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#LifeAfterDaesh Progress highlights in Iraq and Syria

SOUTHWEST ASIA – The Combined Joint Task Force-Operation Inherent Resolve and its partners remain united in a long-term, international mission to create enduring security in Iraq and Northeast Syria to enable stabilization activities and humanitarian assistance.

Below are examples of stabilization support and life after Daesh:

- **February 10: PHOTO: UNDP Iraq – Twitter**

A peace agreement was signed today supporting the reintegration of families perceived to be affiliated with Daesh in the al-Ayadiya sub-district of Tal Afar in Ninawa province. The Local Peace Conference was sponsored by the Governor of Ninawa, the Mayor of Tal Afar, the head of al-Ayadiya sub-district, and other members of the Tal Afar Local Peace Committee, with support from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Iraq.

The Tal Afar Local Peace Committee facilitated dialogue sessions with support from local government to ensure a comprehensive and sustainable return and reintegration process. As one of the 24 local peace committees in Ninawa, Salah al-Din, and Anbar provinces supported by the UNDP, the Tal Afar Local Peace Committee plays a vital role in the reintegration process by designing and implementing activities that facilitate dialogue, mediation, and trust-building between different community groups.

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- **February 10: PHOTO: UN-Habitat Iraq – Facebook**

Conscious that the current pandemic is having devastating reverberations on youth seeking jobs in Iraq, the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) has recently delivered through its implementing partner 'OROKOM Organization for Relief and Development' a two-week intensive training on how to lay concrete interlocking pavers and curb stones for 20 unemployed and vulnerable youth from al-Baker in Heet, Anbar province.

A blended theoretical and practical curriculum was designed in coordination with the Vocational Training Centre (VTC) of Heet. As part of their course, trainees spent a day in a local construction industry, where they learned how the concrete paving blocks are manufactured, and then visited a paving project in Heet where they observed the skilful art of a professional paving installer at work. Upon completion of the course, trainees received their training certificates and a set of work tools in an event organized by the Director of the Heet Youth and Sports Center.

This initiative targets specifically unemployed youth who were not fortunate enough to complete their academic studies and/or who did not find suitable work opportunities. Their newly acquired skills will improve their employability beyond the cash-for-work schemes supported so far by humanitarian projects. For starters, the newly trained workers will be employed by OROKOM to pave the sidewalks of al-Nejoom Park that is being created in al-Baker, as part of the European Union (EU) funded program 'Supporting Recovery and Stability in Iraq through Local Development', implemented by UNDP in partnership with UN-Habitat.

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- **February 11: PHOTO: IOM Iraq – Twitter**

Following the closure of several IDP camps across Iraq, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) organized distributions of emergency cash grants for affected families. The distributions took place in Baaj and Hatra, Ninawa province, reaching 72 and 33 households respectively. Each household received 448,000 Iraqi Dinars, roughly USD 320, to help them cover their immediate needs.



This emergency cash assistance was funded by the Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (EU-ECHO).

<https://twitter.com/IOMIraq/status/1359927677474533380>

- **February 12: PHOTO: IOM Iraq – Twitter**

The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted all aspects of life, including education for young children. At the start of the new academic year the IOM Iraq and the Baiji Directorate of Education led a back to school campaign in Baiji focused on vulnerable communities with large returnee populations.



Activities were carried out in two primary schools to support families and children with their material needs, and offer extracurricular activities for the students. About 270 students (155 girls and 115 boys) were reached.

As part of the campaign, school bags were distributed through the IOM Iraq's Community Resource Centre in Baiji, one of several hubs for displaced, returnee and host communities to receive information, services, and support. The activity was supported by the European Union (EU).

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- **February 12: VIDEO: U.S. Embassy Syria – Twitter**

The conflict in Syria has decimated local governance, livelihoods, and access to education. With funding from the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs and other international donors, the 'Injaz Program' assists children and youth in northeastern Syria with limited or no access to education since the start of ISIS occupation.

Since September, the 'Injaz Program' has been busy rehabilitating water and sanitation facilities at 53 schools. The project has finished work on 68 facilities at 47 schools and has already benefitted 49,000 students, including 25,000 girls.

These projects reach students in both formal and informal education settings, including in camps for internally displaced people.

<https://twitter.com/USEmbassySyria/status/1360204191344586757>



- **February 16: PHOTO: IOM Iraq – Twitter**

The IOM Iraq recently delivered furniture and equipment to the Department of Education in Sinjar, Ninawa province.

During the Daesh crisis, vital infrastructure in Sinjar was destroyed, including homes, hospitals and schools. The donated materials included desks, chairs, tablets, printers and computers will be used to elevate the pressure and needs faced by the Directorate of Education and schools in Sinjar.

The donation was part of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and IOM efforts to support the Education sector, and improve the educational conditions in Sinjar. The activity was funded by USAID Iraq.

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- **February 22: PHOTO: UNDP Iraq – Twitter**

The Iraqi Ministry of Interior and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Iraq launched an E-Learning Platform for the Iraqi local police to improve opportunities for training, career development, and specialized education. The Platform offers easy access and enrolment to all police officers in Iraq and is the first of its kind initiative in the Ministry of Interior.



The first course available to users is a training program on standard operating procedures for criminal investigations for police officers of various functions including first response, crime scene management, forensics, and lead investigators.

The initiative is implemented through the UNDP Iraq Security Sector Program and funded by the Government of Netherlands and other donors. The program aims to strengthen security and justice sector governance in Iraq. Read more: <https://bit.ly/2ZFsJzi>
<https://twitter.com/undpiniraq/status/1363768635458793476>

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