ACTED IN IRAQ


2018: FROM FIRST-LINE TO STABILIZATION

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ACTED has been working in Iraq since 2003, providing humanitarian support to vulnerable populations through a multi-sector emergency assistance. ACTED focuses on emergency and sustainable WASH promotion; child protection; food security; shelter and NFI distribution; and integrated camp management.

ACTED has been operating from 7 bases, with coordination offices in Erbil and Bagdad, and field offices in Dohuk, Salamiyah, Sulayminah, Kalar and Kut.

In all its intervention, ACTED maintains close coordination with all stakeholders, including United Nations agencies, clusters, international and local NGOs, local authorities, and other national actors.

Since 2016, ACTED has implemented projects covering 15 of 18 Governorates, with more than 50 international staff and 300 national staff.

Iraq In Context

Total number of people in need: 11 million
Total number of Internally Displaced Persons: 3,259,872
Total number of Returnees: 2,171,034
Total number of Syrian Refugees: 244,235
Since the start of Mosul Offensive in October 2016, ACTED has been one of the key first front line responders, providing immediate live saving assistance. Highlights include:

- **Rapid Response Mechanism**: 68,000 displaced families provided with food, hygiene and dignity kits within 48 hours of displacement;
- **Camp management**: ACTED is camp manager of Salamiyah 1 and 2 Emergency Camps, which hosts 32,000 IDPs from Mosul City and Ba‘aj;
- **WASH**: 140,000 individuals reached through daily emergency water trucking in East Mosul. ACTED also extended a water network from the Salamiyah Water Treatment plant to the Salamiyah 1 Camp, ensuring 10,000 people have sustained access to clean water;
- **Shelter and NFI Response**: 250,000 individuals reached with life-saving non-food item and shelter assistance;
- **Food security**: Through monthly in-kind food baskets, cash and vouchers for food, and a pilot project using mobile money transfers, ACTED is providing essential food assistance for 140,000 individuals;
- **Child Protection**: Working in and out of camp, targeting refugees and IDPs, ACTED provided psychological first aid, psycho-social support, non-formal education and case management to 37,500 children.

With the end of the conflict in Iraq nearing, ACTED will shift its programming towards activities promoting reconstruction, stabilization and resilience, with a focus on:

- **Reestablishment of key WASH services**: infrastructure rehabilitation and capacity building to local authorities
- **Durable shelter solutions**: supporting tailored household level shelter rehabilitation for shelters damaged by the conflict
- **Promoting community based child protection**: working with communities to identify and build capacity of appropriate local structures to take ownership of child protection
- **Livelihoods**: providing urban and rural communities essential skills and opportunities to rebuild their lives and plan for their futures.

**ACTED will retain its humanitarian mandate in Iraq and respond to any emerging crises, and will continue to manage and provide life-saving WASH services within the Salamiyah Emergency Camps as needed.**