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**is too many.**



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The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) welcomes the contribution of US\$ 7.8 million by the Government of Japan for its activities in Sudan. With the support of the people of Japan, UNHCR will be able to provide protection and assistance to refugees and asylum-seekers, as well as respond to the risk of statelessness.

This contribution will be mainly devoted to respond to the basic needs of over 87,000 asylum-seekers and refugees in East Sudan, in particular to guarantee their access to health care, shelter, water and education services. UNHCR will also be able to assist some 8,000 camp-based refugees in Darfur, as well as an estimated 30,500 refugees in Khartoum.

“The Government of Japan has been a strong and traditional partner to UNHCR in Sudan, and this pledge is extremely timely given the difficult funding environment”, Angela Li Rosi, UNHCR’s acting Representative in Sudan, said. “It will also give us the possibility to fulfil our mandate across the country, including for refugee populations who have been living in a protracted situation. At a time where humanitarian emergencies continue to increase in the region, it is important not to forget that over 160,000 asylum-seekers and refugees have been hosted by the generosity of Sudan, sometimes for decades. Thanks to the Government of Japan, we will be able to continue providing support to these refugees, in cooperation with the Sudanese authorities”.

UNHCR in Sudan works with the Commissioner for Refugees (COR), the Humanitarian Aid Commission (HAC), and other national institutions to protect and assist refugees, asylum-seekers and internally displaced people in Khartoum, the East and Darfur. UNHCR has 10 offices in Sudan and its financial requirements for 2014 amount to US\$ 109 million.

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