HIGHLIGHTS

- For the Winter 2019/2020 season, four Partners have provided winter support to 22,432 IDP households - equal to 84% of the overall winter target for IDPs out of camps and 46% for IDPs in camps. The Shelter Cluster monitors achievements closely and provides updates on remaining gaps and constraints.

- In December alone, Shelter Partners and government stakeholders have replaced over 15,000 tents in multiple camps across Iraq, most notable in KRI.

- **Access letters**: since beginning of October 2019, Partners are facing challenges in getting access letter from the government due to ongoing protests in Baghdad and Southern governorates and related security concerns. This has somehow impacted partners interventions in some areas in Anbar, Baghdad and Diyala.

- **IHF second allocation / SEVAT**: The Shelter Cluster IHF projects have started in October 2019 and will be supporting 6,700 families (around 40,000 individuals) living in critical shelter with SOKs, shelter upgrades and rental subsidies in Anbar, Salah a-Din, Dahuk and Kirkuk governorates. Early December 2019, Concerned partners started the Social Economic Vulnerability Assessment (using the SEVAT) in most of project locations, for an appropriate beneficiaries targeting.

COVERAGE AGAINST TARGETS

As per the IOM-led DTM report, 1.41 million IDPs and 4.46 million Returnees have been identified across the country, from January 2014 to 31st December 2019.

The number of IDPs continues to decrease (from 2.6 million as of Dec.2017 to 1.41 million as of Dec.2019); while the numbers of returnees has increased (from 3.2 million, end of Dec.2017 to 4.46 million, end of Dec.2019).

- 25% of the 1.41 million IDPs are in camps, while 67% are currently in private settings (in rented accommodation or with host families); 8% remain in critical shelter arrangements (unfinished/abandoned building; school/religious buildings and informal settlements).
- 95% of the returnees are in their habitual residence, 2% in Private Settings while 3% live in critical shelter arrangement such as informal settlements, unfinished and abandoned buildings, schools, religious structures.

RESPONSE

Out of the overall SNFI Cluster target of 861,650 individuals, 347,278 have been assisted with NFI kits; 121,657 have benefited from shelter interventions. The coverage for NFI kits stands at 39% of the target; and the coverage for shelter stands at 14% of the target. From the total number of beneficiaries reached:

- 103,813 people living in camps and informal settlements have been reached
with NFI kits; **44,082 people** have been provided with emergency shelter interventions.

- **66,787** returnees have been reached with NFI kits; **59,944 people** were assisted with either emergency repairs of War Damaged Shelter (WDS) or provided with Sealing-off Kits.
- **36,000** IDPs out of camp and **4,000** returnees are the target of four new projects which started in October 2019 and will be completed in 2020. **40,000** vulnerable individuals will see their critical shelter improved through Sealing-Off Kits and UAB upgrades.

**GAPS / CHALLENGES**

- Based on August MCNA data, 25,000 IDP HHs (23,800 HHs out of camps and 1,200 HHs in camp settings) are missing winter items. Highest needs reported in Kirkuk, Mosul, Sulaymaniyah, Sumail and Zakho districts. Other winter needs are winter clothing, kerosene and shelter support for critical shelter.
- Partners have good capacity to cover winter 2019/2020 needs: **78% of the out-of-camp target** was reached, in-camp populations continue to be assisted in early 2020. **76% of the target for children** winter clothing has been achieved. Additionally, humanitarian and government partners have **replaced 18,500 tents** in camps in the early winter months of 2019.