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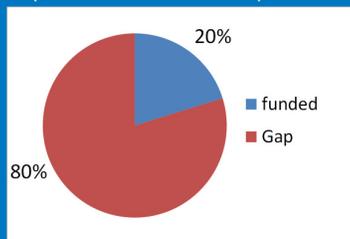
209,510

UNHCR PoC for the situation

FUNDING

USD 153.2m

requested for the UNHCR operation



PRIORITIES

- The Gambella refugee operation focused on improvement of protection and the delivery of multi-sectorial services in Jewi Refugee camp while also continuing to provide care and maintenance to other refugee camps and responding to new arrivals. It also followed up with ARRA on the approval of Pugnido II site to be developed to a camp.

ETHIOPIA

UNHCR ETHIOPIA: SOUTH SUDAN SITUATION OPERATIONAL UPDATE

13-19 June 2015

HIGHLIGHTS

- South Sudanese refugees continue to arrive in Gambella at a daily average rate of 103 people. Akobo, Pagak and Pochalla are the main crossing points.
- The total number of new arrivals from South Sudan since 15 December 2013 is now 209,510, including 206,375 in Gambella and 3,135 in the Benishangul-Gumuz Region near Assosa. 90% of the adult population are women and children and 19,339 are unaccompanied/separated children. As at the reporting period, the cumulative figure of the South Sudanese refugee population in Ethiopia reached 273,794, including 64,282 refugees that were in country pre-December 2013.
- The Regional Government in Gambella gave the approval for Pugnido II to be developed into a refugee camp to receive newly arriving South Sudanese refugees as well as those already in the reception centers. UNHCR and ARRA will soon start developing the new site which is located some 4km away from the older Pugnido camp.
- Of the 5,855 new arrivals at the Pagak reception center, 3,939 people have completed Level 1 registration and are awaiting relocation to a camp while the remaining 1,916 individuals are awaiting level 1 registration. All have benefitted from food distribution which will soon be followed by distribution of core relief items.
- 1,869 refugees are waiting for Level 1 registration in Akobo Tiergo entry point. UNHCR is undertaking consultation with ARRA for their registration.
- 420 new arrivals, mainly Anuaks, were registered in Pugnido.
- A Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (BPRM) Mission visited the Gambella refugee operation during the reporting period. The mission visited Jewi and Pugnido refugee camps as well as the Pagak entry point and toured key service areas. They also had meetings with UNHCR, Implementing Partners as well as with refugees.
- The Division of International Protection's (DIP) Monitoring & Evaluation team on Safe from the Start (SFS) Project undertook an evaluation mission to Sub-Office Gambella. The mission evaluated the 45 outputs/indicators for the period August 2014 to March 2015. Key indicators such as shelter, health, nutrition, livelihoods, capacity building, among others, were evaluated.
- A total of 13,464 of the refugees relocated from Leitchuor have been verified in Jewi camp and were all issued with new ration cards and the Proof of Registration.

Population of concern

A total of **209,510** people of concern

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

- The total number of South Sudanese refugees who have entered Ethiopia since the outbreak of the conflict in mid-December 2013 is now 209,510 individuals, with continued arrivals witnessed through Pagak, Akobo and Pochalla entry points. Including 64,282 who were in the country before December 2013, the cumulative number of South Sudanese refugees in Ethiopia stands at 273,794. The focus of the Gambella operation was on improvement of the protection and the delivery of multi-sectorial services in Jewi Refugee camp while also continuing to provide care and maintenance to other refugee camps and responding to new arrivals. It also followed up with ARRA on the approval of Pugnido II site to be developed to a camp.

Achievements

Protection

Achievements and Impact

- Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) referral pathways have been established in Jewi camp (including prevention, reporting, medical response, and legal response/access to justice).
- In Pugnido camp Save the Children International (SCI) was provided with a complete list of all UASC children in the proGres database in order to conduct home to home visits and harmonize the data. The agency has so far registered 2,638 of the 4,681 in the UNHCR database for that camp.
- In Kule camp, Plan International (PI) formalized foster care arrangements for 96 unaccompanied minors through a signed agreement between the child, the foster family and a PI representative; 30 foster parents were selected to participate in training on positive parenting. In addition, PI is conducting block surveys to identify priorities and challenges relating to child protection at block level.
- In Jewi camp, refugees who were residing in the school buildings have moved to their shelters but classes could not start due to lack of teaching materials. UNHCR is addressing the matter with SCI. About 112 students from the same camp sat for the Grade 8 national examination in Gambella town and returned to the camp. More primary schools are needed to accommodate all school-age children in the camp.
- In Kule camp, 984 refugees with disabilities are registered for RaDO's (Rehabilitation and Development Organization) monitoring and intervention project. Seven of them were identified by RaDO for referral to Addis Ababa for fitting of prosthetics.
- 40 (27M, 13F,) Best Interest Assessments (BIAs) were initiated for separated children and unaccompanied minors in Okugo camp; in Pugnido camp, BIAs have been completed for 291 children and family reunification forms processed for 40 children. Meanwhile, the Best Interest Determination (BID) panels in Tierkidi and Kule camps have been established and trained to commence Best Interest Determinations.

Health

Achievements and Impact

- The fourth round of Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV) campaign was successfully completed in all refugee locations including entry points during the reporting period. Based on the target population in each location, the achievement rate was 8,841(87.8%) in Tierkidi; 8,335(90.8%) in Kule; 11,180(76.6%) in Pugnido and 8,776(115.7%) in Jewi camps. Okugo camp has not sent the report yet. For Akula settlement, 279 (90.7%) of refugee children were vaccinated with OPV. In Pagak and Akobo entry points 1,260 and 98 children were vaccinated for OPV respectively.
- Malaria topped the list of morbidities in most refugee locations during the week. UNHCR and partners initiated the distribution of mosquito nets in high risk areas targeting vulnerable groups. Some 180 mosquito nets were distributed in Tierkidi camp during the week.

- In Jewi, Médecins Sans Frontières - France (MSF-F) started providing delivery services in their newly equipped maternity ward. Intensive Treatment Foster Care (ITFC) where severely sick children are being treated also started to fully function in their health center during the reporting period.

Food Security and Nutrition

Achievements and Impact

- A contingency plan on nutrition and food security for an expected influx of about 100,000 refugees was completed during the reporting week.
- Refugees in Pagak entry point continue to receive nutrition assistance. A total of 210 (60 OTP and 150 TSFP) cases are enrolled in Outpatient Therapeutic feeding Program (OTP) and Supplementary feeding program (SFP). In the BSFP program 162 children under-five and 31 pregnant and lactating women are enrolled.
- Community Management of Acute Malnutrition (CMAM) services are ongoing at nutrition centres. The number of children under five years currently under Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) is 2,667 (610 Jewi, 827 Tierkidi, 670 Kule and 560 in Pugnido camps); a total of 206 new cases were admitted in the Supplementary Feeding Program (SFP). The number of children under five years with Severe Acute Malnutrition at 893 (209 Jewi, 241 Tierkidi, 241 Kule and 202 Pugnido camps); a total of 127 new SAM cases were admitted in the Outpatient Therapeutic Feeding Program (OTP).
- Targeted Blanket Supplementary Feeding Program (BSFP) services are being provided for children under five years and pregnant and lactating women in the camps and transit centers. A total of 40,622 children under-five years are enrolled (9,194 Jewi, 14,263 Tierkidi, 14,078 Kule and 3087 Pugnido camps); 591 new cases were admitted in the BSFP during the week. A total 10,339 pregnant and lactating women are also enrolled (1,311 Jewi, 3,624 Tierkidi, 3,677 Kule and 2,227 Pugnido camps); 335 new cases were admitted in the BSFP.
- UNHCR/WFP/ARRA hosted a PRM mission. The mission visited Jewi and Pugnido camps and the Pagak entry point. Donor feedback denoted the need to redesign the food security and livelihoods programme to ensure self-reliance and as well the need to consider provision of complementary food in addition to the current food basket. The food security working group will design a standard operating procedure (SOP) for Food security and livelihoods in line with UNHCR and WFP guidelines.
- WFP completed the baseline survey for its new Protracted Relief Refugee Operations (PRRO) project for Gambella region.

Water and Sanitation

Achievements and Impact

- Water treatment and trucking continued in Jewi camp with daily per capita supply of 7.2 litres. Additional three water points were installed in the camp bringing the total to 14. Side by side, design and modelling of a permanent water supply system for Jewi camp has been ongoing, including drilling of a new borehole.
- General environmental cleaning and decommissioning of latrines are going on in the former Leitchuor camp with 120 latrines already decommissioned.
- Preparatory works for privacy provision survey for latrines in Kule camp was completed with the drafting of the checklist based on protection safety audit tools. This activity will help mainstream protection into WASH while increasing latrine usage by women and girls.
- In Tierkidi camp, 26% of the household latrines built in zone D by DRC has been shut off to pave way for structured monitoring of the water levels. The affected families are currently sharing with immediate neighbors as solutions are being sought.
- In Pagak, with the current production of 30,000 litres of water from the motorized borehole, the population at the entry point receive an average of 6 litres per person per day and this is further augmented by a couple of hand pumps.
- AlPagak transit centre, 2,684, 61% of whom women and children participated in a hand-washing campaign as part of the coordinated work to break the water-related disease transmission route. This activity is gaining popularity as a result of social workers.
- Ten T95 Oxfam-type tanks were delivered to Itang. However the contractor is waiting for a short dry spell to access the central storage site to resume construction works where 8 of 10 tanks will be installed.

- Jerry can cleaning campaign was undertaken at 16 water points in Okugo camp.

Camp Coordination and Camp Management

Achievements and Impact

- In Tierkidi and Kule camps, UNHCR and NRC undertook a joint monitoring visit to discuss the way forward to finalize road works and the maintenance of the damaged sections of road within the camps.
- In Jewi camp, plot demarcation is in progress and a total of 538 plots were demarcated during the reporting week. So far approximately 80% of usable land has been demarcated.
- In Jewi camp, NRC started road construction. About 1.2 km of the 6.0 km of the main road has been graded.



Shelter

Achievements and Impact

- In Kule Refugee Camp, NRC completed 2,580 (87%) of the planned 2,970 transitional shelters while IOM completed 1,490 (69%) of the planned 2,150 transitional shelters. Construction of the UNHCR office in the camp is at 85%.
- In Tierkidi camp, NRC completed 2,528 (87%) of the planned 2,884 transitional shelters while DRC completed all 835 (100%) transitional shelters as planned. UNHCR office complex construction progress is at 85%.
- In Jewi camp, DRC has constructed 3,000 Emergency Shelters and NRC 2,046 shelters making a total of 5,046 emergency shelters. 2,364 tents were also pitched. 90% of the population in Jewi camp has received emergency shelters while the remaining 10% has been accommodated in communal facilities awaiting plot and emergency shelter allocation.
- In Pugnido camp, NRC completed (60%) 300 of the planned 500 transitional shelters.



Logistics & NFI

Achievements and Impact

- The UNHCR rented helicopter transported 47 passengers this week to some operation areas within Gambella.
- 3,600 litres of diesel fuel was dispatched to Field Office Pugnido.
- 10 units of family tents were released to ARRA.
- 4,140 kgs of plummy nuts were released to Goal Gambella.
- 3,185 sleeping mats, 3,185 fleece blankets; 3,185 semi-collapsible Jerry cans; 5,229 laundry soap; and 3,000 mosquito nets were dispatched to Pagak for distribution to new arrivals.
- 280 units of family tents were received from Melkadida warehouse.

Working in partnership

- UNHCR continues to coordinate the refugee response in Gambella and a number of donors and partners continue to visit the operation. In Addis Ababa, the Refugee Task Force remains an important coordination body.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total recorded contributions for the UNHCR operation amount to some **US\$ 31 million**, against **US\$ 153.2 million** requested for the situation, which is **20% funded** as at 19 May. 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 unearmarked and broadly earmarked funds.

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