

# **ICRC: JORDAN QUARTERLY UPDATE**



#### HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR WORK IN JORDAN



**11,235** Syrians and Jordanians in Madaba and Karak governorates received food parcels and hygiene kits



2 water pumping stations in Irbid governorate were rehabilitated



**2** hospitals in Ruwayshid and Zarqa were supported with emergency medical equipment and materials which collectively received 49,148 patients



**16** visits were conducted to 12 detention places that ensured an individual followup of 334 detainees



**3,756** phone calls were provided to Syrian refugees in Zaatari and Azraq camps in order to maintain contact with their families



**633** officers from the Jordan Armed Forces, Police and Gendarmerie got familiar with international humanitarian law rules and international policing standards

# WATER AND HABITAT

In collaboration with the Ministry of Water and Irrigation, the ICRC:

- Completed 50% of the construction works in Al-Tahooneh water reservoir in Maan governorate.
- Inaugurated Harema water pumping station in Irbid in the presence of H.E. Hidenao Yanagi, Ambassador of Japan to Jordan, and several officials.
- Trained 17 water engineers and operators from the Yarmouk Water Company in operating and maintaining Malka and Harema water pumping stations.

Imagine if you only get water once a week? Um Salem tells us how she copes. To watch her story from our Facebook page (in Arabic), please <u>click here</u>. VOICES FROM THE FIELD INAUGURATION OF HAREMA PUMPING STATION:

Since 2014, 27 projects involving rehabilitation selected the of distribution transmission and treatment plants, lines, water pumping stations and water wells have been completed for the benefit of around 600,000 Jordanians and Syrians.

Jürg Montani, Head of the ICRC Delegation in Jordan.

# **ECONOMIC SECURITY**

In cooperation with the Jordan Red Crescent Society (JRCS), the ICRC:

- Provided monthly cash assistance to 8,177 Syrian refugees in Mafraq and Madaba governorates.
- Launched 58 microeconomic initiatives in favor of 295 Syrian refugees in the governorates of Amman, Madaba, Mafraq and Irbid.



Maysoon, a beneficiary of the microeconomic initiatives program

VOICES FROM THE FIELD MICROECONOMIC INITIATIVES:

> It's never easy to start anew, but I will stand on my feet again and succeed. We used to rely mostly on credit, but thank God, this grant has relieved our pressures enormously.

Morhaf, a beneficiary of the microeconomic initiatives program in Mafraq governorate.

# **RED CROSS/RED CRESCENT MOVEMENT**

The Jordan Red Crescent Society published a video on the visit of the Danish Red Cross Goodwill Ambassador, Torbjorn Pedersen, to Jordan. To watch it, please <u>click here</u>.

# **HEALTH CARE**



Pre-hospital care training for 23 participants from Ruwayshid Hospital and the Civil Defence Directorate

# To support the health care system in Jordan, the ICRC:

- Contributed to the rehabilitation of the emergency department in Ruwayshid Hospital.
- Organized a meeting for 30 representatives from the Ministry of Health, the Civil Defence Directorate and the Royal Medical Services to discuss the ICRC action plan for emergency preparedness in 2018.
- Conducted a pre-hospital care training for 23 participants from Ruwayshid Hospital and the Civil Defence Directorate.
- Continued to support improvements in teaching and learning at the University of Jordan by providing mentoring and practical training to Prosthetics and Orthotics Department faculty members.

#### VOICES FROM THE FIELD HEALTH:

The ICRC will provide six medical facilities in Jordan with advice, logistical support and training in issues related to health care in general and emergency preparedness in particular.

Dr. Raed Abu Rabi, Head of the Health Department at the ICRC Delegation in Jordan.

## **VISITING DETAINEES**

To help improve detainees' treatment and living conditions, the ICRC:

- Exchanged 152 Red Cross messages and oral greetings (salamat) between detainees and their relatives in Jordan and elsewhere.
- Provided 4 released detainees or their families with attestations of detention.
- Notified relevant embassies or the UNHCR on the detention of 77 foreigners.

## **RESTORING FAMILY LINKS**

To help families maintain contact with their relatives, the ICRC:

- Exchanged 185 Red Cross messages and oral greetings (salamat) between Jordanians and their relatives detained abroad.
- Issued travel documents to 5 foreigners, upon the request of the UNHCR and certain embassies.

# **PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW**

#### To promote respect for IHL and humanitarian principles, the ICRC:

- Sponsored the participation of seven law and Sharia professors to two regional trainings on IHL held in Beirut and Rabat.
- Supported the integration of IHL in the military science curriculum at the level of Jordanian universities, following an initiative led by the National Commission for the Implementation of IHL (NCIHL).
- Held a seminar on IHL for 29 junior diplomatic attachés at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Organized a workshop on media and IHL in collaboration with the NCIHL and the Jordan Press Association for 25 journalists.

# WHAT DOES IHL SAY?



# ARTICLE

An effective killer: Five things you need to know about chemical weapons. Click here

# WHAT'S NEW?



Our Facts and Figures for 2017 is now out. To know more about the highlights of our work in Jordan, please click here.



A new leaflet on microeconomic initiatives has been produced.

Many people around the world agree that humanitarian workers are **XOTATarget** - join them!



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