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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**DELIVERY OF HUMANITARIAN AID HAS STARTED**

**AT THE SYRIAN BORDER ZERO POINT**

Having regard to the difficulties in extending humanitarian assistance to the northern parts of Syria due to the rising violence in these regions, Turkey, in accordance with the international law, has started delivering humanitarian aid at the Syrian border zero point under the coordination of AFAD. The Government has notified the United Nations, and the Turkish Red Crescent has informed its interlocutors in respect of the operation.

The locally provided assistance is accepted at four Relief Reception Centers established by the Turkish Red Crescent in Kilis (Oncupinar), in Gaziantep (Karkamis) and in Hatay (Cilvegozu and Yayladagi).

International assistance will be received at the Center established at Gaziantep Airport.

The list of items which will be accepted is indicated below. Items other than those contained in the list are not required at this stage.

**We respectfully inform the public.**

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**THE ITEMS WHICH WILL BE ACCEPTED**

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| **NO** | **GROUP** | **ITEM** |  |
| 1 | **FOOD ITEMS** | Food ratio (Dry food packages) |  |
| 2 | Canned food |  |
| 3 | Baby food |  |
| 4 | **SHELTER ITEMS** | Blanket |  |
| 5 | Foam mattress |  |
| 6 | **HYGIENIC ITEMS** | Sanitary pad |  |
| 7 | Diapers |  |
| 8 | Shampoo |  |
| 9 | Liquid soap |  |
| 10 | Bathing soap |  |
| 11 | Dish soap |  |
| 12 | Dish sponge |  |
| 13 | Tooth paste |  |
| 14 | Tooth brush |  |
| 15 | Washing powder |  |
| 16 | Bleacher |  |
| **NOTE: The food and hygienic items without production and expiry dates and expired items will not be accepted.**  |  |
| **THE ITEMS IN THE PACKAGES CURRENTLY BEING DELIVERED** |
| **S.NO** | **MALZEMENİN CİNSİ** | **UNIT** | **QUANTITY** |
| 1 | Dry beans 2 kg.  | KG | 2.00 |
| 2 | Chickpea 1 kg. | KG | 1.00 |
| 3 | Wheat 2.5 kg. | KG | 2.50 |
| 4 | Rice 2.5 kg. | KG | 2.50 |
| 5 | Flour 5 kg. | KG | 5.00 |
| 6 | Granulated sugar 5 kg. | KG | 5.00 |
| 7 | Macaroni 4 kg. | KG | 4.00 |
| 8 | Salt 750 gr. | KG | 0.75 |
|  | **TOTAL** |  | **22.75** |

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