

## KEY FIGURES

**45,629**

Asylum seekers received since influx began in December 2013.

**2,777**

UAMS in Kakuma Camp.

**12**

New SGBV cases reported during the week

**16**

SGBV survivors that UNHCR has assisted

**15.69**

Litres of water provided per person per day in Kakuma.

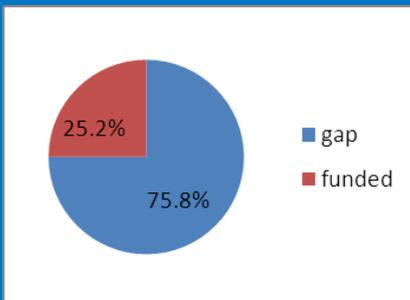
**7,115**

Number of roofed durable shelters in Kakuma 4.

## FUNDING

**USD 36.5 MILLION**

Requested for the operation



## PRIORITIES

- Monitor trends of daily new arrivals and their unhindered access to asylum.
- Assessment of shelter needs of vulnerable households
- Maintenance of flood mitigating structures during rainy season.

## KENYA

### KAKUMA OPERATIONAL UPDATE

27 MARCH – 09 APRIL 2015

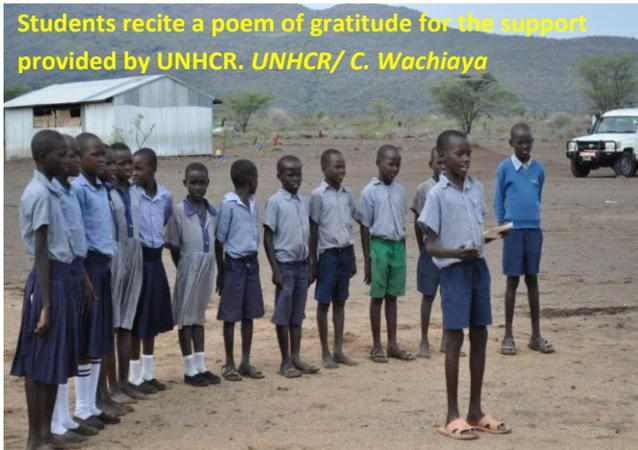
## HIGHLIGHTS

- As at 9 April 2015, Kakuma had received 45,629 asylum seekers from South Sudan. As at 6 April, 181,978 refugees had been registered by UNHCR and DRA, with South Sudanese making up 49.9% of the registered population.
- On 27 March, a fire occurred in Kakuma 1 destroying 11 houses and affecting 8 households (28 individuals). UNHCR provided a water boozier to assist the police in putting out the fire. The blaze is said to have been caused by an unattended fire left by a resident who was burning trash. Some flames were blown by strong winds into the affected compounds. The HSO visited the site to assess the damage and assured the families of support. The families were provided with various NFIs such as blankets, jerricans, temporary shelters (tents) and kitchen sets.
- On 30 March, the Head of sub-office Kakuma presided over the handing over of a police post to the Officer Commanding Police Division (OCPD) in Kakuma 4. The police post which was funded by UNHCR was constructed by the National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK) which implements shelter and infrastructure projects in the camp. The police post will greatly benefit the residents who already gain from the increased patrols and police presence in the area. The Head of sub-office thanked the OCPD for the continued collaboration and maintenance of general safety in the camp.



- From 01 to 02 April, UNHCR handed over eight projects funded for the host community in various locations in the sub-county to the communities. The projects which were implemented in 2014 by LOKADO (a local NGO) were at a total cost of 464,390 USD. The projects had been pre-identified by the local leadership in consultation with their communities and included classrooms, toilet blocks, a water kiosk, boreholes, a dormitory and desks. The HSO

reiterated UNHCR's gratitude to the host community for the generous and continued hospitality extended to refugees for over two decades.



Students recite a poem of gratitude for the support provided by UNHCR. UNHCR/ C. Wachiaya



The HSO hands over keys to a classroom block to the local MCA and students. UNHCR/ C. Wachiaya

## UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

### Operational Context

- UNHCR conducts border monitoring visits to Nadapal three days a week (every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday) with the aim of ensuring that asylum seekers received at the border have unhindered access to asylum and are treated humanely.
- The trend of daily new arrivals has remained low; on average less than 100 people are received per week. In the past two weeks, 135 new arrivals were received. Lutheran World Federation (LWF) manages the centre and has staff based there to receive arrivals and provide them with hot meals and accommodation. IRC has staff who go to the border at least once a week to conduct health and nutrition screening for children and women. UNHCR has maintained a weekly convoy to the border to pick new arrivals who stay at the transit centre for an average of one week. The trend continues to be monitored closely for any possible upsurge
- Issues of visa charges at the border by Immigration officials continue to pose a challenge to unhindered access to asylum seekers, despite the prima-facie status conferred on them by the Kenya Government. Discussions have been ongoing between the Immigration Office in Nairobi, UNHCR, the Department of Refugee Affairs and the Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK) to address the matter

### Achievements

#### Protection

##### Child Protection

- As at 1 April 2015, 1,250 new UAMS and 6,970 separated children had arrived in Kakuma since December 2013. Since then to date, 1,202 UAMs including 835 South Sudanese UAMs and 5,323 separated children have been registered, bringing the cumulative number of registered UAMs in Kakuma to 2,779 and 12,340 separated children.

##### Achievements and Impact

- In the reporting week, the BID panel which comprises of representatives from UNHCR Resettlement and Protection Units, District Children's Office (DCO), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Kenya Red Cross and RCK conducted a total of 4 BID assessments. At the reception center and in the community, 14 BIAs were carried out.

- 188 home visits were carried out to 2,238 children living in either foster care arrangement or in child headed households for purposes of monitoring and assessment of their living conditions. Children with specific protection concerns were also assessed.
- UNHCR co-facilitated training for Child Protection staff with LWF and UNICEF from 23 to 28 March. 30 National staff and 99 incentive staff (child protection and youth development) attended the training in Lokichoggio on Case Management and Child Protection Information Management System (CPIMS).

### SGBV

Twelve SGBV cases were reported during the reporting period (1 case of defilement, 3 cases of rape, 4 physical assaults and 4 emotional abuse cases). All reported cases of sexual violence received medical treatment to arrest possible infection of any STI's and documentation to assist in further legal processes. Psychological counseling was provided to all survivors to help address their traumatic experiences.

### Achievements and Impact

- UNHCR supported 16 GBV survivors during the week with cash assistance and other material assistance such as sanitary wear, clothes and mattresses. A further 283 beneficiaries were assessed by NCKK caseworkers during home visits and approved for further assistance in the coming weeks.
- UNHCR continued to facilitate the door to door campaign through IRC and FilmAid where messages were disseminated on various ways that women and girls can be empowered to reduce risk of sexual and gender based violence.

## Education

### Achievements and Impact

- The Skype in the Classroom Project which is supported by UNHCR and Microsoft and implemented by FilmAid International has been initiated. The project will be piloted in five primary schools and 10 teachers will be trained on how to use Skype in the classroom. The project will be used as a tool that provides a platform for connecting classrooms in Kakuma with global resources and contacts that can assist in enriching educational programmes within the camp.
- UNHCR has identified resources to enable the implementation of the School Meals Programme (SMP) from 1 May 2015 in all secondary schools in the camp. About 4,000 secondary school students will benefit from the SMP. As the schools have already closed for the April holiday break, UNHCR and implementing partners will use this break to procure the necessary supplies in time for the resumption of the programme.
- Malakal Primary school in Kakuma 2 was reopened on 31 March to decongest surrounding schools. 800 learners were drawn from the surrounding congested schools and transferred to Malakal which had been closed in late 2014 for repairs. UNHCR donated textbooks and other learning materials from WWEP (World Wide Education Project) to the learners. The opening of the school has alleviated the serious congestion challenges in neighbouring schools. UNHCR plans to construct additional six classrooms in the school to increase its capacity.



## Health

The general health status of refugees remained stable during the week with mortality indicators remaining within Sphere/UNHCR standards. The trend of watery diarrhea has shown a slight increase as compared to the past three weeks while the trend for malaria has shown some improvement. UNHCR and IRC continue to closely monitor the trend of the diseases.

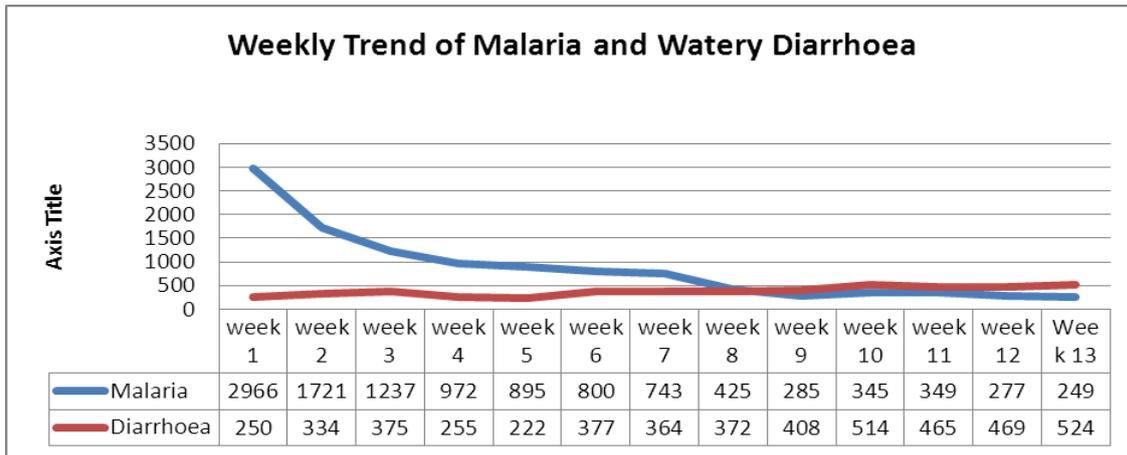


Fig1: Weekly trends of new malaria and watery diarrhoea cases

## Food Security and Nutrition

- During the reporting week, as at 29 March, 13 newly arrived children aged 6-59 months were screened for malnutrition at the reception centre. Among these, 2 had severe acute malnutrition (15.4%) while none was found with moderate acute malnutrition.

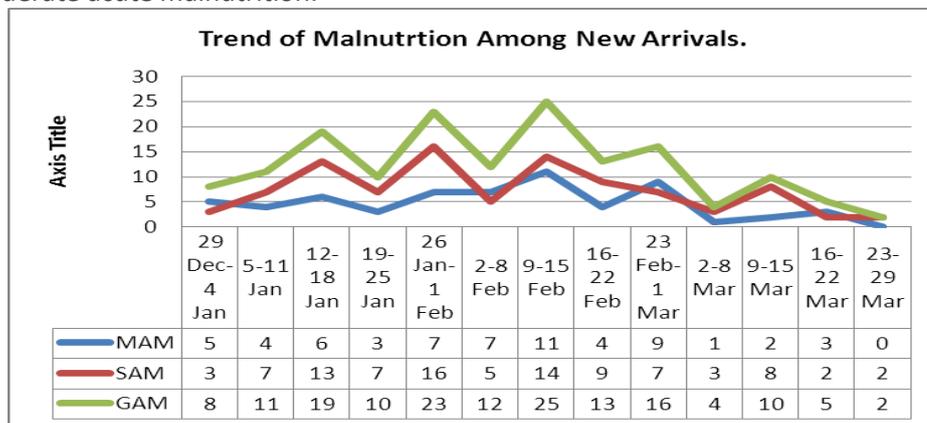
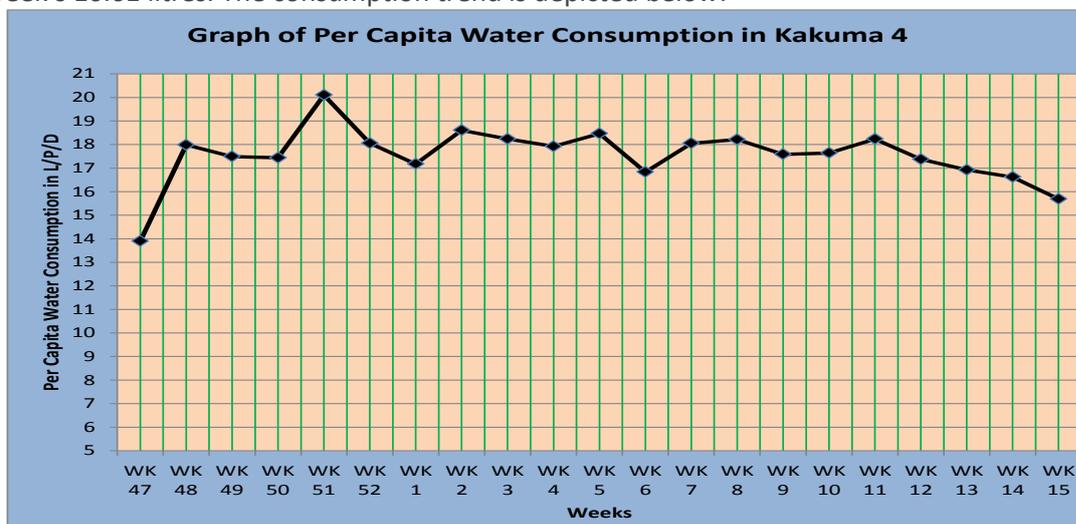


Fig.2: Trend of malnutrition among new arrivals (6-59months).

## Water and Sanitation

The total amount of water supplied to residents in Kakuma 4 during the reporting week was 5,421m<sup>3</sup>. This translated to per capita water distribution of 15.69 litres per person per day, which is a reduction from the previous week's 16.61 litres. The consumption trend is depicted below:



### Achievements and Impact

- A total of 53 latrines (21 family shared and 32 household) were constructed in Kakuma 4 during the reporting period, bringing the latrine to user ratio to 1:15 for both family shared and household latrines. Coverage currently stands at 33.9% for both family shared and household latrine categories and 14.5% coverage for household latrines only.
- 13 water samples were collected from the 13 operational boreholes for water quality analysis. The analysis will be conducted at the National Water Laboratory in Nairobi. Other routine maintenance of the water system and water quality monitoring was carried out during the reporting period.
- An assessment was carried out to determine the water situation in Kakuma 4 Zone 2 Block 6. A 200m pipeline extension has been completed by NRC to the host community bordering the camp. This is aimed at ensuring peaceful co-existence between the refugees and the host community.

### Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- The reduction in water supply during the reporting period is due to intermittent water supply on three occasions (3 days) during the recent rains. Additionally, despite the connection and operation of the new borehole 4B, the water pressure in Kakuma 4 has improved but due to lack of enough storage capacity, the per capita has not improved. However, with procurement of an additional 100m<sup>3</sup> steel tank and continued maintenance of the water system, the per capita distribution should improve in the coming weeks.



### Shelter and NFIs

- Kakuma has been overstretched by over 56,000 refugees and progress has been made after extensive consultations between UNHCR, DRA, the County Government and the host community for new land. UNHCR has been informed by DRA that the final draft of the Memorandum of Agreement for the new land has been presented to the Governor's office for his endorsement.

### Working in partnership

- UNHCR continues to work closely with the Central and County Governments, DRA and other partners to ensure protection and wellbeing of refugees and asylum seekers. Bi-monthly Inter-Agency meetings continue to be held as well as monthly meetings with refugee leaders from the entire camp.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total recorded contributions for the emergency operation amount to **US\$ 9.2 million** representing **25.2%** of the requested funding.

UNHCR is grateful for the critical support provided by donors who have contributed to this operation as well as those who have contributed to UNHCR programmes with un-earmarked and broadly earmarked funds.

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