

Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

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# 2017 Results and Release

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ESCWA released its ICP results on December 10, 2020.

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The release was in the form of a comprehensive and interactive ICP webpage: “[www.icp.unescwa.com](http://www.icp.unescwa.com)”.

## ICP Webpage

A summary report with global and regional highlights

A comprehensive regional report including:

- An introduction of the ICP and its data requirements
- A description of the ICP in the Arab region
- PPP uses, especially in SDGs
- A description of the 2017 ICP results
- Country profiles
- Tables of ICP results for the years 2011 to 2017 in terms of US Dollars
- Tables of ICP results for the years 2011 to 2019 in terms of Omani Rials
- A summary of the computation methodology

## ICP Webpage (cont'd)



Interactive charts,  
tables and animations



Country testimonials



Informative and  
descriptive videos



A link to ESCWA's ICP  
database



An innovative  
interactive online PPP  
converter

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ESCWA also made a press release of the ICP results.

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ESCWA and The World Bank developed a joint blog entitled “The ICP in Western Asia: turning the spotlight on Arab economies”.



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# 2021 Cycle

# Country Participation

Bahrain	Egypt	Iraq	Jordan	Kuwait	Lebanon
Morocco	Oman	Palestine	Qatar	Saudi Arabia	Sudan
	Syria	Tunisia	UAE	Yemen	



# Survey Implementation Status

Data Collection Timetable for 2021

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
<b>Household Consumption</b> <i>(quarterly)</i>		<i>Collection of Q1 data</i>		<i>Collection of Q2 data</i>			<i>Collection of Q3 data</i>			<i>Collection of Q4 data</i>		
<b>Rentals</b> <i>(semi-annual)</i>						<i>Collection of H1 data</i>						<i>Collection of H2 data</i>
<b>Private Education</b> <i>(annual)</i>										<i>Collection of 2021 data</i>		
<b>Government Compensation</b> <i>(annual)</i>					<i>Collection of 2021 data</i>							
<b>Constuction</b> <i>(annual)</i>									<i>Collection of 2021 data</i>			
<b>Machinery &amp; Equipment</b> <i>(annual)</i>										<i>Collection of 2021 data</i>		

## Survey Implementation Status (cont'd)

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The same survey schedule followed each cycle will also be followed in the 2021 cycle.

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*However, Syria and Yemen planned to join the 2021 cycle after its launch and thus still need to receive training before starting data collection.*

# Survey on Implementation Status of the 2021 Cycle

We conducted a survey to assess Arab countries' readiness and the status of their participation in the 2021 ICP cycle

Responses were received from 13 out of 14 countries

Two countries reported that the launch of the 2021 cycle was not successful at the national level

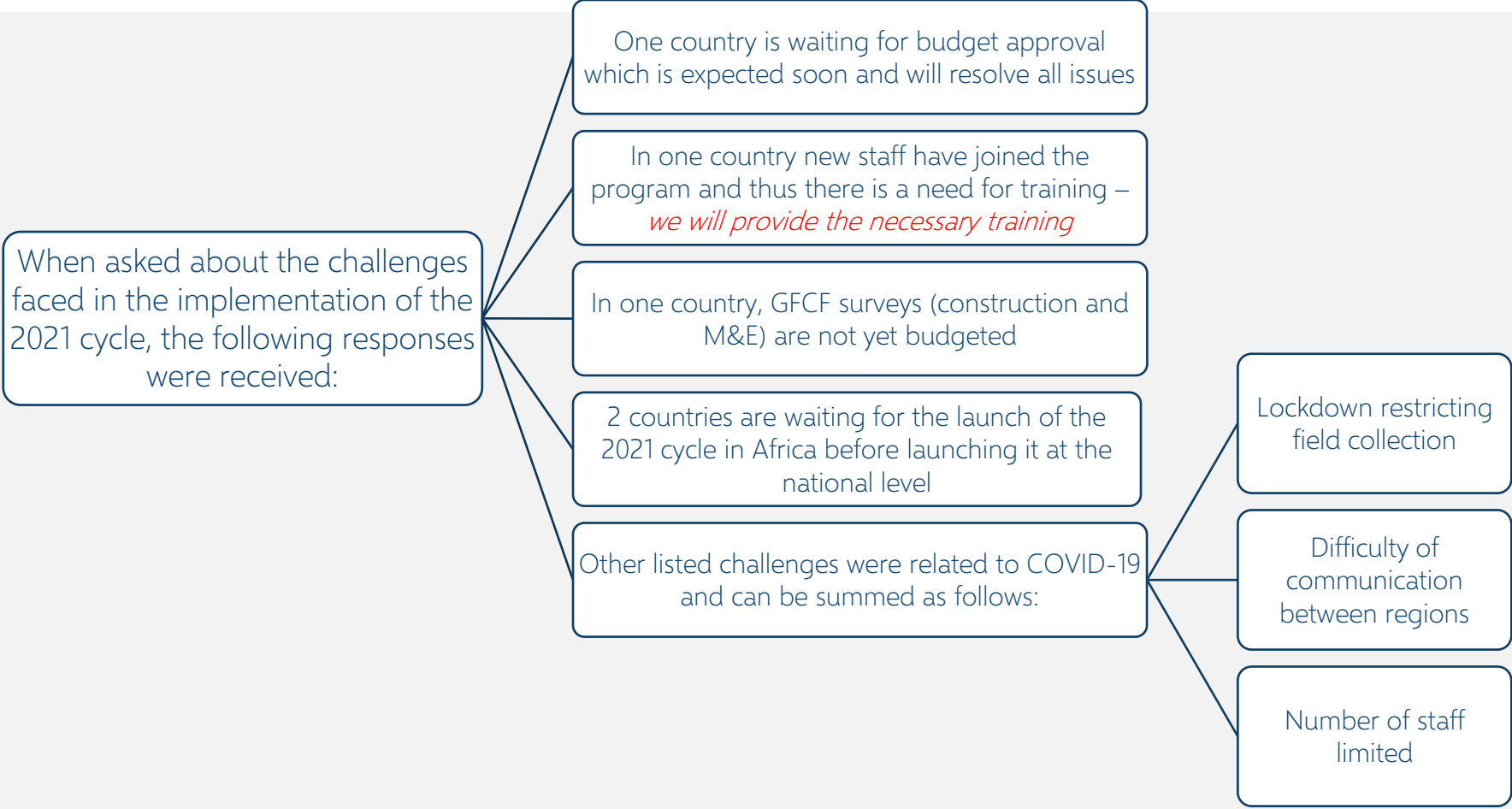
All other respondents have made the necessary preparations for the implementation of ICP activities in terms of resources and operations

9 out of the 13 respondent countries collected HHC prices in Q1 2021.

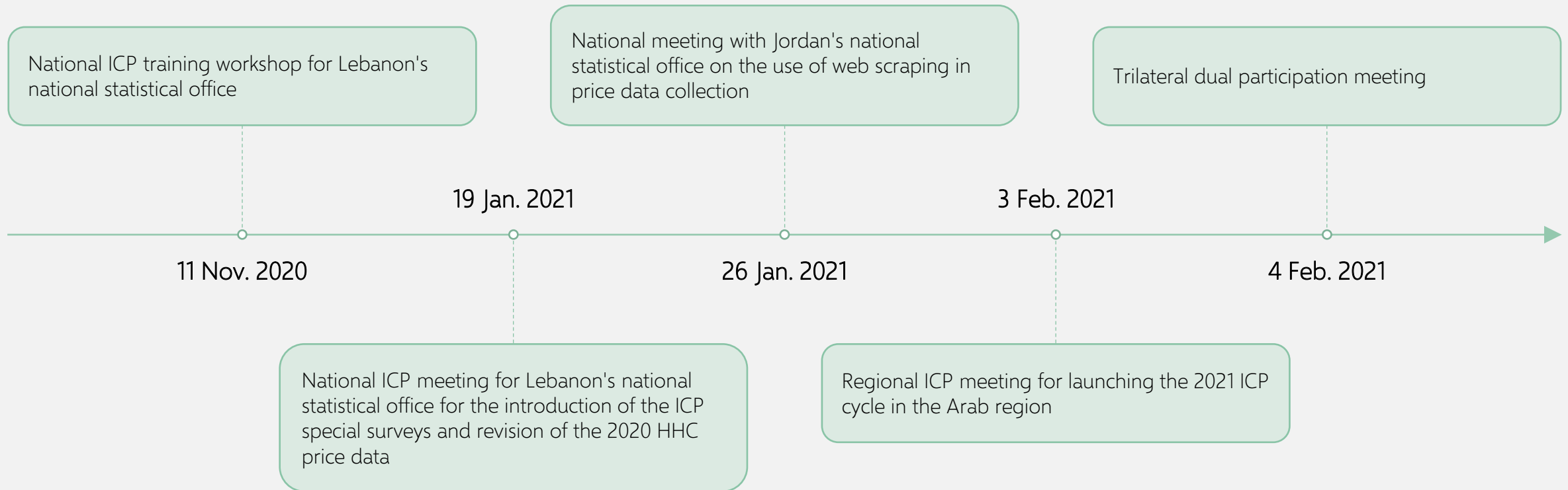
# Status of HHC collection for Q1 2021

Bahrain	Egypt	Iraq	Jordan	Kuwait	Lebanon
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# Challenges faced in the implementation of ICP activities



# Recent Workshops and Meetings



# Funding Status



We've been maximizing the utilization of the humble funding ESCWA received for the implementation of the 2017 cycle; however, it is already almost depleted



Efforts need to be made to secure funding from any potential sources; We had hopes to have partial funding for the 2021 cycle through UNDA, but unfortunately even the UNDA resources seem to be very limited and scarce



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Thank You