WFP News Video

WFP reaching newly accessible areas in Iraq
Location: Iraq
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Shotlist:
:00:-08
Sinjar road
Shot: 19, Dec 2015
Cam car, destroyed buildings

:08:-20
Sinouni, District of Sinjar
Shot: 19, Dec 2015
Ado Ilyas Zughayr, of Yazidi ethnicity. In August 2014 she and some family members were kidnapped by ISIS. She managed to escape unlike some other members of her family.

Ado’s family living in an unfinished building.
WFP food inside the house.

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Sinouni, District of Sinjar
Shot: 19, Dec 2015
SOT Ado Ilyas Zughayr (Kurdish)

“I had my children with me and together with the other women we escaped at night. The guards were not vigilant and we ran away, it was about midnight we walked for 3 nights and during the day we would hide in the grass, until we arrived in Hardan and met the Peshmerga.”

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Sinouni, District of Sinjar
Shot: 19, Dec 2015
Ado Ilyas Zughayr and her children outside her house.

:55-01:10
Mount Sinjar
SOT Marwa Awad, WFP Spokesperson (English)
Shot: 19, Dec 2015
“The psychological pain and suffering that these women have gone through is beyond description and WFP is doing its best by providing food to these families to ensure that they have the necessary nutrition to keep going.”

01:10-01:40  
**Mount Sinjar**  
**Shot: 19, Dec 2015**  
Following the liberation of Sinjar city, WFP was one of the first humanitarian agencies to enter Mount Sinjar and provide much needed food to IDPs who’ve been living on top of the mountain since ISIS attacked their homes in Sinjar city. Displaced Yazidi live in very harsh conditions at high altitudes. Many of them walk long distances to access drinking water.

GV of people living in tents and makeshift shelters

01:40-01:45  
**Amiriyyet Al Fallujah, Anbar governorate**  
**Shot: 15, Dec 2015**  
Thousands of Iraqis are displaced within this governorate following ISIS’s advance into the city of Ramadi. Displaced Iraqis have no livelihoods or means of earning money to buy food. They rely solely on WFP food and humanitarian assistance. WFP managed to deliver food to the besieged town of Haditha and Al Baghdadi earlier this month. We continue to deliver food across the governorate.

Cars and people crossing Bzebez bridge, at crossing point between Iraq's capital, Baghdad, and Anbar Governorate

01:45-02:27  
**Amiriyyet Al Fallujah, Anbar governorate**  
**Shot: 15, Dec 2015**  
WFP food distribution at Amiriyyat Al Fallujah Central Camp. Displaced people are receiving pulses, rice, and cooking oil, for this cycle, and for the following month they will receive wheat flour and various food items such as rice, salt, and canned vegetables.

WFP team walking in the camp and talking to the displaced families.

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- By the end of December, WFP aims to reach 1.6 million Iraqi Internally Displaced People (IDPs) across the country through food
assistance and vouchers. Distributions that began in November are ongoing.

- In November, WFP reached about 816,000 IDPs with basic food supplies such as flour and oil, some ready-to-eat rations, and vouchers to be used where markets are functioning.

- WFP and its local partner have assisted nearly 20,000 people living on and around Mount Sinjar in Ninewa governorate with food including wheat flour, rice, pulses, cooking oil, sugar, salt and bulgur for winter use.

- Amid severe funding constraints, WFP has been forced to reduce the level of assistance that it provides to internally displaced families in Iraq, in order to stretch limited resources over a longer period of time.

- WFP urgently requires US$31.8 million from now until May 2016 to continue to provide food assistance to conflict-affected Iraqis. A further US$25.1 million is needed to assist Syrian refugees in Iraq until May 2016.

**WFP Iraq Emergency in Numbers:**

- IDPs WFP plans to reach in November/December: 1.6 million
- IDPs WFP reached in November: 816,000
- Syrian refugees WFP assists: 48,000
- Total number of Iraqi IDPs: 3.2 million
- Total number of Syrian refugees in Iraq: 245,000

**Resourcing:**
WFP immediately requires **US$45 million** to continue supporting Iraqi IDPs and **US$25.1 million** to support Syrian refugees in Iraq from now to May 2016.

Donors supporting WFP food assistance operations in Iraq include: Australia, Canada, Denmark, the European Commission, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Iraq, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Saudi Arabia, Switzerland, United Kingdom, and United States.

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