

KEY FIGURES

49,337

South Sudanese refugees received since December 2013.

2,341

UAMS in Kakuma Camp.

433

Newly arrived children immunized at reception centre

23

Litres of water provided per person during reporting period

7,500

Number of roofed durable shelters for new arrivals

FUNDING

USD 18.9 MILLION

Requested for the operation

PRIORITIES

- Monitor trends of new arrivals
- Maintenance of water network to ensure improved supply
- Close monitoring of malaria and watery diarrhea trends
- Follow up on contractors' and mobilization of resources for Kalobeiyei

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KAKUMA OPERATIONAL UPDATE

13 - 31 JANUARY 2016

HIGHLIGHTS

- As at 31 January 2016, Kakuma had received and registered 49,337 asylum seekers from South Sudan. This brings the total registered camp population to 185,984 with South Sudanese making up 50% (94,287) of the population.
- On 25 January, UNHCR in collaboration with partners kicked off a refresher training of multifunctional teams, sectors leads and refugee leaders on the Participatory assessments which took place from 28 January to 02 February. The assessments as forms of structured dialogue continue to serve as the best forum to gather information about protection risks, identify the root causes and explore community capacities to resolve those risks.
- From 26 to 29 January, a joint mission comprised of humanitarian and private sector organizations was in Kakuma. The delegation from the World Bank, UN-HABITAT, United Nations OCHA, Equity Bank Kenya, World Vision International, World Vision Kenya and MasterCard International were in Kakuma to identify business opportunities for refugees and local businessmen and also come up with innovative solutions for the new Kalobeyei settlement. The mission met with the technical ministry lines in Lodwar before holding several thematic discussions with the Deputy Sub-county Commissioner, UNHCR, partners, refugee and host community business people.
- On 31 January a high level delegation from the International Olympic Committee led by the Deputy Director General, Olympic Affairs and President of the National Olympic Committee of Kenya were in Kakuma. The mission's objective was to visit the camp, meet refugee sports men and women and understand how sports activities are carried out. The Deputy DG mentioned that this year's Olympics in Rio will involve refugees and this will be a clear signal to the world on the critical role that refugees play in the society.



The IOC Deputy Director General, Olympic Affairs, Pere Miro, seats next to the UNHCR Head of Kakuma sub-office, Honorine Sommet-Lange and President of the National Olympic Committee of Kenya, Kipchoge Keino, during a meeting with refugee sports men and women in the camp. UNHCR/C. Wachiaya

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

- UNHCR conducts border monitoring visits to Nadapal twice a week to ensure that asylum seekers have unhindered access to asylum and are treated humanely. The border monitoring unit includes staff from UNHCR's Protection & Field Unit, LWF and IRC. IRC sends a medical doctor or nurse at least once a week to carry out initial medical screening. Any emergency cases are transferred to African Inland Church (AIC) Mission or Lopiding Hospital in Lokichoggio or to Kakuma at the main hospital.
- The trend of daily new arrivals has remained low with some 150 people received weekly. In January, 557 South Sudanese arrivals were received through Nadapal Transit Centre. Arrivals stay at the centre for a week where they receive hot meals thrice a day and sleeping facilities. UNHCR facilitates their transportation to the camp at the week end and on any required day, depending on the numbers at the centre.

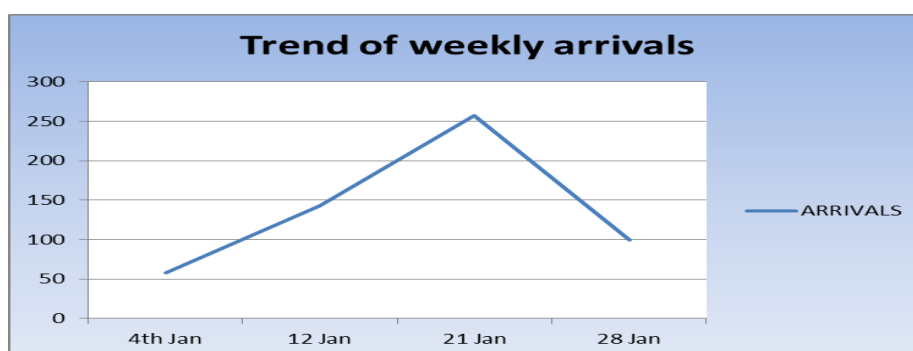


Fig 1: Trend of weekly new arrivals

Achievements

Protection

Achievements and Impact

Registration

- During the reporting period, UNHCR registered a total of 630 South Sudanese refugees. Registration continues for new arrivals transported from the border during the reporting period.

Protection

- The Protection Unit conducted four border monitoring missions to Nadapal to ensure that asylum seekers received at the border had unhindered access to asylum and were treated humanely.
- Charging of visa fees by Immigration officials at the border has reduced – many asylum seekers reported that they were not asked to pay visa fees.

Child Protection

- As at 31 January 2016, there were 2,341* UAMs registered in Kakuma, including 959 South Sudanese and 11,990 separated children including 5,581 South Sudanese who have been registered, assisted and supported. UNHCR Child Protection unit oversaw the submission of these cases for case management, follow up and service delivery by various child protection agencies in the camp.

Health

Achievements and Impact

- The overall health status of the new arrivals and of the pre-existing camp population remained stable. The U-5 mortality rate remained at around 0.2/10,000/day and crude mortality rate at about 0.07/10,000/ day which are with UNHCR and sphere standards.

* Number of registered UAMs has decreased slightly due to some minors turning 18 years old.

- During the period under review, screening of new arrivals for notifiable diseases and immunization continued uninterrupted. A total of 433 children were immunized with BCG, Polio 1, measles, DPT 1, PCV and rota.
- 571 Long Lasting Insecticide Treated Nets (LLITN) were issued according to family sizes and 6 women were screened for pregnancy and referred for ANC care.

Food Security and Nutrition

- During the period under review, a total of 123 children aged 6-59 months were screened by weight for height at the reception centre on arrival in Kakuma, out of which 10 (8.1%) were found with severe acute malnutrition and 14(11.4%) with moderate acute malnutrition. All identified cases of acute malnutrition were enrolled to respective rehabilitation programs.

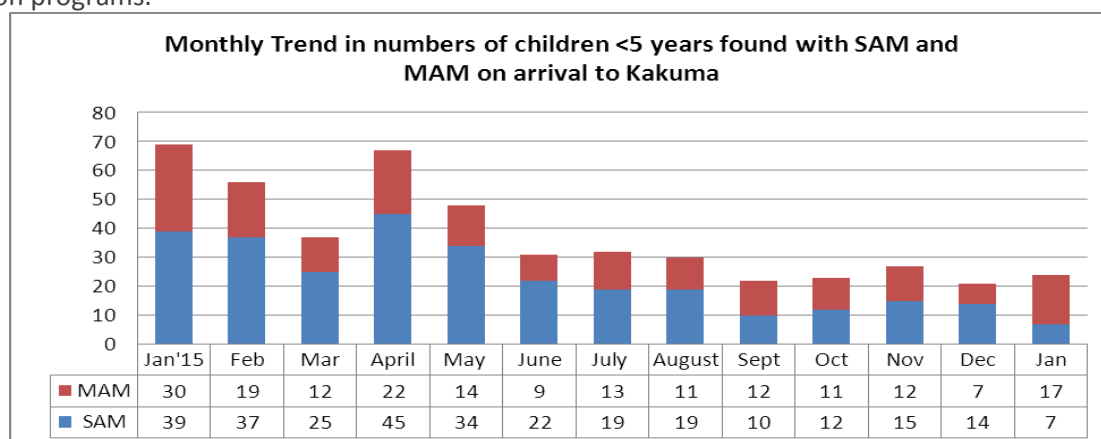


Fig. 2: Trend of malnutrition in newly arrived South Sudanese children (Jan 2015 to Jan 2016)

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- During the reporting period, the number of new admissions into the CMAM programs at clinic 7 in the new arrivals area has increased significantly contributing to over 1/3 of the total caseload in the CMAM programs in the camp. This is mainly due to persistent reduced rations being issued in General food distribution since June 2015, coupled with limited coping mechanism among the new arrivals.

Water and Sanitation

Achievements and Impact

- During the reporting period, per capita water distribution in Kakuma 4 was 23.6l following a cumulative supply of 15,683 m³ of water.

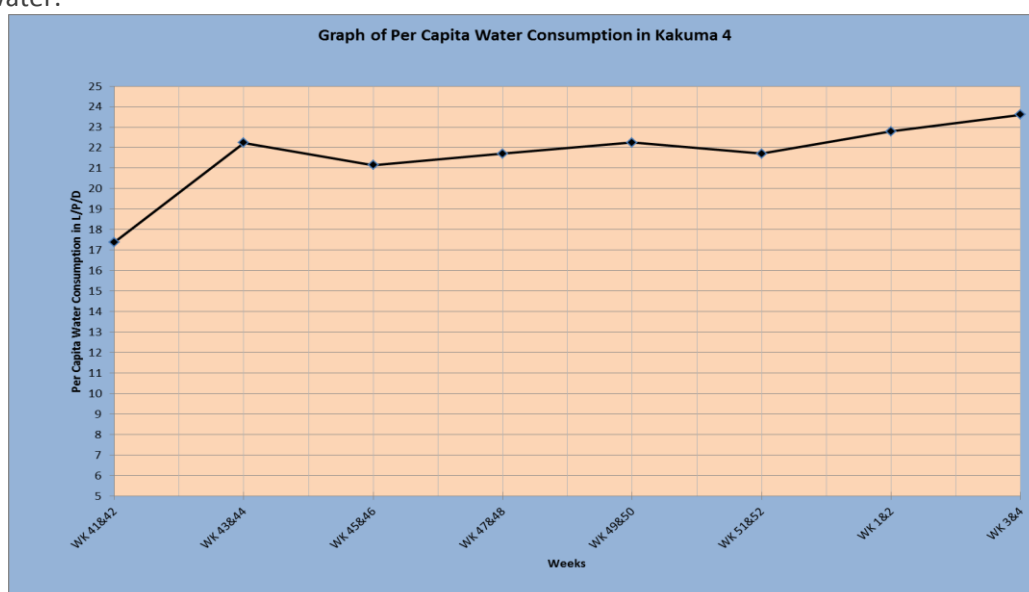


Fig. 3: Per capita water consumption in Kakuma 4

- NRC WASH engineers repaired 10 leakages/burst of various sizes equivalent to replacing 50 m of pipeline and replaced 3 talbot taps. They also monitored PH and chlorine levels from households, tap stands and storage tanks with chlorine residuals varying from 0.8 to 1.0mg/l at tap stands and 0.2 to 0.5mg/l at household level.
- 360 household assessments targeting between 100 - 120 households per week were conducted to provide awareness on proper water collection and storage, malaria prevention and the importance of proper excreta disposal.
- NRC demolished and backfilled 27 family shared latrines which had filled up. 102 water ponds were treated to prevent mosquito breeding.



Kalobeyei Settlement

Achievements and Impact

- Construction of various facilities at Kalobeyei is scheduled to start after the ground breaking ceremony which will be held in February. The first phase of construction will include schools, health posts and grading of access roads. Drilling of four boreholes in the new settlement area has begun.
- Following the joint UNHCR/UN HABITAT mission and UNHCR's discussions with the Governor in the past week, it was mentioned that the settlement plan should be included in the County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP). As such the County site planning committee will work in collaboration with UNHCR site planner to make some adjustments which will be concluded by mid-February.

Working in partnership

- UNHCR continues to work closely with the Government, DRA and other partners to ensure support to refugees and asylum seekers is assured. Monthly Inter-Agency meetings chaired by UNHCR and co-chaired by DRA continue to be held including monthly meetings with refugee representatives in the camp.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total requested funding for the operation amount to **US\$ 18.9 million**

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