

# WINTER SITUATION REPORT

IRAQ | 2019 - 2020 PROGRESS REPORT



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## Overview

Based on the HRP 2019, winter needs amount at 10.5 MUSD to cover around 60,000 HH in 38 prioritized districts. Based on recent MCNA data, 25,000 IDP HHs<sup>1</sup> are missing winter items, with highest needs reported in the following districts: Mosul, Kirkuk, Zakho, Sulaymaniyah and Sumail.

### Camps

Many camps have been served with winter items for almost 6 years. As such, distribution for 2019/2020 season shall be strictly based on replenishment needs only. Following the recent camp consolidation process especially in Ninewa, some people who relocated from one site to another may need new items, although most people should have been able to move with all their belongings.

Several camps have benefitted from flood risk mitigation programs, except for the Jad'ah camps where works may be undertaken by MoMD.

As of mid-October 2019, 16,200 MoMD and 6,000 AFAD tents have passed their lifespan. All remaining AFAD tents will be replaced starting in November 2019 while MoMD has started replacing tents in Erbil (Khazer M1), Ninewa (Jad'ah), Salah al-Din (Al-Karama) and Anbar (AAF and BzBz). Through the reserve allocation, in July 2019, IOM procured 23,150 tents to replace tents in Qayyarah Airstrip and Jad'ah camps. Qayyarah Airstrip has since been closed, and tents are no longer needed for as many households. Of the total, 2,200 tents have been installed to date in Jad'ah 5. On Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> MoMD Ninewa announced that they have resources to continue tent installations in Jad'ah, after which further needs may be met by IOM.

### Out of camp IDPs

Almost 24,000 HHs residing out of camp needed winter support according to the August 2019 MCNA report, however, recent movements from camps have resulted in increases in IDPs out of camp in critical shelter, with partners currently planning coverage for more than 27,000 families. IDPs residing out of camp should be targeted using the Cash Working Group Socio-Economic Vulnerability Assessment Tool (SEVAT). Cash or voucher-based winter programming is encouraged, especially in areas where other partners are partially covering needs through a similar modality so as not to cause tensions among people assisted with different means.

27,000 HHs, according to MCNA VII still live in critical shelter (informal settlements, unfinished and/or abandoned buildings, substandard residential houses) and in need of winter support to prepare for the climatic conditions. According to the latest ILA data, the majority reside in Sumel (5,029), Tirkit (1,981), Balad (7,239), Sinjar (6,901), Tikrit (2,629), Kifri (3,769), Baquba (2,782), Khanaqin (1,825), Tooz Khurmato (1,649) Samarra (1,654), Falluja (1,386), Zakho (1,058) and Shikhan (901) districts. SNFI Partners are planning to cover 5,600 of those HHs in the upcoming months with shelter support.

### Returnees

Under the HRP 2019, shelter support has been prioritized above winter support. This decision accounted for the plans of MoMD to scale up reconstruction and rehabilitation in areas of return, disbursement of return grants, payment of compensations claims and resumption of all social services through PDS<sup>2</sup>. While more than 27,000 returnee families need winter items, humanitarian support continues to focus on durable solutions and shelter rehabilitation that has a longer-term effect on their wellbeing and living standards. However, some partners plan

<sup>1</sup> 23,800 HHs out of camps and 1,200 HHs in camp settings, based on the declared needs for winter heaters, through MCNA VII

<sup>2</sup> This scale up of Government' support is meant to address broad barriers to return

to target returnees residing in critical shelter who are particularly vulnerable and exposed to severe weather conditions.

### Government support

As in previous years, humanitarian Partners will count on the commitment of Ministry of Oil and MOMD to provide heating fuel (kerosene) in time to meet winter needs. Failing in this crucial area may push families into negative coping mechanisms (such as burning trash, as witnessed in previous years).

The SNFI Cluster will continue to advocate with the Government of Iraq to ensure that kerosene needs for vulnerable populations are met, as well as the provision of winter clothing and the replacement of those tents that are not providing anymore sufficient protection from climatic conditions.

## Partners' support

### Partner have confirmed plans to assist 81,700 IDP families during winter 2019/2020 to cover 87% of all IDPs in camps and 100% of the IDPs residing out of camp who have expressed winter needs in the 2019 MCNA

- Several partners have secured funds and have plans in place to cover 81,700 IDP families (including 52,400 HHs in camps and 29,300 out of camps): **CRS, IOM, IRW, Mission East, and UNHCR**. 95% of the support will be delivered through cash or voucher modality, allowing people in need to address their winter needs in the most efficient way.
- **UNICEF** will be able to cover 50,500 children with winter clothing, of which 82% in camps in Anbar, Dohuk, Ninewa and Salah Al Din and 18% in out of camp settings in Sinjar district.
- Several other partners are still finalising their winter plans, in coordination with the Shelter & NFI Cluster and will share detailed data following ongoing needs assessments.

## Outstanding needs

### Gaps in Camps

Gaps remain in Jad'ah 1, 2, 4 & 5 (Mosul), AAF and HTC (Falluja) for which there is no partner identified. However, less than 3% and 8% respectively of the total camp population in Mosul and Falluja districts reported winter needs, according to the latest MCNA.

Smaller camps in Baghdad (Al-Nabi Younis, Zayona), Diyala (Muskar Saad) and Kerbala (Al-Kawthar) also have no confirmed commitment from Partners to receive support.

Given recent camp consolidation and closure of camps in Ninewa, the out of camp IDP and returnee population in critical shelter should be understood to be larger than identified when the latest MCNA VII (August 2019) and ILA IV (June 2019) data was collected. As such, partners are encouraged to adapt their planning to the ground conditions and should use vulnerability targeting when assessing populations for winter assistance.

### MOMD tent replacement

MoMD tents in need of replacement numbers, as per below table, are what Camp Management considered for critical replacement and was identified based on limited capacity from MoMD to provide the support. However, blanket replacement of all camps listed below is recommended, as all of them have been through at least 2 winters. As such, need for replacement is evaluated as critical, considering the harsh weather conditions during summer, winter and sand storms. Camps with most urgent needs are in Dohuk, Ninewa, Anbar, Salah al-Din, and Sulaymaniyah.

On average, 88.6%<sup>3</sup> of the 123,000 people<sup>4</sup> residing in camps with MoMD tents have no intention to return to their areas of origin within the next 12 months.

3 REACH Intention Survey 2019 – average percentage for Iraq

4 44% of the 123,000 people in MoMD tents reside in Dohuk camps, where only 1% of the population has intention to return.

Governorate	Camp	Date of camp opening	Camp population Sept 2019 (individuals)	MOMD tents beyond lifespan
Dahuk	Chamishko	Nov-14	26,529	5,000
	Kabarto 1	Nov-14	13,551	3,000
	Kabarto 2	Nov-14	13,774	3,000
	Mamilian	Dec-14	1,019	237
<b>Dahuk total</b>			<b>54,873</b>	<b>11,237</b>
Ninewa	Essian	Dec-14	14,985	3,003
	As Salamiyah 1	May-17	4,982	760
<b>Ninewa total</b>			<b>19,967</b>	<b>3,763</b>
Sulymaniya	Ashti IDP	Jun-17	10,771	1,200
<b>Total</b>			<b>107,594</b>	<b>16,200</b>

\* The above table does not include the Jad'ah camps where MoMD has commenced tent replacement.

## Constraints

- The GoI has not shared any plans with humanitarian partners to indicate that adequate quantities of heating and cooking fuel will be provided to people in need in a timely manner.
- MoMD has indicated readiness to replace 14,500 tents in Dohuk governorate camps but plans are not clear, and the full replacement may not happen for all camps before winter.
- MoMD has not communicated plans for distribution of winter items and clothing for IDPs in and out of camp. Previous support has been based on available stock and distributed in an ad-hoc manner with little coordination with humanitarian partners.

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Tent installation in Jeddah Camps, IOM 2019