

## The IRAQI RED CRESCENT SOCIETY MOUSL LIBERATION OPERATION BULLETIN

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The Iraqi Red Crescent Society (IRCS) is an Independent, volunteer-based National Society that works to alleviate suffering for all. We are also an auxiliary body to public authorities/government when responding to humanitarian needs. However, we maintain our independence from authorities and function as an autonomous, apolitical, non-partisan organization. our interventions alleviate the suffering for all, in accordance with the movement's fundamental principles since 1932.

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<u>Programs</u> Relief, First Aid and health services, WATSAN, Dissemination and IHL, Youth, RFL and ERWA Our Fundamental principles humanity, independence, impartiality, neutrality voluntary services, unity and Universality. The IRCS main structure distributed on the 18 governorates including the capital Baghdad, 93 offices, with human power of 7530 volunteers 2195 staff beside our offices in Amman .Beirut and Tehran

## MOUSL

The second big governorate in Iraq with estimated 5.5 million population from different ethnic and sectarian origin living in harmony till 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014 when ISIS militants took control of the city center and surroundings ,almost half of the population left in large waves of internally displaced people or refugees toward safe zone inside Iraq and neighboring countries respectively ;yet almost 1.5 million still inside city center suffering severe agony and deprivation with high unemployment rate and bad economy as part of ISIS policies beside terrorism



After long preparations the Iraqi governments started the liberation operation joined by international coalition to salvage the great ancient city from ISIS oppression on early hours of 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016

**IDPs Stories** The IRCS teams kept their presence inside each camp working with different people, providing their needs and listening to their own stories about the circumstances under ISIS control when they lack the basic needs and freedom and the way they were assistated by liberating troops in utmost care and consideration despite their shelters in camps they feel free and safe No single incidence was reported about misconduct or inhumane act during their escape journey from their homes to the camps including screening security zone; on the contrary they were gratful for the armed troops liberation, safety and all assistance delievered by them provided.

## The IRCS inside Hamam AL-Alil

9th October 2016

Hamam Al-A'lil is largest city to the south of Mosul and was liberated from ISIS on 7<sup>th</sup> November after long fierce door to door battles, the City host 3000 families

Once the army troops approved, the IRCS team from Salahaddin branch moved inside the devastated city immediately welcomed by the residences and started assisting its people through distribution of Food items (1600 Food Baskets and 1000 ready meals beside the Health and First AID teams and promise to continue to provide all the Aids required.

One can witness long ques of welcoming residence waiting to have their share and we promised to bring more aid to the city. (look to annex)

Meanwhile operation to support the IDPs inside Khazer and Hasan Shame camps is continuing; the IRCS build a Bakery at each of Hasan Shame and Khazer camps to provide fresh bread daily for the IDPs next to already 4 bakeries at our Erbil branch

The headquarter, Ninawa and Diala Branches aided Erbil branch of the IRCS in distribution of equal share to Both camps (Khazer and Hasan Shame); each camp received Aids including 500 Food baskets ,500 hygiene sets,500 kitchen set ,500 stoves,1000 Jerri cans and 17.5 Ton of rice (the complete ration can cover each family for one month) beside 500 water bottle dozen sets

Hot meals were 2000 meals supported with bread covering launch and dinners to the new 491 families arrived to these camps

The IRCS health team was delivering Psychosocial support, and health promotion. The Psychosocial programs of great benefit to the IDPs to overcome their sufferings and rehabilitate their psychology back to normal, its delivered to different gender and age group, our beneficiaries as following:-open day activity to 150 children, tent visits 92 families, 55 PSP to male and 73 female First Aid psychology support to 20 families. The health promotion targeted 71 individuals to keep IDPs safe and healthy.

We are working closely with our partners from the Red Cross Red crescent movements and Barazani charitable foundation in great cooperation and coordination to assess the developing of the humanitarian situation and we are ready to support the people inside the liberated cities as well as the camps

Last count of the IDPS inside the camps as following: -

- Hasan Shame host 1531 families (7854 individuals)
- Khazer host 1740 families (8700 individuals)

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