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 in **28** COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

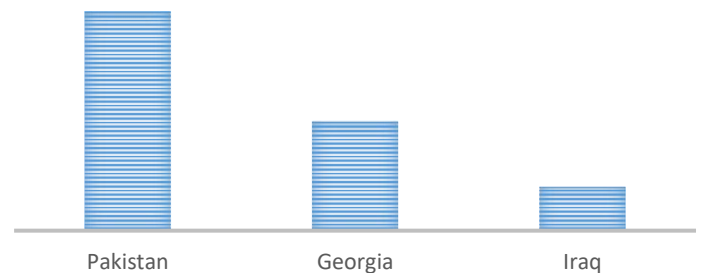
TYPES OF ASSISTANCE IN KIND



In **June 2018**, 29 returnees (24 male and 5 female) were benefited from reintegration assistance in kind. They were nationals of Pakistan, Iraq, Georgia and Iran.

The most preferred reintegration activities were: dairy farms, mini markets and construction services.

TOP COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN



2,084
MALE

454
FEMALE

1,577
VULNERABLE CASES

5,547 referrals by registration unit

5,030 reintegration counselling interviews

2,565 approved reintegration plans in Country of Origin


 back home

0 km from home



“My bond with Greece started years ago, in 1987, when I first came from India. Back then I was young, 32 years old, and I came to Greece to find a job and support my family financially. I used to have a good life in India, a decent job, a sufficient income. However, my siblings were struggling financially, so I decided to come to Greece and help through sending them money.

I used to be one of the best electricians in Athens and I had a good source of income. Things were different back then, since there were better job conditions. I worked really hard, I built a lot of houses, I made Greek friends and as a result, I managed to support my family. However, the reality was that my family was away from me. My initial plan was to stay in Greece for a short period of time, but since my family needs were increasing, I decided to stay for more than 30 years.

Few months ago, I started thinking of my wife, our children, our dog, our jokes. I have missed all these little everyday things and I am looking forward to relive them!

Three months ago, I had an accident and I was hospitalized in the public hospital of Heraklion, a big city on the island of Crete. I was feeling really weak and I was afraid for my life and my future. So, I decided to return to my family. The International Organization for Migration (IOM) organized everything. They issued my travel documents, I was provided with a special escort from Crete to India and through the Reintegration Assistance I will be able to do all the necessary medical exams on time.

IOM not only gave me the opportunity to see my family again, but I will manage through the in-kind reintegration assistance to enhance my fragile health condition. A new life has just started for me”.