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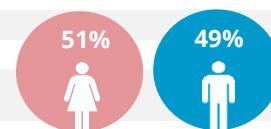
WFP Turkey

Livelihoods Situational Report
June 2021

Highlights

- **45 Kitchen of Hope/Mutfakta Umut Var (MUV) Cohort 1 and 44 MUV Cohort 2 participants started working** as chef assistants.
- **39 EMPACT graduates** started formal employment or set up their own businesses, yielding **35 per cent employability** rate.
- The call for applications for the **Socioeconomic Empowerment and Sustainability (SES)** programme started in 13 provinces across Turkey.

PROJECT	NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS	AVERAGE HH SIZE	NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES
MUV	198	4.8	≈ 950
EMPACT	73	3.8	≈ 277
URBAN	20	4	≈ 80
AGRICULTURE			
TOTAL	291	N/A	1307



598 participants certified through vocational training (VT) under cohorts 1, 2 and 3



207 participants completed on-the-job training (OJT) under cohorts 1, 2 and 3



89 participants have reached long-term employment under cohorts 1, 2 and 3

Kitchen of Hope (MUV)



"The Kitchen of Hope project aims to equip Syrian refugees under Temporary Protection and Turkish citizens with culinary skills through vocational and on-the-job training. MUV is being implemented in nine provinces across Turkey."

MUV Cohort 1

- **45 graduates** out of 173 certified have been **employed** in seven provinces (Adana, Ankara, Istanbul, Izmir, Kilis, Mardin and Şanlıurfa), yielding an **employability rate of 26 per cent**.
- **1 participant** from Istanbul continued on-the-job training (OJT) and two others in Istanbul (1) and Izmir (1) started OJT in June.

MUV Cohort 2

- **96 participants** completed the vocational training (VT) and OJT modules and graduated.
- 19 participants continued **OJT**.
- **Seven participants** will resume OJT together with Cohort 3 participants in June.
- **44 out of 96 Cohort 2 graduates started working** at their OJT locations. **The employability rate** for Cohort 2 **stands at 24 per cent**.

MUV Cohort 3

- **245 participants completed VT** in nine provinces (Adana, Ankara, Istanbul, Izmir, Kilis, Mardin, Mersin, Hatay and Şanlıurfa).
- **156 participants** continued **OJT** in June.

Monitoring

- Regular on-site monitoring visits have been conducted at OJT locations.
- MUV Endline Surveys for Cohort 3 started.

MUV Scale-Up

- The call for applications has been initiated in Bursa, Gaziantep, Kahramanmaraş, Kocaeli as well as Sivas and will continue until 11 July.
- Interviews started in Konya and Kayseri on 16 June. The process to select 50 participants for each province is ongoing
- The VT is expected to start on 26 July and will be followed by provincial kick-off meetings with key stakeholders, local government authorities, selected participants and private sector companies.

Soup Kitchen

"The Soup Kitchen project is a COVID-19 emergency response project implemented in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ) to support the Municipal Soup Kitchens with kitchen equipment and food supply to cook and deliver hot meals to Syrian refugees and vulnerable Turkish nationals."

- WFP Soup Kitchen assistance started in July 2020 with eight Municipalities and continues with only Istanbul Sultangazi Municipality, distributing **2,200 hot meals** per day to vulnerable refugees and Turkish nationals.

EMPACT: Empowerment in Action

"EMPACT aims to equip both Syrian refugees and Turkish citizens aged between 18 and 35 with digital skills through vocational and technical training. The project's first pilot was implemented in the province of Istanbul between September 2020 and January 2021."

- **112 out of 127 participants graduated** (45 per cent female, 55 per cent male) completed web development (67) and digital call center (45) trainings.
- **39 graduates** started formal employment or set up their own businesses, taking the **employability** rate to 35 per cent
- **33 participants** continued OJT and **38 participants** recently started OJT.
- The second EMPACT pilot will start in the southeast at the earliest convenience.

SES: Socioeconomic Empowerment and Sustainability

"The SES programme aims to provide Syrians under Temporary Protection and Turkish with sustainable livelihood opportunities through vocational and on-the-job training. The programme includes store attendant, food packaging, housekeeping, chef assistant and IT trainings."

- The call for applications was initiated on 7 June.
- Several private sector partnerships were established to support vocational training curriculum enrichment, Training of Trainers (ToT) and OJT.

NETWORK FRESH (Aş Ortağım)

"This project seeks to generate a multi-impact outcome to reduce food waste, increase access to high-quality nutritious food for vulnerable households and improve living conditions of vulnerable populations."

- WFP's technical partner SODEXO provided "Occupational Health and Safety Training" to Şişli Food Bank staff (Istanbul) on 16 June.
- The project is expected to start in July.

URBAN AGRICULTURE

"This project aims to provide Syrian refugees and Turkish nationals with vocational and on-the-job training to plant and market a special type of okra in 25,000 square meters of land"

- VT was conducted between 31 May -11 June with **20 female participants** covering many topics such as Composting and Natural Fertilizers, Ecological Agriculture, Establishing Cooperatives, Soil Knowledge and Plant Nutrition, Seed Biology and Vegetable Planting.
- Practical training started on 14 June and will continue until the end of September.
- METRO Grossmarket agreed to sell the harvested products in their markets.

July Outlook

- Interviews and ToTs to be conducted for SES and MUV in new locations. The VT will start by the end of July.
- The project testing for Network Fresh project will continue.

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