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**CASH ASSISTANCE:**

The third round of cash assistance for 2017 started on 23 July and is planned to conclude on 14 September. Up to 418,000 Palestine refugees in Syria will receive US$ 64 in Syrian Pounds, covering two months’ worth of aid.

**WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE:**

In July, UNRWA continued to deliver potable water to camps and host communities and distributed 74,693 items of WASH assistance, including 48,119 hygiene kits, 10,230 baby and adults diapers, and 2,268 sanitary napkins.

**HEALTH:**

A total of 66,807 individuals received primary medical consultations in the 26 health facilities across the country. The Agency maintains agreements with 27 hospitals across the country to provide subsidized secondary health care.

**FOOD & NON-FOOD ITEMS (NFI):**

The first round of food assistance, which started on 19 February, was concluded on 30 July, with 367,033 Palestine refugees benefiting from the food parcels provided. The Agency also distributed 12,536 mattresses, 1,069 blankets, and 38 tarpaulins in distribution centres and shelters.

**SHELTER:**

The nine collective shelters run by UNRWA in Damascus and Rif Damascus accommodated 1,928 refugees. In addition, shelter residents received food parcels or canned food and dry food items. This month, 19,109 tons of canned food and 11,235 kg of dry food items were distributed.

**EDUCATION:**

A total of 13,281 students attended the summer learning programme and catch-up classes in July. In addition, the education programme in Syria held its annual conference on 31 July, where a review of its performance over the past academic year took place, as well as preparations for the coming year.

**PROTECTION:**

On average, 242 protection cases are identified per month, where 99 per cent of the cases are assisted and 1 per cent are referred to partners. The five family support offices the Agency runs provide counselling, psychosocial support and legal advice on a range of protection issues, including early marriage and domestic violence.

**REQUIREMENTS**

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US$ 328,952,593

**RECEIVED CONTRIBUTIONS**

US$ 68,884,328

**20.9%**

**persons received cash assistance**

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