

Returns Working Group

July 2024



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Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of June Meeting Minutes and Action Points
3. Context Update | DTM (Return Index, Displacement Index, Camp Departures ET, RWG field Update (KRI, Kirkuk & MoMD Grants)
4. IOM Facilitate Voluntary Movement Update & Reintegration Monitoring Sinjar
5. EDMCR | Erbil Camps Status
6. DS Update
7. AOB

KRI

KRG Announcement on Camp Closures



Mol minister statement

- Voluntary Return and Safe Returns
- Camp Closure Date Extended
- KRG invited to Join High Committee for IDP Camp Solutions
- Sinjar Agreement: A Critical Focus for Stability

Sulaymaniyah – Closure of Ashti camp



Departures

- 902 HH returned to their areas of origin from Ashty camp or relocated to different parts of Iraq, the majority to Salah Al-Din

Conditions in Areas of Return/Secondary displacement

- Some families returned to destroyed villages
- Some families remain in secondary displacement unable to return to their villages due to tribal issues.

Erbil – IDP Movements

| Name of Camp | Households | Individuals | Area of Return/Relocation |
|----------------|------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| Bahrka | 5 | 24 | Bejee & Ba'aj |
| Dibaga | 3 | 12 | Makhmor |
| Harsham | 5 | 16 | Ba'aj |
| Hassan Sham U2 | 22 | 72 | Mosul city |
| Hassan Sham U3 | 26 | 66 | Ninewa & Kirkuk |
| Khazir | 3 | 14 | Mosul city |

Dohuk – IDP Movements

| Return To Ninewa | | | | |
|------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|
| | In Camps | | Outside Camps | |
| | Families | Individuals | Families | Individuals |
| May | 507 | 2,146 | 24 | 98 |
| June | 731 | 3,297 | 28 | 141 |
| July | 1,179 | 5,680 | 28 | 87 |
| Total Returnees | 2,417 | 11,123 | 80 | 326 |

Note: Figures only reflecting MoMD and Spontaneous Departures

Reason of returning

1. Decision of the Ministry of Migration and placed on the closure of IDP camps.
2. Return grant of (4 million IQD) provided by the MoMD.
3. Reduced assistance in the camps.
4. Desire to return with their relatives and close friends.
5. Employment opportunities in Sinjar.

Dohuk – IDP Current population

| | Families | Individuals |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Total IDPs in camps | 23,110 | 113,164 |
| Total IDPs outside the camps | 37,274 | 184,573 |
| Total Number | 60,384 | 297,737 |

Dohuk – IDPs Reverse return

| | In Camps | |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------|
| | Families | Individuals |
| May | 5 | 15 |
| June | 2 | 6 |
| July | 3 | 14 |
| Total Return | 10 | 35 |

Reasons for reverse return

- Persistent instability and the presence of armed groups in their areas of origin, which have created fear, prompting families to seek safety in the Dohuk camps.
- Lack of housing compensation.
- Lack of essential services, electricity, and water supply, poor access to schools and hospitals.
- Inadequate employment opportunities

Observations

- The number of reverse returns has decreased recently
- In total since 2020, out of 16,847 HH from camps 1,186 HH have returned ie 7%

Kirkuk

Kirkuk Update



Sharikat Tariq/Hai Al Aska Informal Site Eviction

Background

- In May 2024 Kirkuk authorities issued an eviction notice to the residents of Hai Aska Informal Site
 - 190 HH residents (community reports 300HH)
- A survey conducted by the Kirkuk JCF indicates that of the 150HH interviewed 92% are IDPs and 7% are host community. Majority of IDPs are from Kirkuk, SAD and Diyala with a few families from Ninewa and Baghdad

Outcome of Advocacy

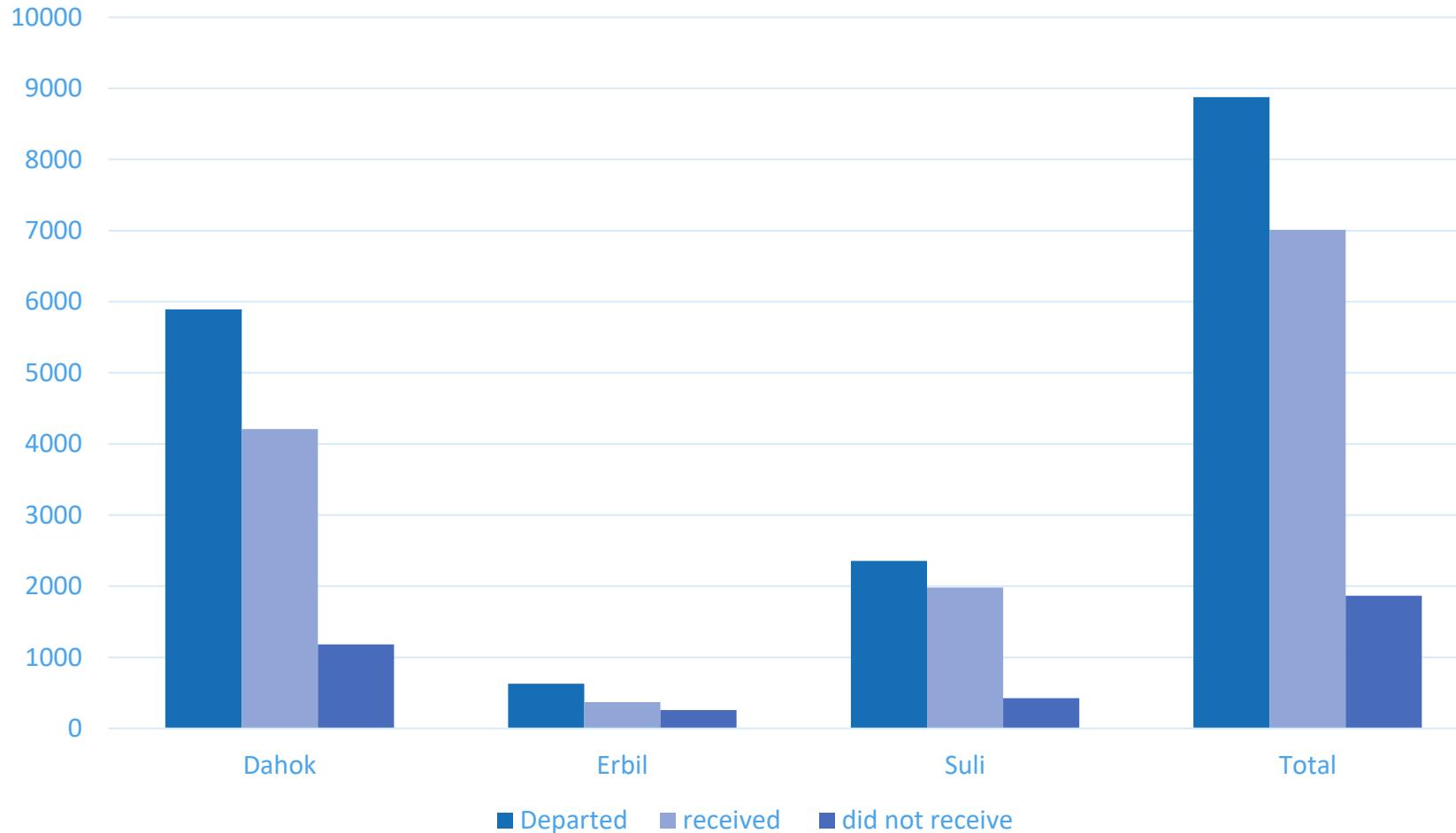
- Negotiation between the governors office and the investor to compensate each family to relocate from the site.

MoMD Grants

MoMD Return Grant (Council of Minister)

| Governorate | # families in Camps | # of departed families | # of families Received grant | # of families Not received grant |
|-------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Dohuk | 24890 | 5893 | 4211 | 1182 under process |
| Erbil | 4533 | 630 | 370 | 260 under process |
| Suli | 2354 | 2354 | 1982 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 367 departed prior to the decision - 59 not applicable - Total 426 |
| Total | 31777 | 8877 | 7009 | 1868 |

HH who departed camps, received grants vs not received





THANK YOU

QUESTIONS?