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### SITUATION UPDATE

Lebanon is currently facing immense humanitarian difficulties as the nation struggles with a multifaceted crisis, worsened by a deteriorating economy and the lingering effects of over a year of intensified conflict.

The extensive damage and reduction of vital services are further increasing the vulnerability of the Lebanese populace, along with refugees and migrants throughout the country. As of January 15, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) reported that 871,859 individuals displaced within Lebanon have returned to their cadasters of origin. According to IOM, 113,578 people remain displaced outside their original areas, reflecting a 2 percent decrease since January 8th, 2025. Meanwhile, national and local authorities estimate that approximately 87,000 individuals, both Lebanese and Syrian, have arrived from Syria since December 8th, 2025 reported by UNHCR.

The recent election of Joseph Aoun as Lebanon's new president on January 9 has sparked a sense of hope for stability in Lebanon and the Middle East. This development marks the end of a two-year political vacuum that saw the country under a caretaker government. The announcement of Lebanon's presidential elections came in late November, coinciding with the start of a 60-day ceasefire. The election followed a prolonged political deadlock, with 13 failed attempts to elect a president. Aoun's election is seen as a potential turning point for Lebanon, raising expectations for renewed governance and stability in the region.





### UPDATES ON SAMS ACTIVITIES IN LEBANON

### December 14 - 28, 2024 Updates

SAMS continues to operate five mobile medical units (MMUs) 5 effectively, addressing critical health and social needs through various services. These include medical consultations, provision of medications and public health awareness sessions, general protection, and psychoeducation initiatives, as well as focused sessions on gender-based violence (GBV) and sexual abuse awareness.

From December 14 to December 28, 2024, SAMS and its partners made significant strides in reaching communities across various locations, including Beirut, Hasbaya, Kfarhim, Baalbak, and Al Nabatieh. In total, 1,663 beneficiaries were served during this period.

Among these, 926 individuals received medical consultations from general practitioners, while 278 participated in public health awareness sessions. The programs also provided support to 257 beneficiaries through general protection and psycho-education services, alongside 202 individuals who attended awareness sessions focused on protection and psycho-education Specifically, the reach breakdown included 673 beneficiaries in Beirut, Hasbaya, and Kfarhim, and 607 beneficiaries in Baalbak and Al Nabatieh. Additionally, SAMS directly reached 383 beneficiaries through various services in central Bekaa through the provision of essential health interventions offered by its MMU.





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## **DECEMBER IMPACT**





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### UPDATES ON SAMS ACTIVITIES IN LEBANON

### January 1 - 16, 2025 Updates

From January 1 to 16, SAMS, in collaboration with its partners in Beirut, Hasbaya, and Kfarhim, successfully reached 2,652 beneficiaries. This outreach included 1,517 individuals who received medical consultations. Additionally, 543 beneficiaries participated in public health awareness sessions, while 240 individuals were engaged in general protection and psycho-education awareness sessions. Furthermore, 352 beneficiaries took part in awareness sessions focused on gender-based violence and sexual abuse. These efforts reflect a significant commitment to improving health and safety within the community.

During this outreach period, the demographic breakdown of the beneficiaries revealed that 86% were Lebanese, 13% were Syrian, and 1% identified as Palestinian or from other nationalities. Regarding gender distribution, there were 850 female and 667 male beneficiaries, indicating that 56% were female while 44% were male. This data underscores the diverse and inclusive nature of the support provided to the community.

In the outreach efforts conducted at the Medrar MMU in the South and Al Nabatieh, as well as the INMAA MMU in Baalbak, 1,615 beneficiaries were reached. This included 633 beneficiaries who received medical consultations from a general practitioner at Medrar MMU and 425 at INMAA MMU. Additionally, 136 individuals participated in public health awareness sessions at Medrar MMU, while 73 attended similar sessions at INMAA MMU. The programs also offered general protection and psycho-education awareness sessions, reaching 128 beneficiaries at Medrar MMU and 38 at INMAA MMU. Furthermore, 128 individuals participated in gender-based violence and sexual abuse awareness sessions at Medrar MMU alongside 54 participants from INMAA MMU. Notably, all beneficiaries were Lebanese.





### UPDATES ON SAMS ACTIVITIES IN LEBANON

In terms of gender distribution, there were 360 female beneficiaries and 273 male beneficiaries, indicating that 57% were female and 43% were male. The age categories of the beneficiaries included 27 infants (0-2 years old), 78 children (3-12 years old), 61 adolescents (13-17 years old), 89 young adults (18-24 years old), 201 adults (25-49 years old), and 177 seniors (50 years and older). This comprehensive outreach reflects the commitment to addressing the health and well-being of the local population across various demographics.

From January 1 to 16, a total of 4,267 beneficiaries were reached through various outreach efforts. This included 752 individuals who participated in public health awareness sessions, highlighting the importance of health education within the community. Additionally, 534 beneficiaries received support through gender-based violence (GBV) and sexual abuse awareness sessions, aimed at promoting safety and awareness. Furthermore, 406 individuals engaged in general protection and psychoeducation awareness sessions, which are crucial for mental health and social support. Lastly, 2,575 beneficiaries received medical consultations from general practitioners, ensuring access to essential healthcare services. These figures collectively demonstrate a comprehensive approach to addressing the diverse needs of the community during this period.







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## JANUARY IMPACT

#### **Breakdown of medical services:**



**4,267** total beneficiaries

2,575 beneficiaries received medical consultations

752 participants in public health awareness sessions

**534 participants** engaged in gender-based violence (GBV) and sexual abuse awareness sessions

**406 participants** in general protection and psychoeducation awareness sessions



# **2,652** total beneficiaries

#### Outreach in Beirut, Hasbaya, and Kfarhim:

1,517 received medical consultations

**543** participated in public health awareness sessions

**240** attended general protection and psychoeducation awareness sessions

**352** engaged in GBV and sexual abuse awareness sessions

#### **Demographics:**

#### By nationality:

86% Lebanese
13% Syrian
1% Palestinian/other



### By gender:

(850 INDIVIDUALS)





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## **JANUARY IMPACT**



1,615 total beneficiaries

### **Outreach at Medrar MMU (South & Al** Nabatieh) and INMAA MMU (Baalbak):

#### By Service Type (Medrar MMU):

- 633 medical consultations
- **136** participated in public health awareness sessions
- 128 engaged in general protection and psychoeducation awareness sessions
- **128** participated in GBV and sexual abuse awareness sessions

#### By Service Type (INMAA MMU):

- **425** medical consultations
- **73** participated in public health awareness sessions
- **38** engaged in general protection and psychoeducation awareness sessions
- **54** participated in GBV and sexual abuse awareness sessions

#### **Demographics:**

#### By nationality:

100% Lebanese



#### By gender:

🥼 **57%** female 🔵 🗾 (360 INDIVIDUALS)



#### By age:

- 27 infants (0-2 years)
- 78 children (3–12 vears)
- 61 adolescents (13–17 years)
- 89 young adults (18–24 years)
- 201 adults (25-49 years)
- 177 seniors (50+ years)



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### **IN SYRIA**

In light of the recent surge of Syrian arrivals from Lebanon and internally displaced persons (IDPs) from Aleppo due to heightened conflict, NESMA initiated a Medical Mobile Unit (MMU) on October 16. This unit, which includes a doctor, a nurse, and a data entry officer, offers essential and life-saving primary healthcare support to vulnerable individuals arriving in Northeast Syria. The demographic of those served reflects 55% women and 45% men. Since the beginning of the emergency response, the team has reached 1,095 individuals at Adnaniya Camp for Syrian arrivals from Lebanon, delivering 2,190 healthcare services. The focus has been on critical health interventions and emergency care for those in immediate need. From mid-October to the end of December 2024, 2,117 Syrian returnees were assisted (1,095 from Lebanon and 1,022 from Aleppo). Additionally, it's important to note that this support concluded at the end of December 2024. During this period, the team also reached 1,022 individuals in Raqqa City for Syrian IDPs from Aleppo, providing a total of 2,044 services, with an emphasis on urgent health needs.

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### LOOKING AHEAD AND NEEDS

SAMS is committed to maintaining the operations of five Mobile Medical Units (MMUs) during February and March 2025 alongside the Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) teams in Bekaa. These efforts will be integrated with other health actors under the Primary Health Care (PHC) framework. SAMS will also continue its nationwide Household (HH) Program targeting internally displaced persons (IDPs), refugees, and host communities, with a planned transition from emergency response to recovery.

SAMS will establish static Primary Health Care Centers (PHCC) and an MHPSS center in Bekaa to enhance healthcare services. A Damage Need Assessment of affected health facilities will inform rehabilitation efforts. Additionally, SAMS aims to revitalize Lebanon's health system through medical missions and education initiatives, prioritizing resource mobilization to secure funding for a comprehensive recovery response plan in 2025.







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