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REGIONAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF UNFPA'S SYRIA RESPONSE / 2021

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Since the onset of the Syria crisis, UNFPA has been providing sexual and reproductive health and gender-based violence services to Syrian refugees, displaced people, and host communities. UNFPA has conducted its fifth regional assessment spanning the Whole of Syria, Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, and Iraq to gauge the impact its programmes have had on the wellbeing of women, girls, boys, and men. The assessment also incorporated COVID-19 and its far-reaching ramifications throughout the process.

UNFPA is grateful to all donors and implementing partners whose support has enabled the delivery of a wide array of programmes geared toward women and girls region-wide. UNFPA's programmes are currently supported by Australia, Bulgaria, Canada, Denmark, The European Commission, Finland, France, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, USAID's Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (BHA), and the US Department of State Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (BPRM).



1,100+
RESPONDENTS

370+
ADOLESCENT GIRLS

147
KEY INFORMANTS

137
FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSIONS

2000+
CLIENT FEEDBACK FORMS

100+
PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

91%

described health facilities as 'absolutely essential' or 'very important'



Overall, participants are very satisfied with supported services

98%

of clients reported feeling respected



Participants consistently underscore the uniqueness of services at Safe Spaces

94%

of women and adolescent girls described Safe Spaces as 'essential' or 'very important'



Tackling transportation barriers will improve overall accessibility of services



Women and girls are opting more and more for gender transformative activities at Safe Spaces



Findings show enhanced social inclusion, including LGBTQI+ and people with disabilities



SRH and GBV awareness amongst communities has notably increased

KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

TRANSFORMATIVE INITIATIVES

More emphasis should be placed on cross-country knowledge management on gender transformative approaches in Safe Spaces.

IMPROVED ACCESSIBILITY

Develop guidance on how to address transportation barriers, using current innovations from the region with countries implementing strategies that best fit their context.

ACCOUNTABILITY TO AFFECTED POPULATIONS

Ensure greater access to feedback and complaint mechanisms for women and girls and at-risk groups accessing services.