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UNFPA Syria Monthly Update

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Empowering Syrian Youth to Become Entrepreneurs

The SCS – Syrian Computer Society – in Damascus, on 20 September had concluded the second phase of the entrepreneurial boot camp, supported by the UNFPA. The graduation ceremony celebrated 6 awardees of whose projects were unique. UNFPA, in partnership with the SCS awarded the winners grants and facilitated the incubation of the projects. The entrepreneurial boot camp was held in partnership with Venture International and focused on the academic knowledge of the financial operations in startups and marketing, as well as idea pitching to investors. 23 of the startup ideas were in the telecommunication and information field from different governorates, including Damascus, Homs and Lattakia.



Capacity Building of Young Syrians through Freelancing Translation Projects



On 17-18 September, with the support of UNFPA, TEDx-Youth@Jahez team, in cooperation with TED Translation community organized a translation marathon for youth. 15 young people coming from different social and academic backgrounds, including Damascus, Hama and Aleppo, joined the marathon. The aim of the event was to engage youth with a global network of young people working with TED translation community, as well as build their capacities on learning

English as a second language. Moreover, the organizing team aimed to encourage youth and support them to launch their own freelancing translation projects. Post to this event, youth had contributed to enriching the Arabic content of the TED videos on the Internet.

Applying Innovative Practices through Technology Tools that Help Youth to Achieve their Mission

After 15 sessions of code learning, innovation and inspiration. 16 young people participated in the workshop aiming to expand their perspectives on technology and learn how it is used in today's world to facilitate our lives. ChangeMakers also aims to reduce the gender gap in technology and involve girls in the field. 9 out of 16 participants were girls. Furthermore, teaching girls coding proves that they it doesn't only provides them with computer skills but also teaches them confidence. Looking forward to the graduation ceremony next week where those young people will present short talks on different topics.



Gender Based Violence

First Training on Gender Based Violence for UNFPA Partners in AL Qamishly



On 14 September, UNFPA organized the first training workshop on gender-based violence (GBV), targeting staff members of the different organizations working closely with UNFPA in Qamishli. Maan Alhosen, UNFPA Coordinator, said: “the workshop continued for 10 days and it is recognized as the first workshop to target staff members from partnering organizations working in the humanitarian sector. It explained GBV concept and aimed to raise awareness of such

actions on their families and communities. The workshop also aimed to explain the measures taken to prevent GBV.

Paving the Way to Share the Youth Stories through Photography Learning in Damascus Countryside

On 06 September, the humanitarian center at Mar Jacob in Kalamoon, in partnership with UNFPA organized a workshop on the basics of photography and directing. 15 participants came from the local community to participate. The workshop aimed to develop youth’s skills, especially young girls and motivate them to exchange their experiences.



Helping Young People to Become Healthier and More Informed through Sexual Education in Aleppo



Between 9- 13 Sep, UNFPA supported the Syrian Family Planning Association to organize a workshop on Sexual Education in Aleppo. 25 youth participated from Aleppo and Hama. The workshop covered various topics: human rights & youth needs, sexual education & its importance, gender & sex. On the last day, youth watched a movie “Awrak El Nada” related to sexual & reproductive rights.

Reproductive Health

Delivering Medical & Humanitarian Supplies to Different Governorates in War Torn Syria

UNFPA has accomplished the setting of 2 Oxygen generators in the Obstetrics University hospital in Aleppo on 16 September. These generators are recognized as the most developed in the Middle East. They work 24/7 alternately but they are also willing to simultaneously when needed. UNFPA works to support the maternal and reproductive services which are offered free of charge at the maternal hospital in Aleppo.



The hospital's doors are open to visitors from both the city and its surroundings daily. UNFPA provided the hospital with one Echo Doppler machine, one electric shock device and 2 breathing units for toddlers. UNFPA also provided a number of medicines and essential equipment of which will facilitate the process of service providing.



During September month, and in cooperation with the Ministry of Health, UNFPA provided Mammography machines to the hospitals in Damascus countryside, Lattakia, Tartous, Homs governorates. The first machine was set in the national hospital in Qatana, Rural Damascus.

UN Interagency Humanitarian Delivery to Deir ez-Zor

UNFPA Aid Reaches Deir ez-Zor City for the First Time in Three Years

UNFPA, and other UN agencies in cooperation with Syrian Arab Red Crescent (SARC), launched on 12 September a convoy to Deir ez-Zor as a quick response to the humanitarian needs in the governorate. UNFPA provided 25,000 hygiene kits to be distributed to the people living in Deir ez-Zor. The convoy left Damascus September the 12th heading to Homs and arrived Deir ez-Zor on September 14th.





UNFPA is the lead UN agency for delivering a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe and every young person's potential is fulfilled.

While UNFPA assistance must remain concerned with saving lives and safeguarding human dignity, preparing Syrian people for future recovery, reconstruction, reconciliation and stability, is equally a priority.

UNFPA Syria focusses on:

- Improving access to high-quality reproductive health care.
- Scaling-up gender-based violence prevention and response.
- Enhancing youth participation and inclusiveness.
- Supporting capacities to collect and use gender-and age-disaggregated data for tailoring response and recovery programming.

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