



Afghan deportees flowing toward registration center at the IOM Nimroz Reception Center at Milak border ©IOM 2019

Highlights

282,863 total returns from Iran and Pakistan since 01 Jan 2019

269,241 total returns from Iran

13,622 total returns from Pakistan

9,804 undocumented Afghans returned from Iran with **5%** of returnees from Iran (537 individuals) assisted

563 undocumented Afghans returned from Pakistan with **100%** of returnees from Pakistan (538 individuals) assisted including 5 individuals from previous weeks.

Return from Iran

According to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), a total of **9,804** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Iran through the Milak (Nimroz) and Herat (Islam Qala) border crossings between **28 July** to **03 August 2019**, **5 %** more than the previous week (**9,804**). **4,634** returned voluntarily, **5170** were deported. This brings the total number of undocumented returnees from Iran since 01 January 2019 to **269,241**. IOM provided post-arrival humanitarian assistance to 537 (**5%**) undocumented Afghans deported from Iran at its Transit Centers in Nimroz and Herat, including 68 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 34 Medical Cases, 95 members of Single Parent Families, 5 Physically Disabled persons, 17 Unaccompanied Elderly, 5 Single Females, and 181 members of deported families, 10 persons with substance abuse concerns.

Protection Assistance for Returnees

The Protection unit completed case management assessments for 69 PSN cases in Kunduz, Saripul, Takhar, Herat, Balkh, Nimroz, Kabul and Nangarhar provinces including 11 special cases, 23 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 19 female-headed households, 4 at risk elderly persons, 8 single females, 8 medical cases and 4 persons with substance abuse concerns. In addition, 28 Unaccompanied Migrant Children, 16 medical cases, 15 special cases and 6 elderlies at risk received protection assistance in Saripul province.

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. On 27 June, ACCs were extended until 31 October 2019 by the Government of Pakistan.

Monthly Return of Undocumented Afghans

Month	Iran	Pakistan	Total
January 2019	34,413	1,291	35,704
February 2019	24,071	1,376	25,447
March 2019	37,512	2,202	39,714
April 2019	53,898	3,453	57,351
May-19	39,886	1,488	41,374
Jun-19	35,277	1,440	36,717
Jul-19	40,947	2,132	43,079
Aug-19	3,237	240	3,477
Total	269,241	13,622	282,863

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Return from Pakistan

According to the Border Monitoring Team of the Directorate of Refugees and Repatriation (DoRR), a total of **563** undocumented Afghans spontaneously returned or were deported from Pakistan through the Turkham (Nangarhar) and Spin Boldak (Kandahar) border crossings from 28 July to 03 August 2019. All of them were spontaneous returnees. This number marks a **52%** increase compared to the previous week (370). The total number of undocumented Afghan returnees from Pakistan since 01 January 2019 is now 13,622. IOM provided post-arrival assistance to **101%** of undocumented returnees from Pakistan including 6 persons from previous weeks (568 individuals).

Number of Undocumented Returnees in 2019 (Herat, Nimroz, Turkham and Spin Boldak)

Date	Iran				Total Iran	Pakistan				Total Pakistan	Overall Return
	Herat		Nimroz			Turkham		Kandahar			
	Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		
Jan - June 2019	48,271	42,822	50,295	83,669	225,057	2326	1210	6574	1140	11,250	236,307
01 - 20 Jul 2019	4,669	5,233	5,378	9,768	25,048	433	12	940	54	1,439	26,487
21-27 Jul 2019	2,110	1,559	1,976	3,687	9,332	107	0	249	14	370	9,702
28 July - 03 Aug 2019	2,870	1,691	1,764	3,479	9,804	189	0	374	0	563	10,367
Total	57,920	51,305	59,413	100,603	269,241	3,055	1,222	8,137	1,208	13,622	282,863

Number of Assisted PSNs by IOM in 2019 (Herat, Nimroz, Turkham and Spin Boldak)

Date	Iran				Total Iran	Pakistan				Total Pakistan	Overall Assisted
	Herat		Nimroz			Turkham		Kandahar			
	Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		Spont	Deport	Spont	Deport		
Jan - May 2019	510	6,923	1,874	5,617	14,924	2326	153	6072	675	9,226	24,150
01 - 13 Jul 2019	295	1,001	110	694	2,100	433	0	861	0	1,294	3,394
21-27 July 2019	94	244	52	209	599	107	0	235	0	342	941
28 July - 03 Aug 2019	148	196	27	166	537	189	0	379	0	568	1,105
Total	1,047	8,364	2,063	6,686	18,160	3,055	153	7,547	675	11,430	29,590

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

PSNs Assisted 28 July - 03 Aug 2019	Persons						Total
	From Iran			From Pakistan			
	Herat	Nimroz	Sub-Total	Turkham	Spin Boldak	Sub-Total	
Poor Family (PF)	60	27	87	156	280	436	523
Unaccompanied Migrant Children	32	36	68	0	0	0	68
Single Parents Family (SP)	95	0	95	33	99	132	227
Special Cases (SC)	27	8	35	0	0	0	35
Medical Case (MC)	14	20	34	0	0	0	34
Physically Disabled (PD)	2	3	5	0	0	0	5
Unaccompanied Elderly (UE)	13	4	17	0	0	0	17
Drug Addicted (DA)	6	4	10	0	0	0	10
Single Female (SF)	5	0	5	0	0	0	5
Mentally Ill (MI)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chronically ill (CI)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deported Families	90	91	181	0	0	0	181
Total PSNs	344	193	537	189	379	568	1,105

IOM Afghanistan has assisted a total of 29,590 undocumented Afghans returning from Iran and Pakistan since 01 January 2019,



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