UNRWA COVID-19 BRIEF UPDATE - 10 APRIL 2020

1. Epidemiological situation (WHO data: as of 9 April 2020)

   Number of cases including Palestinian refugees (Ptfs)
   - Lebanon: 3,025 cases, (Ptfs: 0), 3 deaths (local test) (324)
   - Jordan: 2,239 cases, 216, 35 recovered, 1 death (Ptfs) (local test) (208)
   - Syria: 17 cases, (Ptfs: 0), 3 recover (208)

   Number of cases in health care workers
   - Gaza: 103 cases
   - West Bank: 42 cases
   - Jordan: 57 cases
   - Lebanon: 17 cases

   Total countries under lockdown: 107

2. UNRWA Field (Field) and Area Offices (AO) (Staff telecommuting until 15 April except for health and other critical staff. Schools and vocational training centres remain closed until further notice. Relief and Social Services (RSS) offices are closed, except for emergency cases that require food distribution. Staff will respond to the needs of Palestinian refugees via their food baskets via the new house-to-house delivery modality for food distributions. Field and AOs will work in coordination with local authorities to ensure the needs of the camps. Staff are telecommuting.

3. General

   Israel: Partial lockdown in effect. Curfew remains in effect from 7:00 pm to 05:00 am. Border crossings remain closed. All borders are closed. More security forces will be allowed per vehicle except for emergency cases. Israel has extended the lockdown including Biddo and Shufat camps for another month. Israel continues to close the Rafah Terminal (PRs: 87,987) and all Israeli roads in the West Bank. (NEW)

   Syria: Nationwide lockdown in effect. One crossing is shut down for most permit holders and is open for special medical and humanitarian cases only. Rafah Terminal is closed in both directions for all non-citizens and all non-resident Palestinian medical and humanitarian cases. Returning Palestinian workers are questioned and underwent a medical check. Movement restrictions remain in effect and a system of ID cards for critical services is under discussion.

   Iraq: 1,202 cases, 69 deaths
   - Iraq: 5,160 cases, 103 deaths
   - Turkey: 9,404 cases, 71 deaths

3. New: Due to increasing size of the content in this update, it will come out with a new design & format VERY SOON!

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