

Returns Working Group

January 2025



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Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of December Meeting Minutes and Action Points
3. Context Update | DTM---Progress Toward Durable Solutions in Iraq----RWG Field Update
4. EDMCR | Situation in the Erbil Camps
5. IOM | FVM Update
6. RWG 2024 Review Survey Findings
7. AOB

Centre South Update

January 2025

Return Updates- Salah al-Din

Type of return	Total (Household)	Area of Displacement	Area of Return	Date
Spontaneous	5	Sulaymaniya	Rifaeiya	Dec 24-Jan 25
MoMD	9	Al-Amal Cnter	Tikrit	Dec 24-Jan 25
MoMD	8	Al-Amal Cnter	Al-Shirqat	Dec 24-Jan 25
MoMD	6	Al-Amal Cnter	Balad	Dec 24-Jan 25
MoMD	7	Al-Amal Cnter	Samarra	Dec 24-Jan 25
Total	35			

Needs:

- 1- Return grant from MoMD.
- 2- Houses rehabilitation.
- 3- Livelihood projects.
- 4- Legal support and child protection.

Return Updates - Anbar

Type of return (MoMD, FVM, individual)	Total (Household)	Area of Displacement	Area of Return	Date (Month)
MoMD	2	Al-Amal Cnter	Rawa	Dec 24
MoMD	9	Al-Amal Cnter	Haditha	Dec 24
MoMD	4	Al-Amal Cnter	Ana	Dec 24
MoMD	127	Al-Amal Cnter	Qaim	Nov-Dec 24
Spontaneous	9	Erbil, Baghdad, Ramadi, Falluja, Haditha	Qaim	Dec 24
Spontaneous	10	KRI	Ramadi	Dec 24 - Jan 2025
Total	161			

Needs:

- 1- Return grant from MoMD.
- 2- Houses rehabilitation.
- 3- Livelihood projects.
- 4- Legal support and child protection.

Return Updates – Diyala

Type of return (MoMD, FVM, individual)	Total (Household)	Area of Displacement	Area of Return	Date (Month)
Spontaneous	410	Different locations	Muqdadiyah, Odhaim and Baquba	Oct 2024-Jan 2025

Needs:

- 1- return grant from MoMD.
- 2- Houses rehabilitation.
- 3- Livelihood projects.

Re-opening of Al-Khilaniyah village in Muqdadiyah District:

- Announced re-opened in September 2024
- Until mid January 2025, out of 470 families announced as registered for return –Khilaniyah, almost 135 families have returned.
- Local government implemented some projects (water and electricity)
- MoMD provided ‘white’ goods

Key needs:

- Houses rehabilitation/reconstruction, return grant, livelihoods
- One school in the village to be rehabilitated and equipped, health unit to be improved
- Local Government requested support from UN agencies and NGOs
- Other nine locations are blocked in Muqdadiyah to be addressed in advocacy.

MoMD Displacement Figures (23 January 2025)

Governorate	# of families
Dohuk	85,698
Erbil	71,962
Anbar	62,390
Baghdad	28,901
Kirkuk	36,696
Salah Al-Din	18,383
Diyala	11,274
Babel	3,309
Karbalaa	2
Ninawa	2,302
Najaf	3
Basra	1,528
Sulaymaniyah	29,767
Qadisiyah	713
Wasit	56
Thiqar	569
Total	353,478

MOMD Return and Local Integration Registration (23 January 2025)

Governorate	Returning families	Location integration	Total
Anbar	210,309	0	210,309
Basrah	0	502	502
Qadisiyah	0	166	166
Muthana	0	62	62
Najaf	0	923	923
Babil	337	102	439
Baghdad	17,477	630	18,107
Diyala	45,312	1,720	47,978
Dhi-qar	0	188	188
SAD	95,148	0	95,148
Karbala	0	1,803	1,803
Kirkuk	27,978	0	27,978
Missan	0	112	112
Ninawa	186,637	0	186,637
Wasit	0	188	188
Total	583,198	6,393	589,594

Ninewa Update

Ninewa Update RWG Meeting January 2025

Overall return figures in Ninewa?

- Overall returns
- MOMD SUPPORT

Areas of no return

- **Qayara**
 - Najmih village
 - Jdalah Suflaa village
- Al-Qahtaniya
 - Merza village
- **Tel Afar (Ayadiyah)**
 - Harouna,
 - Sajieah,
 - Qabak

Compensation Update

- Sinjar
- Prime Minister's Committee

Humanitarian Assistance in Sinjar:

The MoMD branch office in Sinjar has distributed assistance to returnee families, including:

- 2000 food basket .
- 2000 health basket.

The distributions were conducted in center Sinjar, Baij, and Qahtaniya.

Areas of no Return (Qayyarah)



Najma Village

- Housing instability due to conflict damage
- Restricted agricultural access, livelihood barriers
- Inadequate services: water, electricity, education, healthcare



Jadala Suflaa

- Lack of educational resources, water supply, and healthcare facilities
- Housing reconstruction stalled due to insufficient compensation
- Farmers burdened by high land rental fees
- Infrastructure needs, such as debris removal, remain unmet
- Legal documentation issues hinder school enrollment and access to services

Areas of no Return (Qahtaniya and Tel Afar)



Merza village, Qahtaniya

- Families returned to Ba'aj but living in Tel Azer and in Sinuni
- Housing destruction, all relocated submitted claims but no compensation
- No access to livelihoods, agriculture
- No access to basic services, water, electricity, schools



Haruna, Sajieah and Qabak villages, Tel Afar

- UXOs in Haruna and Sajieah
- UXOs affecting access to agricultural lands and livelihoods
- Inadequate access to basic services

Ninewa Compensation Committee

Update

- Compensation processing stopped on 18 December 2024 for annual inventory
 - By 18 December, Ninewa Compensation Committee had settled claims to **13,000 individuals in Ninewa**
- No allocations for 2025 have been determined by the Minister of Finance.

Prime Minister Instructions

- Inventory of Sinjar District focus on completed, pending, disbursed and undisbursed funds.
- Sinjar Compensation Office will conduct the inventory.

Partners projects in Sinjar & Baij

- 217 projects have been listed by 35 UN agencies and organizations to address various needs
- Among the 217 projects , 30 livelihood projects are being implemented by 11 organizations and UN agencies.

National Team Established to Support Sinjar Reconstruction and IDP Return

- High Committee's recommendations approved by the Prime Minister's Office in August
- Administrative Order No. (24529) issued on November 28
- National team established, led by the Deputy National Security Advisor

Objective:

- Develop a plan for supporting displaced persons' return and reconstructing return areas in collaboration with the UN

Key actions:

- Assess security, political, and developmental needs
- Integrate findings into a joint report for submission within 90 days
- Appoint coordinator to secure funding for Sinjar
- Request financial statements for Sinjar's 2025 budget
- Conduct a survey



KRI

January 2025

Dohuk – IDPs population

	Families	Individuals
Total IDPs in camps	20,351	98,615
Total IDPs outside the camps	36,974	182,915
Total Number	57,325	281,530

Dohuk – IDPs return

Return To Ninewa

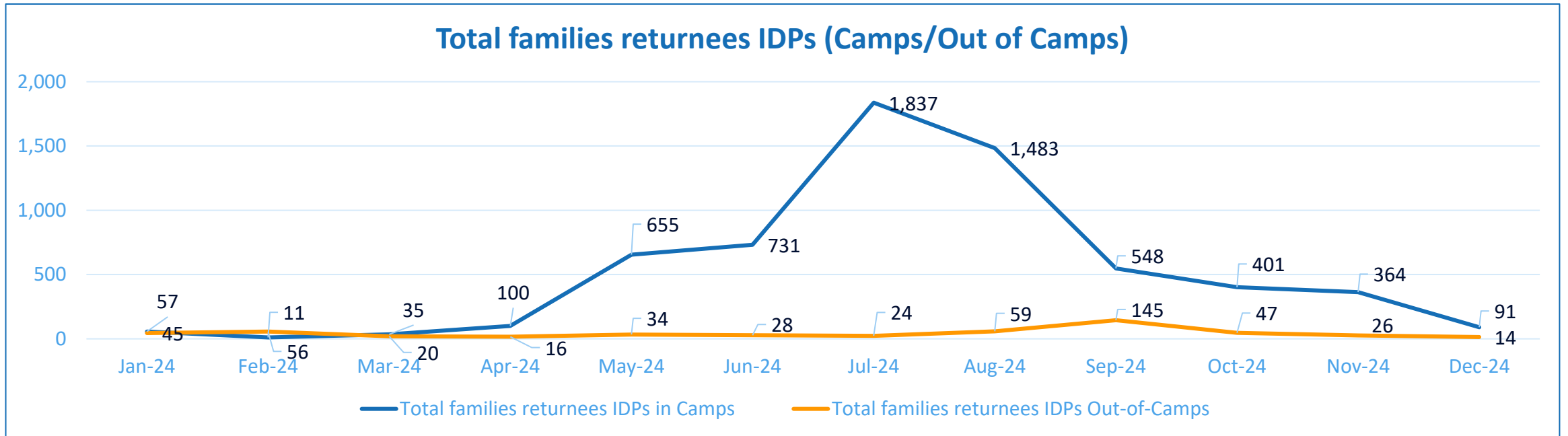
	In Camps		Outside Camps	
	Families	Individuals	Families	Individuals
December	91	390	24	148
Total Returnees	91	390	24	148
Note: The total number of returnees in 2024 is 6038 families, 28,705 ind				

Needs:

The majority of IDPs returned to Sinjar and Ba'aj

- Infrastructure rehabilitation
- Shelter rehabilitation
- Livelihoods

Return Trends



	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24
Total families returnees IDPs in Camps	57	11	35	100	655	731	1,837	1,483	548	401	364	91
Total families returnees IDPs Out-of-Camps	45	56	20	16	34	28	24	59	145	47	26	14

Erbil – IDPs Population and return, relocation

Name of Camp	Camp Population (HH)	Number of Return	Area of Return
Bahrka	177	0	
Dibaga	877	21	Ninewa
Harsham	2	1	Erbil
Hassan Sham U2	112	1	Ninewa
Hassan Sham U3	638	5	Ninewa
Khazir	304	1	Ninewa



Kirkuk

January 2025

Kirkuk Governorate



- 8 households from Kirkuk center return to the Hawija district.
- 7 households from Kirkuk center return to the Debis district.
- The Housing and Property Compensation Committee is actively working on completing the necessary procedures and the Compensation amounts have been delivered to 125 families during the past two months.

THANK YOU
Questions?