOM conducts surveys with IOM-assisted returnees/relocated households targeted by the FVM programme.

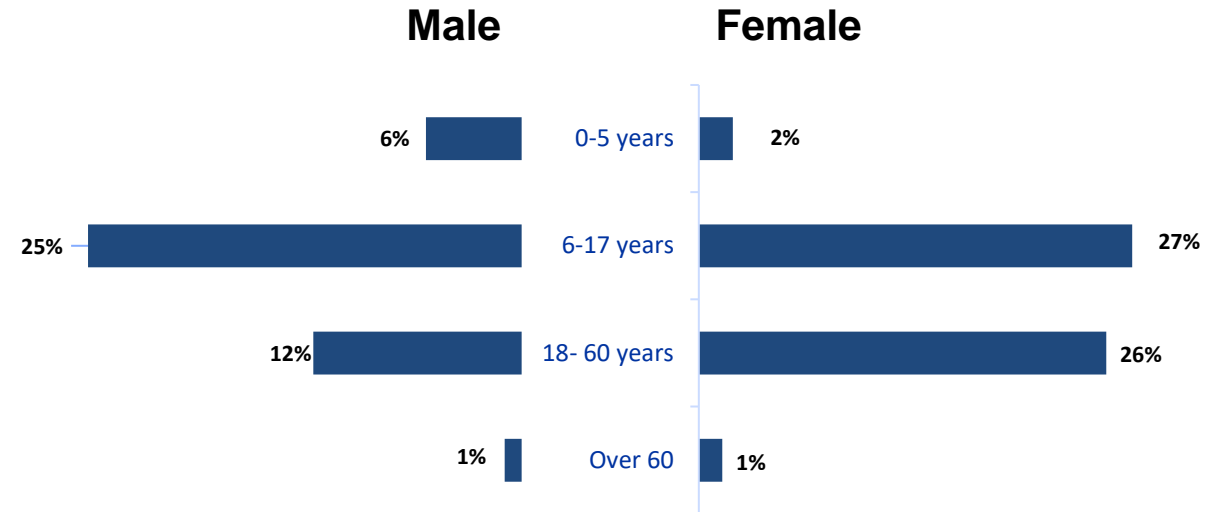
- The overall objective of the reintegration monitoring is to monitor the durability of the return, whether there are persistent challenges and, if necessary, any interventions that may be required to be reprioritised and redirected considering findings.
- In March 2024, 243 households departed Hasansham U2 camp.
- Between June 25th and July 22nd IOM conducted 137 baseline/midline in-person interviews with households departed Hasansham U2 camp in March 2024.

Demographics

Gender of head of household



Individual pyramid



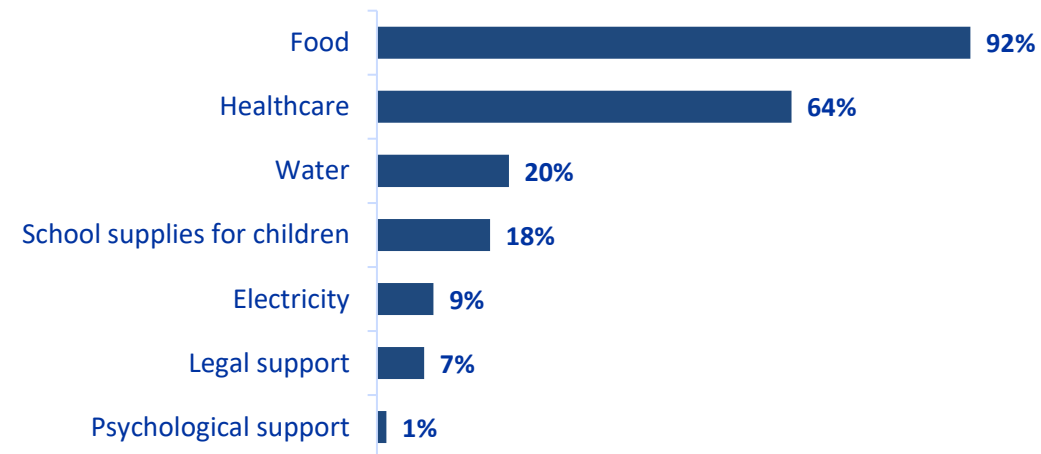
- Out of the 137 households interviewed, the majority were female headed households.
- Out of the 612 household members (268 male and 344 female), 60% were under the age of 18.
- 44% of households reported having at least one female member of their household is widowed/divorced/separated

PERCEPTIONS ON SAFETY AND SECURITY

- All households reported they and their household members feel safe moving alone during the day in their AoR.
- All households reportedly agree or strongly agree that their household members feel safe in the neighbourhood where they currently reside.

HOUSEHOLD NEEDS

Households' Outstanding Needs - Multiple Options



- The most reported outstanding needs by households were food, healthcare, water and school supplies for children.
- 93% of households reported having access to government food distribution (PDS). 28% reported food assistance by organizations.

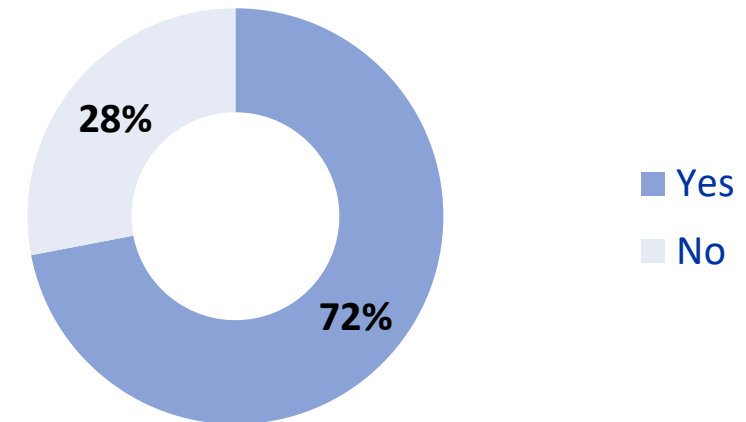
ACCESS TO ASSISTANCE



IOM Assistance Received - multiple options



Households reporting on receiving MOMD return/relocation grant (4 million IQD)



Out of the 28% (39 households) that did not receive MOMD grants, the most reported reasons were:

- Household is on the waiting list (21)
- Documentation/grant procedure (8)
- Tabri'aa (6)

Update on return to Salah al-din

1. More than 1,500 HHs returned so far
2. A local-based response plan is developed
3. Ongoing efforts by several directorates to meet the critical needs
4. Discussion with the DoC / DoLSA / DoPDS

DSTF ADVOCACY POSITIONS IN PREPARATION FOR HIGH COMMITTEE MEETING



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