



HIGHLIGHTS

250 Sexual and gender violence victims (SGVB)/ survivors receiving psychosocial and medical assistance	50 Cases of SGBV supported legally	8000 People provided with documents	19,478 Households received non-food items (NFIs)	1,300 Returnee families assisted in the reconstruction of their houses / shelters	1,450 Households supported with money to pay the rent	1,765 Households supported by income generating activities (training + Starter Kit)	10,715 Non Food Item kits (NFI) distributed from January 2013
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Population of concern

14,541 refugees in Mali

By country of origin

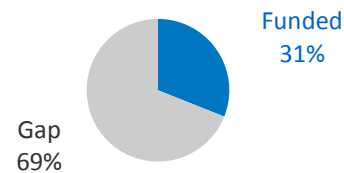
	Total
Mauritania	12 898
Ivory Coast	1 087
Central Africa	249
others	307
Total	14,541

1097 Asylum seekers

126,249 IDPs in Mali

Funding

USD 69,589,103 million requested



UNHCR Presence

Staffing:

71 national staff **26** international staff
07 international UNV **02** consultants.

UNHCR Presence in Mali:

01 Country Office in Bamako; **01** Sub delegation in Gao,
03 Field Offices: Kayes, Mopti and Timbuktu.



WORKING WITH PARTNERS

In close collaboration with the Malian Government, UNHCR coordinates humanitarian and reintegration assistance for IDPs and returnees. In the field, assistance is delivered by UNHCR through 8 partners. UNHCR continued to lead the Protection, Shelter and NFIs clusters within the inter-agency framework and participated in regular inter-agency meetings.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Major developments

- The High Commissioner, Antonio Guterres carried a two-day visit (26 and 27 August 2014) to Mali to review the humanitarian situation and the UNHCR operations in Mali. He was received by the President of the Republic, Ibrahim Boubacar Keita. Antonio Guterres was accompanied by the Director of the Africa Bureau, George Okoth-Obbo. Antonio Guterres travelled to the north, in Timbuktu, where he met with returnees, and promised that UNHCR will strengthen its protection and assistance to returnees.

- From August 23 to 24, the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs had organized the return of 184 households internally displaced persons of Koutiala and Sikasso to northern areas. During the return of IDPs households from Sikasso and Koutiala, UNHCR has supported 100 households with NFI kits. Beneficiaries are of Mopti, Gao, Timbuktu and Kidal. The NFI kit distributed was composed by 3 bed covers, 2 mats, 1 bucket, 1 sheeting, 1 jerry can, 1 kitchen kit and 2 mosquito nets. The Government also offered 25,000 francs XOF per household.

In Mopti, IOM (International Organisation for Migration) distributed 45,000 francs XOF per person for nine vulnerable households identified. In addition, the Social Development also offered 25,000 francs XOF per household for the management of transport.

Agriculture

- The partner STOP SAHEL is implementing the construction of 8 cereal banks for refugees and the population. To date the completion rate of the cereal banks is of 90%. In addition agricultural inputs including seeds of sorghum, cowpea, groundnut; and 53 plows have been distributed to 193 vulnerable households to enable them cultivating increase their resilience.

SGBV

- As part of the prevention and reduction of risks related to SGBV, UNHCR through its partner also organized 8 sessions of talks at 7 sites in Kayes region for 139 people including 103 women, 32 men and 4 girls. The topics of the talks focused on the welfare of women and children access to reproduction health services.

- Two SGBV cases were identified in Mopti. One (Psychological violence) was identified in Tenenkou. Another one (early / forced marriage) identified in Koro. AJM received and advised them. A case of rape by a military helped by his brother on a 15 year old girl occurred in Timbuktu and the victim received assistance and guidance through the partner.

Health

- As part of improving the health status of the population, medical devices (blood pressure monitors, dressing box, treatment table, electric panel) were given to Leya and Sirimoulou health centers in Kayes on August 4, 2014. This will strengthen the technical platform of the 2 centers.

- UNHCR office in Kayes handed two tickets to Mauritanian refugee women, survivors / victims of SGBV to go to community health centers for consultations.

- UNHCR through AAVNU conducted a donation of a tricycle to the mother (Ivorian refugee) of a child who lost the use of her legs. This donation fulfills a need for mobility and provides an opportunity for education of the 7 years young girl who has already lost one academic year.

Social Cohesion

■ In the context of communication and inform persons under UNHCR mandate, partner IEDA led 250 awareness and information sessions in the regions of Segou, Gao and Tombouctou. The sessions focused on "social cohesion in post-crisis period, community infrastructure and prohibition of torture "with the participation of 58 beneficiaries.17 representing 85% chronic patients received nutritional support to help stabilize their health and treatment.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

■ UNHCR through its partner AAVNU launched the income generating activities for urban refugees in the presence of the CNCR, leaders of refugees, and beneficiaries. In total 17 people including 13 women and 1 man received their funding for income generating activities (2,342,750 francs XOF). The projects include hairdressing, tinting cloth material, sewing, and other small businesses.

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