

KEY FIGURES

172,411*

South Sudanese refugees have been received in Uganda since the onset of the influx (As of 24 November)

Further breakdown of the above figure:

104,857

Refugees received in Adjumani

18,117

Refugees received in Arua

41,544

Refugees received in Kiryandongo

145

Refugees received in Kyangwali

52

Refugees received in Nakivale

7,696

Urban refugees received in Kampala

**statistics are provided by the Government of Uganda Office of the Prime Minister*

PRIORITIES

- Refugee Population verification exercise is underway in Adjumani and is almost concluded in Arua and Kobo district.
- Preparedness for increased refugee influxes in light of the situation in South Sudan.
- Relocation of new arrivals from Lamwo district to Nymanji Transit Centre.

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UPDATE FOR THE SOUTH SUDAN EMERGENCY

27 November-10 December, 2015

HIGHLIGHTS

- OPM stopped registration of South Sudanese new arrivals because of the on-going refugee verification process. The registration and relocation process will start after completion of refugee verification. UNHCR is consulting with OPM to find a way of running both processes in parallel.
- A total of 1282 refugees arrived from South Sudan from Elegu and Kuluba collection points, between 27 November-08 December, almost twice the number reported previously (758 refugees). The sharp rise in the refugee influx has been attributed to clashes reported between state security forces and local rebel groups in different parts of the South Sudan, which forced many people to flee. New arrivals also cite hunger and inadequate humanitarian support as other factors influencing their flight. The inflow of new South Sudanese arrivals is currently unpredictable because of sporadic armed and tribal clashes.
- Another 266 South Sudanese refugees crossed into Uganda through two new border entry points in Lamwo district on Wednesday (Dec 09) and yesterday (Thursday Dec 10). The majority of the refugees were women and children. This is the first time an influx of this nature has been reported at these locations, about 12 kms from the Apiriti Immigration Point with Kitgum as the closest town (1 hour away). The border crossings are six hours away from UNHCR and OPM's field office in Pakelle/Adjumani.
- Upon their arrival, the refugees were sheltered in the market structure at the Apiriti Immigration point. UNICEF visited the location on 9 December and a WFP team from Gulu was also mobilized to provide additional assistance to the refugees in the form of high protein biscuits and water. Yesterday (10 December), UNHCR and OPM sent a mission with two trucks to the location. The team held consultations with district authorities, who gave permission to transport the refugees to Nyumanzi TC in Adjumani district. The transport is scheduled for today (11 December).



New arrivals being received at Ocea Reception Centre. © UNHCR / Ejoyi G

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

- In Adjumani, Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) airlines successfully conducted a test flight in Adjumani Airstrip. UNHCR is supporting the rehabilitation of the Adjumani Airstrip.
- In Adjumani, UNHCR, Office of the Prime Minister (OPM) and Danish Refugee Council (DRC) relocated some 228 individuals from Nyumanji Transit Centre to Nyumanji and Boroli settlements. There are currently 2466 new arrivals staying at Nyumanji Transit Center, which has the capacity to accommodate up to 4000 refugees.

Protection

- In Adjumani, DRC organized a three-day refresher training for 26 paralegal community-based workers. They were trained in communication skills, taken through the court structure in Uganda, criminal and civil procedures. The Adjumani Court magistrate was invited to speak to the participants, who were taken through different sections of a court and their functions. After the training, they are expected to be equipped enough to handle minor disputes at the local level and refer other cases, which need legal intervention, to necessary institutions with ease.

Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV)

- UNHCR, OPM and partners have been observing *'16 Days of Activism against Gender Based Violence'* by organizing different activities in refugee settlements of Adjumani and Arua districts involving people from both refugee and host communities. The activities include raising awareness on the importance of education and SGBV through cultural and sports events. In Adjumani, the campaign was officially launched in Maaji settlement while in Arua, it was held at Ocea Primary School where over 100 people attended. OPM, UNHCR and partners attended the campaign launches. Education was resounded as the key to a violence-free society. Emphasis was also placed on family responsibility in creating peaceful homes. *'16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence'* is a global campaign observed from 25 November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, to 10 December, Human Rights Day, to galvanize action to end violence against women and girls around the world.

Child protection

- In Adjumani, in an effort to support children at risk, the Lutheran World Federation supported 42 women foster caregivers with one-off cash grants in Boroli settlement to enable them provide basic needs and other household items in their families for improved livelihood.
- In Arua, there are currently 236 unaccompanied minors and 426 separated children under foster care arrangement by DRC with regular supervision from UNHCR/OPM. The willing care takers are asked to commit to take entire responsibility of ensuring the children's physical, emotional, social and economic protection as they would do for their own children.

Education

- In Adjumani, Windle Trust Uganda (WTU) in conjunction with Gulu Primary School supported 27 pupils attending special needs education with transport back to the settlements. These children were studying in boarding school in Gulu and were returning home after closure of school term.
- In Arua, WTU conducted a one-day training for members of Parents Teachers' Association (PTA) and School Management Committees (SMC) of eight primary schools on their roles and responsibilities, composition, term of office, removal from office and importance of school development plans. Some 64 participants attended the training facilitated by two district inspectors of schools. The facilitators urged participants to take the training seriously in order to improve quality of education in their schools.



Health

- In Arua, Medical Teams International (MTI) carried out cervical cancer screening and family planning camps in the four health facilities of Ocea, Olujobo, Siripi and Odobu. Of the 1010 women screened for cervical cancer, 51 were found positive. The positive cases and those with other gynecological conditions were referred to Arua Regional Referral Hospital for further treatment. Some 356 women were enrolled on different types of family planning.



Food Security and Nutrition

- In Adjumani, WFP carried out general food distribution in all the refugee settlements according to the XI-XII cycles schedule. The schedule, which should have been completed earlier, was s adjusted to avoid overlaps with the on-going physical verification exercise.
- The food security and nutrition survey in Rhino Camp, Adjumani and Koboko that started on 02 November was concluded on 30 November and the data is being analyzed. The data collection was carried out by a team of enumerators from OPM, MTI, Arua, Adjumani, and Koboko District Local Governments, Concern World Wide, WFP, UNHCR and refugees. The objectives of the survey was largely to measure refugee and host population households food security, malnutrition among children aged 6-59 months, anaemia in children aged six months – 59 months and in women of child-bearing age.



Water and Sanitation

- In Adjumani, the average water coverage is 19 l/p/d against UNHCR standard of 20l/p/d. The highest coverage is 31 l/p/d in Oliji. The lowest is 10 l/p/d in Ayilo II where ground water availability is limited. More numbers of boreholes are being drilled in Maaji as the number of settlement population grows.
- In Arua, with the completion of mini-piped water system in Wanyange, the average portable water supply across Rhino camp rose to 19.5 l/p/d. Malteser International completed the water project in Wanyange. Earlier the average water supply was 19 l/p/d.



Community Empowerment, Self-Reliance and Environment

- In Adjumani, 990 energy saving stoves were distributed to refugees in Ayilo 1, Baratuku and Boroli settlements. A rapid survey indicated that about 90% of the recipients were using the stoves and reported wood fuel saving as compared to the traditional three-stoves.

Working in partnership

UNHCR and OPM work in partnership with:

Kiryandongo refugee settlement

Government partners: OPM, Kiryandongo District Local Government (KDLG) and the Uganda Police Force.

Humanitarian partners: Action Contre la Faim (ACF), Concern Worldwide (CWW), AIRD, Inter-Aid Uganda (IAU), International Rescue Committee (IRC), Real Medicine Foundation (RMF), Samaritan's Purse (SP), Transcultural Psychosocial Organization Uganda (TPO), UNICEF, UNWFP, Save the Children International (SCI), Feed the Hungry, Windle Trust Uganda (WTU), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Uganda Red Cross Society (URCS), Africa Development Corps (ADC) and War Child Canada.

West Nile

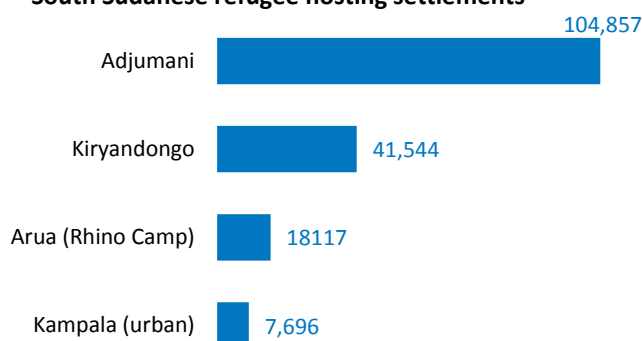
Government partners in all locations: OPM, Adjumani, Arua and Koboko DLG authorities, various technical departments, and Uganda Police Force.

Adjumani humanitarian partners: AAH-U, ACF, ACORD, ADRA, Welthungerhilfe (WHH)/Concern Worldwide(CWW) as Alliance 2015, Baylor, Caritas, Catholic Relief Services (CRS), DRC-DDG, HelpAge International, IOM, LWF, Marie Stopes, MSF-F, MTI, OXFAM, PLAN International Uganda, SCiU, UNFPA, UNICEF, URCS/ICRC, TPO, War Child Canada, WFP, WHO, WTI and WVI.

Arua humanitarian partners: ACAV, ADRA, AIRD, Care International, Caritas, Concern World Wide, International Aid Services (IAS), IOM, DRC-DDG, Global Refuge International (GRI), KATO, Malteser international, MTI, NRC, Oxfam, SCiU, URCS/ICRC, Touch Africa, WTI, War Child Canada, WFP, Rice and UNICEF.

BASIC DATA VISUALIZATION:

South Sudanese refugee hosting settlements

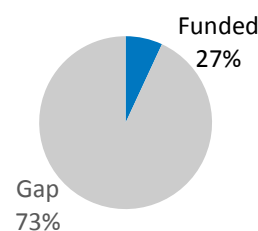
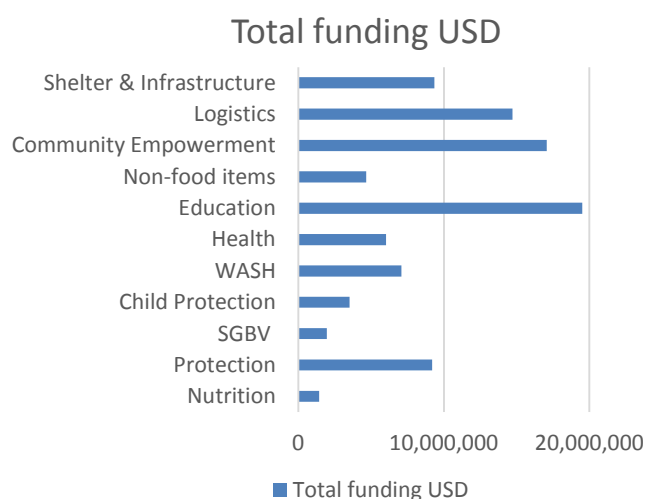


2015 Interagency South Sudan Regional Refugee Response Plan - Uganda needs: USD 99,447,420



Funded 27 %

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