

DS Updates

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DSTWG meeting – 13 November 2024

- During the last DSTWG meeting, a emphasis was put on the need to reignite advocacy efforts for DS for IDPs, especially those in camps (winter/challenges). The advocacy efforts should target specifically the Government and the High Committee
- The need to prioritize the needs of the IDPs, in a context of reduced funding, was also addressed.
 - A brainstorming session should be organized in December to refine the process of identifying and prioritizing needs for the 1 million remaining IDPs (in and out of camps)



DSTF meeting – 21 November 2024

- During the last DSTF meeting, we noticed the same emphasis for the need to reignite advocacy efforts: more specifically the importance of identifying decision-makers, influencers and key political figures to direct advocacy efforts effectively.
- The SG Special Advisor on Solutions to Internal Displacement's two-year mandate concludes in December 2024. Despite the challenges in Iraq, the DS Roadmap was developed, and the Special Advisor's team is preparing a handbook and case studies documenting global displacement experiences.
- The discrepancies between DTM data and GoI figures on IDPs was also noted once again, particularly those in informal settlements, with a need to establish clear criteria for displacement status (some IDPs might have achieved DS outside traditional frameworks). DTM's household-level assessments using IASC criteria provided valuable insights, but agreement on the importance of categorizing informal settlements based on urgency and severity of conditions.

Selection of DSTWG Co-chair following withdrawal of NRC

Bring Hope Humanitarian Foundation selected via a process led by DRC

Summary of Bring Hope Foundation

- Operating in Iraq since 2014
- Portfolio includes humanitarian-protection, resilience, livelihoods, peacebuilding and climate change programs.

Endorsed by both the DSTWG and DSTF

Sinjar ABC:

- October ABC meeting agreed on formalizing co-focal point position of the Ninewa Governorate and appointing a back up focal point among the local NGOs.
- The ABC's ToR was presented and endorsed by both DSTWG and DSTF.