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## HIJRA AMINA

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### FLASH REPORT



*“MoMD is one of the main pillars appointed by the Government to provide assistance to IDP families. As the displacement has spread through Iraq in a short time span, this has caused major challenges in the provision of adequate services to beneficiaries. The Ministry has managed to overcome challenges by establishing camps and continues to ensure assistance by coordinating closely with other Ministries.” - Extract from group presentation on reporting to the media*

## Achieving a coordinated emergency response: HIJRA AMINA expands the MoMD's base of capacities

The EU funded HIJRA AMINA programme makes headway in further enhancing capacities within the Ministry of Migration and Displacement (MoMD) with another successful event held in Baghdad from 28th to 30th April. As HIJRA AMINA continues to delve into the capacity building needs of the Republic of Iraq's central migration management authority, it is responding efficiently to some of the fundamental training priorities highlighted by MoMD.

The 3 day training on 'Skills Development for Enhanced Migration Management', brought together 22 officials of MoMD from a wide spectrum of experience, both at the level of administration and field operations, including the Minister's Office, Deputies' Offices, Migration Affairs Directorate, Branches Affairs Directorate, IT and Research Directorate, Administration and Finance Directorate and Planning Directorate. The diversity of the group

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*“Building on recommendations jointly formulated with MoMD senior management and endorsed by H.E. Mr. Jasim Mohammed, Minister of MoMD, HIJRA AMINA continues to reinvent itself to address, more meaningfully, specific capacity needs of our Government in the migration crisis response”*  
**- Dr. Gudrun Kroner, Head of Liaison and Programmes, IOM Iraq, Baghdad**





*During the training, MoMD branch officials related their personal experiences to the session on interpersonal skills:*

*“An IDP turned up at a cash grant distribution to claim his grant and became furious when he was told that he is not on the list. I let him vent out his anger and when he became calmer, I accompanied him to the legal unit where he received advisory services on how to obtain the necessary legal documents to be eligible for the programme.”*

*“An IDP erupted into my office demanding to receive assistance and flaring up more as he had not seen his name in any distribution roster. I was aware that in fact the IDP had not registered himself and to attempt to calm him down, I made a search by using several of his ID credentials. As the search remained fruitless, he admitted that he had indeed not registered himself and I immediately guided him to the relevant unit to do so.”*

demonstrated the extent and range of the Ministry’s reach in providing services to those most affected by the migration crisis.

The training’s presentations were animated with the experiences of the audience, and were combined with practical activities in communication, coordination, reporting, monitoring and evaluation; all of which culminated into a beneficiary centric approach. This approach prompted spontaneous interactions and, once again HIJRA AMINA offered an opportunity for the active protagonists of the response to reinforce their ability to handle the massive flow of vulnerable populations.

The audience comprised over 60% of female representation; a clear indication that gender is a major consideration and is thus positively embedded in MoMD’s response to the crisis. The female participants contributed greatly to promoting the significance of interpersonal skills and upholding a compassionate disposition toward day-to-day tasks, which are all the more critical for handling the humanitarian predicaments found in Iraq.

The knowledge and skills development at the central focus of the training are the foundational components of a highly functioning institution and will contribute to greater overall efficiency of MoMD, not only in the wake of the current migration crisis, but also in addressing future challenges.

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