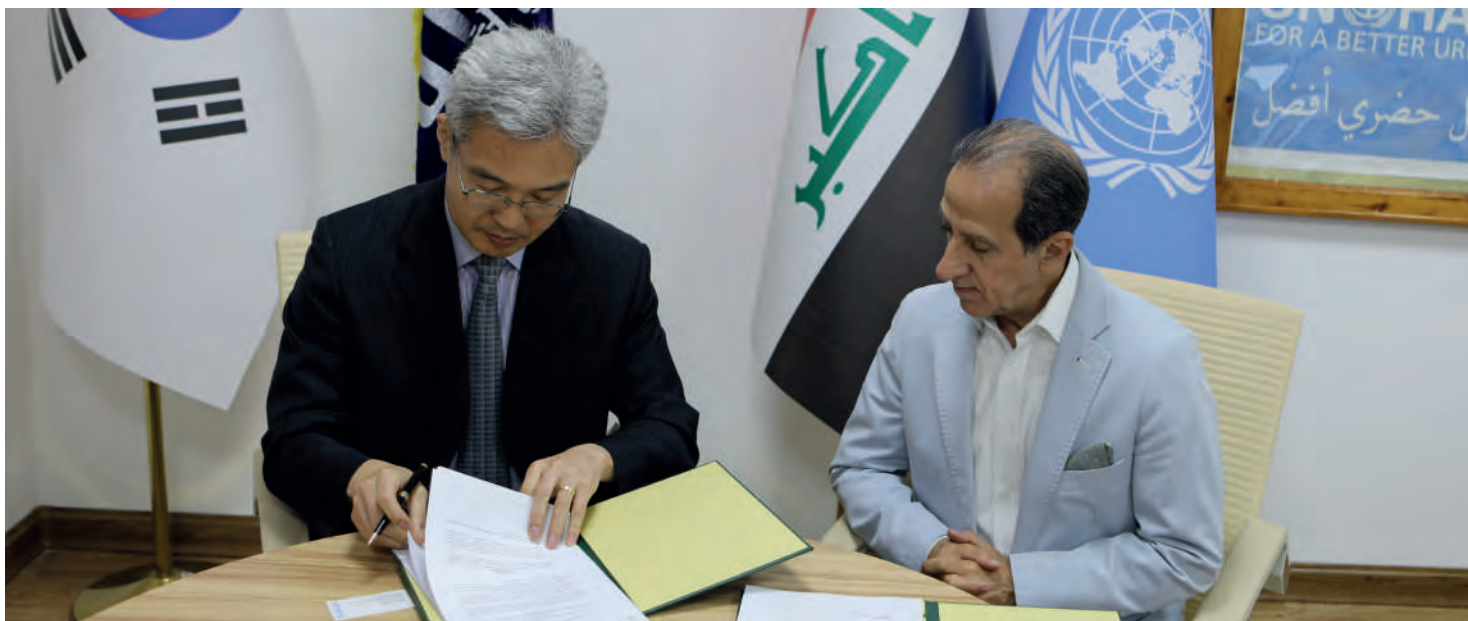


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**UN-Habitat welcomes partnership with KOICA to launch new programme for vulnerable returnees**



UN-Habitat Iraq welcomes the contribution of USD 6 million from the Korean Government through the Korea International Cooperation Agency Office in Iraq. The two-year programme aims to facilitate the sustainable returns of vulnerable displaced population to Sinjar by supporting their housing, land and property rights and improvement of living conditions. Further, the programme aims to directly support 55,800 vulnerable populations in Sinjar by improving access to dignified housing, securing land tenure and improving living conditions and access to basic services and livelihoods.

**Training on Housing Land and Property Conflict Mediation delivered in Mosul**

The Mosul Old City team completed the delivery of a five day intensive training course on Housing, Land and Property Conflict Mediation. The course, held by an international expert and funded by UNESCO as part of its flagship programme "Revive the Spirit of Mosul", was attended by 20 men and women interested in learning tools and good practices that will help them to analyse conflicts and mediate between disputing parties, whether neighbours or family members.

**UN-Habitat launches new initiative to enhance local revenue collection in 5 cities**

The local area development team has recently launched a new initiative to enhance Local Revenue Generation in 5 Iraqi cities in partnership with UN-Habitat's Planning Finance and Economy Section in HQ. The initiative, funded by the European Union, will entail the application of the ROSRA tool, the drafting of policy briefs and the delivery of technical assistance for the piloting of selected activities.



## UN-Habitat commences planning work to devise an exclusive garden for women in Tel Afar

Following a participatory consultation on community needs in the conflict-affected city of Tel Afar, UN-Habitat has partnered with a local NGO to realise a garden exclusively for women and girls that will also offer vocational training and job opportunities funded by the European Union for vulnerable and unemployed women during the planned construction activities.



## 100 graduates of vocational training engaged in Cash-for-Work in Sinjar

UN-Habitat is currently implementing Cash-for-Work activity in Sinjar within the component of vocational training in partnership with Peace Winds Japan under the project titled Emergency Support to Returnees in Iraq after the outbreak of COVID-19 funded by the Government of Japan. All of 100 graduates of the vocational training, including 40 females are engaged in such as masonry, electric wiring and whitewashing which are linked to the other ongoing components of rehabilitation and reconstruction of damaged houses under the same project. The activity is not just supporting the community, but also supporting the apprentices to demonstrate their acquired skills and for the future employment opportunities.



## Specialists attend workshop for Iraq Forum for Sustainable Development

Within the framework of joint cooperation between the Ministry of Planning and the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), a technical training workshop was held for a period of five days in Erbil (5-9 June 2022) on managing and updating the "Iraq Forum for Sustainable Development" platform, with the participation of specialists from the Ministry of Planning on information technology and media. The project, which was funded by the Iraq UNDAF Trust Fund, highlights the achievements made towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals by providing a web platform that interacts with citizens and government institutions, including public and private universities, civil society organizations and international community institutions. The Forum can be accessed via the link: <https://iqforum.mop.gov.iq>. The mobile application can also be downloaded through Google play and Apple store.

## UN-Habitat hands over houses to beneficiaries in Sinjar and Tel Afar

Under the EU-funded project, "Support for Urban Recovery and Peacebuilding in Western Ninewa," UN-Habitat completed and handed over 15 core-house units in Tel Qasab, Sinjar District and 13 core-house units in Ayadiah, Tel Afar District, targeting 244 beneficiaries.



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