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## WFP News Video

## Lean Holidays for Increasing Numbers of Iraqis Displaced by Militants as Funding for WFP Dwindles

WFP News Video: Iraq Crisis Zahko/ Faysh Khabur /Irbil, Iraq Shot 17-18 December2014 TRT: 2:32

Shotlist: :00-:38 Erbil, Iraq Shot 18December2014 Around 1600 displaced Christians, mostly from Mosul, are living in this unfinished shopping mall. There are no walls and the ground floor is filled with water. Temperatures drop below freezing at night. Here they are trying to prepare for Christmas the best they can with a makeshift nativity scene. WFP provides them food vouchers and food like rice, cooking oil and pasta. More than 1.8 million people from different groups have fled the militant attacks in Iraq since June 2014.

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Peshmerga military base, near Faysh Khabur, Iraq Shot: 17December2014 Kurdish forces have been airlifting Yazidis from Mt. Sinjar. On this day they freed Mt. Sinjar from the militants.

:50-01:05 Peshmerga military base, near Faysh Khabur, Iraq Shot: 7 November 2014 Amateur phone footage of Yazidis airlifted from Mt. Sinjar

01:05-01:12 Peshmerga military base, near Faysh Khabur, Iraq Shot: 17December2014 Kurdish forces have been airlifting Yazidis from Mt. Sinjar . On this day they freed Mt. Sinjar from the militants.

01:12-01:34 Displaced Yazidis from Sinjar living in unfinished buildings Zakho, Iraq Shot 17December 2014



Some 300,000 have been displaced from Sinjar since August 2014. WFP provides them food vouchers and food like rice, cooking oil and pasta.

01:34-01:39 Set Up: Kamila, displaced Yazidi from Sinjar living in an unfinished building Zakho, Iraq Shot 17December 2014 Militants captured Kamila and her family in early November. She managed to flee with the male members of her family but, her daughters are still being held. She says they are being raped and held for ransom.

01:39-01:48 SOT Kamila (Kurdish) Kamila, displaced Yazidi from Sinjar living in an unfinished building Zakho, Iraq Shot 17December 2014 " allot of children died from hunger, but that is not as bad as the capturing and raping of our girls. We can stand almost everything that happened in the genocide, but taking away our girls. That is the most painful thing."

01:48-01:51 cutaway Yazidi tattoos on Kamila, a displaced Yazidi from Sinjar living in an unfinished building Zakho, Iraq Shot 17December 2014

01:51-02:09 SOT: Marwa Awad, WFP Spokesperson (English) Zakho, Iraq Shot 17December 2014 "If they do get out and they are lucky enough to escape the threat that they have been facing at home then they move into these open unfinished buildings or actual camps and there we are able to reach them and provide them with the food that they need to keep warm and continue to live."

02:09-02:32 Displaced Yazidis with food/making bread Zakho, Iraq Shot 17December 2014

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- WFP has provided food assistance to more than 1 million people displaced across Iraq since the upsurge in violence in mid-June. This is in spite of a very challenging security situation.
- WFP began distributing food vouchers to displaced Iraqis in Erbil governorate in northern Iraq. The voucher scheme aims to assist half a million displaced Iraqis by the end of January 2015. Each displaced person is entitled to one voucher per month, worth US\$26.
- The humanitarian situation continues to deteriorate due to insecurity. Throughout the country, more than 1.8 million people have been displaced and are living in precarious conditions many without access to food, water or other basic essentials.
- Next year, US\$26 million will be required to continue our work in Iraq and prevent a pipeline break by March, and US\$250 million are required by December 2015.
- As the number of displaced Iraqis increases due to the ongoing conflict, WFP plans to gradually scale up its food assistance to reach 1.8 million displaced Iraqis per month by March 2015. At the moment, WFP reaches a maximum of 1.4 million displaced Iraqis per month.

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