UNRWA Introduces a Targeted Approach to Food Assistance

As part of its humanitarian response for Palestine refugees in Syria, UNRWA launched its first round of targeted food assistance in March 2019. The new targeted approach aims to prioritize the most vulnerable categories of Palestine refugees. As of end of April, more than 118,265 out of a caseload of 126,000 Palestine refugees belonging to the most vulnerable categories, had received their food assistance. The Agency also plans to use a two-tier approach for the distribution of cash assistance in March 2019. The new targeted approach aims to prioritize the most vulnerable categories of Palestine refugees.

UNRWA provided Palestine refugees with 5,294 items of WASH assistance including 4,632 baby diapers and 633 adult diapers. UNRWA also ensured timely garbage collection in all camps.

In Yalda, 1,190 children displaced from Yarmouk benefited from protection activities. The activities are being specially designed to meet psychosocial needs.

UNRWA conducted a campaign about universal health coverage to commemorate the World Health Day on 7 April 2019. UNRWA also participated in the national immunization days in cooperation with the Ministry of Health during the period 21-30 April 2019. On this occasion, UNRWA followed up on defaulters among children according to their routine immunization schedule. A total of 66,413 health consultations were provided to Palestine refugee patients in Syria.