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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:

- **April 15: VIDEO: Mines Advisory Group – Twitter**

Since 2014, the Daesh occupation has forced millions of people across Iraq to abandon their homes. For most, home became the various camps set up to provide shelter for those who had managed to escape the violence.

Today, the closure of IDP camps leaves thousands of parents with no choice but to return home with their families to the villages they fled. Nevertheless, when Daesh retreated from villages and towns, they made sure the roads, the fields, the schools, and the homes they left behind were riddled with explosives.

In 2020, despite the challenges of a global pandemic Mines Advisory Group (MAG) teams in Iraq continue their work to clear the deadly legacy of conflict and released almost 1.5 million m² of safe land, located and destroyed 2,255 mines and unexploded bombs and delivered almost 6,000 life saving lessons.

MAG's work in Iraq in 2020 wouldn't have been possible without the continued support of the donors. Learn more: <https://twitter.com/MAGsaveslives/status/1382749847455997955>





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- **April 16: PHOTO: USAID's Middle East Bureau – Twitter**

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) is proud to be working with Nadia's Initiative and the Ninawa Civil Defense Directorate to advance the safety of communities in Sinjar by restoring and increasing the capacity of the Directorate to deliver public services to citizens.

<https://twitter.com/USAIDMiddleEast/status/1383098505313595394>



- **April 19: PHOTO: UNDP Iraq – Twitter**

The United Kingdom has committed GBP 3 million (approximately US\$ 4.1 million) to support the Government of Iraq's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, in partnership with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

With this contribution, the United Kingdom joins 12 international partners in supporting the UNDP's COVID-19 rapid health emergency response in Iraq. The UNDP's response aims to strengthen Iraq's health sector in response to the pandemic, improve access to isolation wards and medical equipment, increase public awareness of COVID-19 symptoms and prevention measures, and provide personal protective equipment to healthcare workers.

Since launching its response in March 2020, the UNDP has established 13 purpose-built COVID-19 isolation wards in Anbar (Fallujah and Ramadi), Babil, Basra, Dhi Qar, Diyala, Dohuk, Karbala, Kirkuk, Missan, Najaf, Ninawa and Salah Ad-Din provinces. Additional wards are being built in Diwaniya, Erbil, Muthanna and Wasit, provinces bringing the total number of supported medical facilities to 17.

<https://twitter.com/undpiniraq/status/1384061135918231555>





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- **April 19: PHOTO: IOM Iraq – Twitter**

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) Iraq trained community mobilizers and help desk staff in Jeddah Camp, Ninawa province, on ‘Communications with Communities and Accountability to Affected Populations’ techniques, to improve their ability to communicate with the IDPs in the camp, and to discuss feedback mechanisms and COVID-19 precautions while conducting any field activities.

The trainings sessions were conducted in small groups so that participants could maintain appropriate distance as a COVID-19 precaution. These trainings are supported by the United States Agency for International Development’s Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (USAID’s BHA).

<https://twitter.com/IOMIraq/status/1384128922883743752>



- **April 20: PHOTO: Nadia’s Initiative – Twitter**

Hygiene is integral to the health of our communities and stopping the spread of COVID-19. Good hygiene requires access to WASH infrastructure and supplies that are severely lacking in Sinjar, Iraq.

As part of its comprehensive WASH restoration project funded by United Arab Emirates (UAE Aid), Nadia’s Initiative is launching a campaign to promote hygiene awareness and deliver hygiene kits with essential supplies to students in 35 schools in Sinjar.

Classroom workshops are being led by local Village Water Committee members who were trained to lead water and sanitation efforts in their communities.

<https://twitter.com/nadiainitiative/status/1384424034436276224>





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- **April 20: PHOTO: UN-Habitat Iraq – Twitter**

The United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), in partnership with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Iraq and the European Union (EU) in Iraq, is working to improve the skills and livelihoods of 30 female-headed households by challenging the gender stereotypes associated with gardening in al-Yarmouk park, Mosul, Iraq.



The public space rehabilitation initiatives contribute to social cohesion within war-torn communities. Through this initiative, UN-Habitat will restore public access for over half a million people living in west Mosul to the park.

The landscaping activities are providing female-headed households gardeners with a steady income stream.

Read more: <https://bit.ly/3mOwUU8>

<https://twitter.com/UNHabitatIRAQ/status/1384401446263791616>

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