IRAQ SITUATION FLASH UPDATE

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POPULATION MOVEMENTS

- Mosul: 5,666 families (33,996 individuals) are currently displaced from Mosul district since military operations to retake Mosul city began on 17 October 2016, according to IOM DTM emergency tracking. The current figures show a 53 per cent increase in displacement over the last 48 hours.
- Hawiga: 1,025 individuals arrived at UNHCR Debaga camp from Hawiga and Qaraj districts, while 95 individuals from Hawiga arrived in Daquq camp. All new arrivals received core relief items such as mattresses, blankets, jerry cans and hygiene kits, and were sheltered in tents.

UNHCR RESPONSE UPDATE

- UNHCR protection monitoring has reached more than 2,000 recently-displaced families: Findings show 21 per cent of families are headed by a female and 63 per cent of families are missing civil documentation. More than 50 unaccompanied or separated children were identified for appropriate assistance, and 443 vulnerable families were referred for cash assistance.
- Displaced families find shelter and assistance at UNHCR Hasansham camp: Close to 300 families (1,758 individuals) displaced from areas around Mosul, including Gogjali, Hay al-Samah and Al Quds areas, arrived to the newly opened camp on 5 November. Early reports indicate that more than 250 families arrived at the camp today, bringing the total population to more than 5,000 people. All newly-arrived families are sheltered and provided with food and core relief items, including blankets and mattresses. A mobile medical clinic is also operational in the camp.
- Arrivals to Zelikan camp have decreased in recent days, with four families (21 individuals) arriving yesterday following two days of no new arrivals. Many civilians are reportedly trapped in the village of Bashiqa, Hamdaniya district, where fighting is ongoing. UNHCR continues to receive reports of family separation from IDPs in Zelikan. To date, 12 families separated from their male relatives who had been taken for further investigation have been identified. Three family members have returned to Zelikan but others have not yet been located. UNHCR and partner Harikar are facilitating appropriate social and legal follow-up.

SITUATION UPDATE

- The UN is deeply concerned by the plight of civilians in conflict areas. The impact of the Mosul offensives on the southern part of the Mosul corridor is evident following two suicide attacks today in Tikrit and Samarra, which killed more than 20 people and injured dozens of others. On 4 November, 18 displaced people from Hawiga in Kirkuk Governorate were reportedly killed when roadside bombs destroyed the truck they were being transported in by Iraqi Security Forces.

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UNHCR’s appeal of USD 584 million for IDPs and Iraqi refugees in the region is 43% funded. Of this, UNHCR requires USD 196.2 million for the Mosul emergency response, with these needs 48% funded.