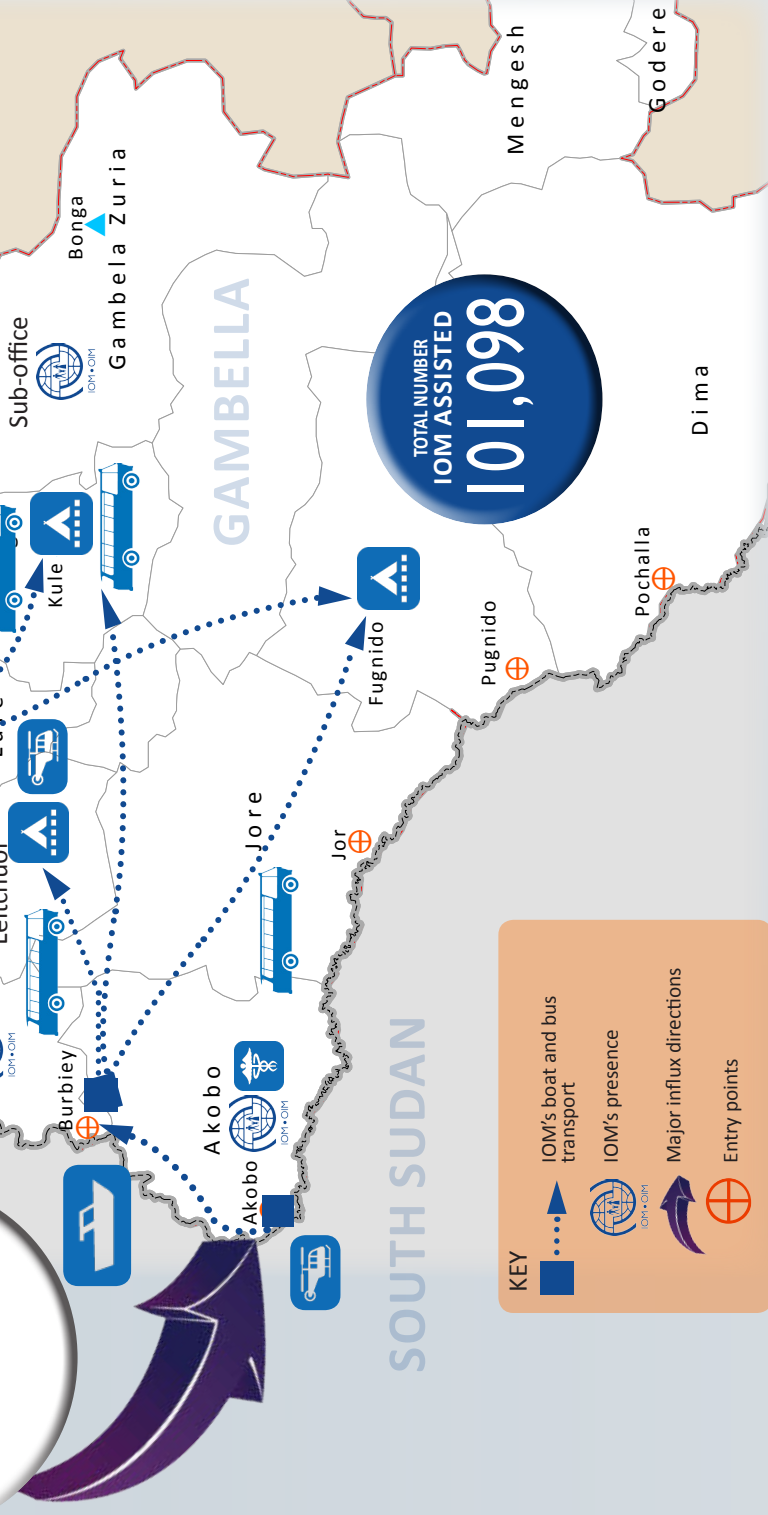
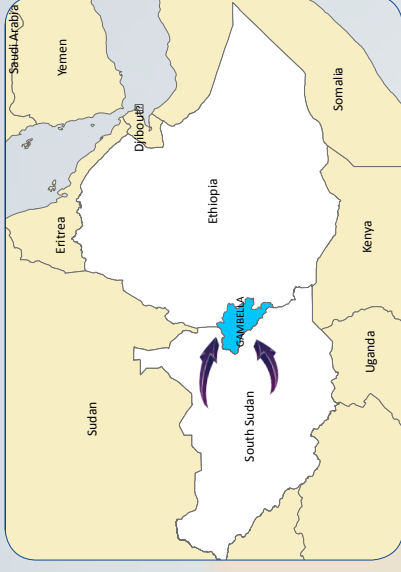


INFO-GRAPHICS GAMBELLA REGION:

IOM's South Sudan Refugee Relocation 12 May, 2014

TOTAL UNHCR REGISTERED
REFUGEES FROM S.SUDAN

110,632

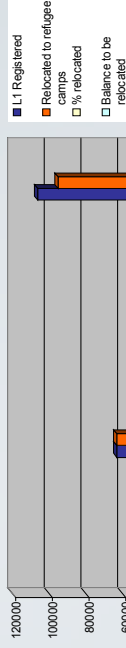


KEY

- IOM's boat and bus transport
- IOM's presence
- Major influx directions
- Entry points

110,632

TOTAL ARRIVALS/ REGISTERED/ RELOCATED



TRANSPORTATION AND MEDICAL CHECK UP



IOM assigned 40 buses and 10 boats, to relocate the refugees from entry points to camps. IOM has assigned doctors and nurses to conduct Pre-embarkation Medical Check before departure.

BACKGROUND

UNHCR has registered a total of 110,632 South Sudanese asylum seekers which have arrived in Gambella, Ethiopia mainly through the Pagak and Akobo-Tergol border points since the influx began on 16 December according to UNHCR. IOM has relocated a total of 101,098 refugees to Fugnido, Leitchuor, Bonga and Kule camps as of 12 May, 2014. Majority of arrivals are women and children (70%), with children making up 70% of this group. New arrivals are relocated from the border entry points Pagak and Akobo to Leitchuor Camp, by IOM boats and buses. IOM medical team is conducting the Pre-Departure Medical Screening (PDMS) at the entry points.

IOM GAMBELLA SOUTH SUDANESE MOVEMENTS 2014 - 12 MAY, 2014

TRAVEL ROUTES														Total		
DATE	GMB-FGN	GMB-BNG	GMB-ITNG	AKB-BRB-ITNG	AKB-ITNG (Helicopter)	AKB-FGN (Helicopter)	AKB-KUL	LTR-FGN	BNG-FND	BNG-ITNG	BRB-KLE	MTR-LTR	PGK-LTR	PGK-FGN	PGK-KLE	Total Transported (by month)
JANUARY	108	30										2,279	140			2,557
FEBRUARY	-	-										3,080	11,466	76		17,204
MARCH	-	50											8,038	96	24,675	43,750
APRIL	-	227			340	2	1,572	10	178	33				1,267	14,869	27,002
MAY	41		44		86	5	1,572		16		4,194			2,559	10,585	
TOTALS	149	307	44	21,513	464	7	1,572	10	194	33	4,194	5,359	19,644	1,439	42,103	101,098
	0.1%	0.3%	0%	21.3%	0.5%	0%	1.6%	0%	0.2%	0%	4.1%	5.3%	19.4%	1.4%	41.6%	



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IOM SLO Chief of Mission and Representative to the AU/ECA/IGAD, Mr. Josiah Ogina, visiting Pagak Registration Site
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GENERAL OVERVIEW

More than 120,946 South Sudanese asylum seekers have fled South Sudan to Ethiopia since the outbreak of violence on December 2013. UNHCR has so far registered 110,632 refugees which have arrived in Gambella, Ethiopia mainly through the Pagak and Akobo-Tergol border entry points.

IOM Special Liaison Office (SLO) has relocated a total of 101,098 refugees to Fugnido, Leitchuor, Bonga and Kule refugee camps as of 12 May 2014. The sharp increase in refugees fleeing South Sudan's conflict which started as of last week has continued. An estimated population of 23,000 people have entered Ethiopia since the outbreak of conflict in Nasir on 4 May 2014. This occurred after the government forces captured the rebel strong hold of Nasir in the Greater Upper Nile Region.

UNHCR states that some of these refugees are wounded and in urgent need of medical help.

HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ IOM Special Liaison Office (SLO) has relocated a total of 101,098 refugees to Fugnido, Leitchuor, Bonga and Kule refugee camps as of 12 May 2014.
- ◆ An estimated population of 23,000 people have entered Ethiopia since the outbreak of conflict in Nasir on 4 May 2014.
- ◆ Relocation of new arrivals by IOM from Akobo to Kule and Fugnido has been temporarily disrupted for two days (12-13 May) due to heavy rain.



Refugees boarding IOM bus from Pagak entry point to refugee camp
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Relocation of new arrivals by IOM from Akobo to Kule, and Fugnido has been disrupted for two days (12-13 May) due to heavy rain which prevented bus movement from Burbiey to Matar. As the roads dried up on Wednesday, however, IOM buses have increased the number of movement from an average of 700 per day to 950 to compensate for the two days where movement was impossible. As more rain is likely to pour and the road from Burbiey to Matar might eventually prove to be difficult for buses, IOM is planning to change the boats docking point from Burbiey Matar or Itang instead.

Starting from end of April 2014, Leitchuor camp has surpassed its capacity; thus, the new refugees are relocated to Kule refugee camp. However, the Kule refugee camp, which lies some 250 km to the East is also fast approaching its capacity of 40,000 refugees, and a new camp is being established nearby to accommodate another 30,000 people.

The IOM Akobo boat movement is ongoing with an average of 500 refugees transported everyday.

The WFP/UNHCR food drops and airlifts have also continued. The air-lifts are conducted from Tergol to Nyinyang —Leithchuor. Individuals previously judged not fit to travel by boat/road are being transported via helicopter. So far, 433 individuals have been relocated by helicopter.

Challenges and positive development

- Long boat rides (10 hours) continue to be a challenge to relocate asylum seekers with poor physical conditions.
- Fishermen nets along the river and water hyacinth also continue to disrupt the smooth river transportation.

- 40 buses and 10 boats are being used to relocate the asylum seekers. Unavailability of fuel has added to the challenges.
- Heavy rains have made relocation of refugees from Burbiey challenging.

Camps

Leitchuor camp which had an initial capacity of 40,000 has already surpassed the limit and new arrivals are now relocated to Kule camp from Akobo and Burbiey entry points respectively. However, Kule Camp is also nearing its capacity.

Women and Children

Following the recent South Sudanese government takeover of Nasir, increasingly men are also fleeing into Ethiopia. Currently, the number of woman and children account to 70% of the total refugees.

Pre-departure Health Assessment

- IOM SLO's Health Unit is coordinating with Ministry of Health, WHO, UNHCR, UNFPA, IFRC, UNICEF, IMC, ARRA, ACF, MSF-F as well as regional hospitals.

Partnerships and Coordination

- IOM closely collaborates with ARRA, UNHCR and humanitarian partners on the ground to respond to this emergency. IOM has received funding from UNOCHA–CERF and UNHCR and is under discussion with other donors.

Valuable support from:

- Ethiopian Government
- UNHCR
- CERF



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