



“Afghan returnee family receive Food packages and NFI assistance at Turkham Transit Centre © A Sharafat / IOM Afghanistan”

Highlights

124,968 total returns from Iran and Pakistan since 01 Jan 2019

118,598 total returns from Iran since 01 Jan 2019

6,370 total returns from Pakistan since 01 Jan 2019

18,251 undocumented Afghans returned from Iran

788 undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan

5% of returnees from Iran (823 individuals) assisted

85% of returnees from Pakistan (671 individuals) assisted

Return from Iran

According to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), a total of **18,251** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Iran through the Milak (Nimroz) and Herat (Islam Qala) border crossings between 7-13 April 2019, **250%** more than in the previous week (5,215). **8,025** returned voluntarily, **10,226** were deported. This brings the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran since 01 January 2019 to 118,598. IOM provided post-arrival humanitarian assistance to **823 (5%)** undocumented Afghans deported from Iran at its Transit Centers in Nimroz and Herat, including 149 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 74 Medical Cases, 103 members of Single Parent Families, 32 Physically Disabled, 34 Special Cases, 18 Unaccompanied Elderly, 46 Drug Addicted, 39 members of a Poor Family, 5 Single Female and 320 members of deported families.

Protection Assistance for Returnees

The Protection Unit completed case management assessment for 125 PSN cases in Ghor, Kandahar, Nangarhar, Kunduz, Sare Pul, Hirat, Takhar, Balkh and Kabul, including 45 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 33 Female-headed Households, 20 Special Cases, 19 Medical Cases, 3 Elderlies at Risk 2 Drug Addicts, 2 Single Female and 1 Person with Disability. In addition 5 Female-headed Households received protection assistance in Kunar.

Situation Overview

In 2019, IOM is projecting a return of over 570,000 returnees from Iran linked to ongoing economic challenges and a minimum of 50,000 returns from Pakistan, a figure that has already been endorsed by the Governments of Pakistan and Afghanistan. The remaining undocumented and Afghan Citizenship Card holding caseloads of more than 1,000,000 people may also face deportation from Pakistan in 2019.

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Return from Pakistan

According to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), a total of **788** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Pakistan through the Turkham (Nangarhar) and Spin Boldak (Kandahar) border crossings from 07-13 April 2019. Of the total returnees, 526 were spontaneous returnees and 262 were deported undocumented Afghans. This number marks an **7% increase** compared to the previous week (734). The total number of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan since 01 January 2019 is now 6,370. IOM provided post-arrival assistance to **85%** of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan (671 individuals).

Number of Undocumented Returnees in 2019 (Turkham, Spin Boldak, Islam Qala and Milak)

Date	Spontaneous Returnee				Total Spon	Deportees				Total De-portee	Overall Return
	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz		Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz		
Jan - Feb 2019	415	1,641	15,913	11,080	29,049	198	413	13,077	18,414	32,102	61,151
01-23 Mar 2019	409	752	5,936	7,550	14,647	168	186	4,635	11,911	16,900	31,547
24 - 30 Mar 19	136	366	1,579	1,455	3,536	63	101	1,933	1,649	3,746	7,282
31 Mar - 6 Apr 19	137	500	894	1,500	3,031	97	0	720	2,101	2,918	5,949
07 - 13 Apr 19	123	403	4,994	3,031	8,551	111	151	2,924	7,302	10,488	19,039
Total	1,220	3,662	29,316	24,616	58,814	637	851	23,289	41,377	66,154	124,968

Number of Assisted PSNs by IOM in 2019 (Turkham, Spin Boldak, Islam Qala and Milak)

Date	Spontaneous Returnee				Total As-sisted Spon	Deportees				Total As-sisted Dep	Total As-sisted
	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz		Turkham	Spin Boldak	Herat	Nimroz		
Jan - Feb 2019	415	1,537	58	282	2,292	29	280	2,312	1,944	4,565	6,857
01- 23 Mar 2019	409	711	40	448	1,608	58	162	687	864	1,771	3,379
24 - 30 Mar 19	136	342	0	153	631	23	101	393	140	657	1,288
31 Mar - 6 Apr 19	137	467	6	201	811	17	0	218	244	479	1,290
07 - 13 Apr 19	123	396	45	31	595	20	132	515	232	899	1,494
Total	1,220	3,453	149	1,115	5,937	147	675	4,125	3,424	8,371	14,308

Type of Assisted PSNs by IOM (Turkham, Spin Boldak, Islam Qala and Milak)

PSNs Assisted 07-13 April 2019	Persons							Total
	From Iran			From Pakistan				
	Herat	Nimroz	Sub-Total	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Sub-Total		
Poor Family (PF)	36	3	39	104	292	396	435	
Unaccompanied Migrant Children	78	71	149	1	18	19	168	
Single Parents Family (SP)	75	28	103	19	104	123	226	
Special Cases (SC)	25	9	34	16	114	130	164	
Medical Case (MC)	56	18	74	0	0	0	74	
Physically Disabled (PD)	27	5	32	0	0	0	32	
Unaccompanied Elderly (UE)	16	2	18	0	0	0	18	
Drug Addicted (DA)	45	1	46	0	0	0	46	
Single Female (SF)	5	0	5	0	0	0	5	
Mentally Ill (MI)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	
Chronically ill (CI)	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	
Deported Families	194	126	320	3	0	3	323	
Total PSNs	560	263	823	143	528	671	1,494	

IOM Afghanistan has assisted a total of 14,308 undocumented Afghans returning from Iran and Pakistan since 01 January 2019, thanks to the dedication of our staff and the generosity of our donors.

