

KEY FIGURES

45,811

Asylum seekers received since influx began in December 2013.

2,790

UAMS in Kakuma Camp.

18

New SGBV cases reported during the week

1:14

The ratio of latrines to users in Kakuma 4

18.75

Litres of water provided per person per day in Kakuma.

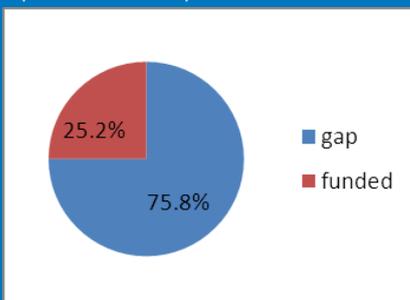
7,115

Number of roofed durable shelters in Kakuma 4.

FUNDING

USD 36.5 MILLION

Requested for the operation



PRIORITIES

- Monitor trends of daily new arrivals and their unhindered access to asylum.
- Maintenance of water network to ensure improved supply
- Distribution of NFIs to households
- Close monitoring of malaria and watery diarrhea trends due to their outbreak potential.

KENYA

KAKUMA OPERATIONAL UPDATE

01 – 07 MAY 2015

HIGHLIGHTS

- As at 07 May 2015, Kakuma had received 45,811 asylum seekers from South Sudan. As at 30 April, 182,877 refugees had been registered by UNHCR and DRA, with South Sudanese making up 50% of the registered population.
- On 04 May 2015, the Executive Director of the Board of USA for UNHCR visited Kakuma. The Director's team was accompanied by the Project Development Officer in the Private Sector Fundraising Unit at the Regional Office. USA for UNHCR is one of UNHCR's key fundraisers and the mission was keen on identifying potential ideas for sustainable livelihood projects in the camp. The team was briefed by the Head of sub-office on the operation and later visited various facilities in the camp including a clinic and a food distribution centre.



A South Sudanese refugee welcomes USA for UNHCR's Executive Director (second right) and her team into her house in Kakuma 4. The organization is one of UNHCR's key fundraisers. *UNHCR/C Wachiaya*

- A US CIS mission arrived in Kakuma on 04 May 2015 to conducting interviews for the US Refugee Admissions Program until 22 May 2015. 845 eligible refugees will be interviewed during the period and out of this number, 794 refugees will be arriving from Dadaab in two groups of 40 people per day. The refugees will be in Kakuma for the duration of the interviews (normally one week) and then return to Dadaab. The relocations are being conducted in close collaboration with IOM and other partners.

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

- UNHCR conducts border monitoring visits to Nadapal three days a week (every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday) with the aim of ensuring that asylum seekers received at the border have unhindered access to asylum and are treated humanely.
- The trend of daily new arrivals has remained low; on average less than 100 people are received per week. In the past week, 51 new arrivals were received. Lutheran World Federation (LWF) manages the centre and has staff based there to receive arrivals and provide them with hot meals and accommodation. IRC staff visit the border thrice a week to conduct health and nutrition screening for children (under 5 years) and women. UNHCR has maintained a weekly convoy to the border to pick new arrivals who stay at the transit centre for an average of one week. The trend continues to be monitored closely for any possible upsurge.
- Issues of visa charges at the border by Immigration officials continue to pose a challenge to unhindered access to asylum seekers, despite the prima-facie status conferred on them by the Kenya Government. On average, adults are charged KES 5,000 (about USD 50). Discussions have been ongoing between the Immigration Office in Nairobi, UNHCR, the Department of Refugee Affairs and the Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK) to address the matter.

Achievements

Protection

Child Protection

- As at 07 April 2015, 1,262 new UAMS and 7,095 separated children had arrived in Kakuma since December 2013. Since then to date, 1,213 UAMs including 856 South Sudanese UAMs and 5,440 separated children have been registered, bringing the cumulative number of registered UAMs in Kakuma to 2,790 and 12,456 separated children.

Achievements and Impact

- In the reporting week, the BID panel which comprises of representatives from UNHCR Resettlement and Protection Units, District Children's Office (DCO), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Kenya Red Cross and RCK conducted a total of 22 BID assessments. At the reception center and in the community, 30 BIAs were carried out.
- 53 home visits were carried out to 1,052 children living in either foster care arrangement or in child headed households for purposes of monitoring and assessment of their living conditions. Children with specific protection concerns were also assessed.

SGBV

- During the reporting period, a total of 18 SGBV cases were reported and assisted to access specialized services including psychosocial counseling and medical treatment to address immediate needs. Out of the reported cases, there was one case of forced marriage, 10 sexual violence-related cases, four physical assaults and three cases of psychological/emotional abuse. IRC provided individual and group counseling sessions for identified SGBV survivors at the two women centres in the camp.

Achievements and Impact

- UNHCR in collaboration with UNFPA and IRC met to prepare the draft Information Sharing Protocol (ISP) for SGBV related data. The ISP sets out guiding principles and procedures for sharing anonymous data on reported GBV cases captured in the GBV IMS by partners involved in SGBV activities. The development of the ISP is expected to improve data sharing, coordination, identification of gaps as well as prioritization of actions and improve programming of SGBV prevention and response interventions.

- During the reporting week, UNHCR attended the graduation ceremony of 36 refugee women who successfully completed a two months intensive training programme in home bakery and confectionery. The beneficiaries were provided with start-up kits to enable them to set-up small scale businesses. The goal of the project is to empower vulnerable women and youth at risk to ensure self-reliance.

 **Health**

- The general health status of refugees remained stable during the week with mortality indicators remaining within Sphere/UNHCR standards. UNHCR and IRC continue to closely monitor the trend of malaria and watery diarrhoea due to their outbreak potential.

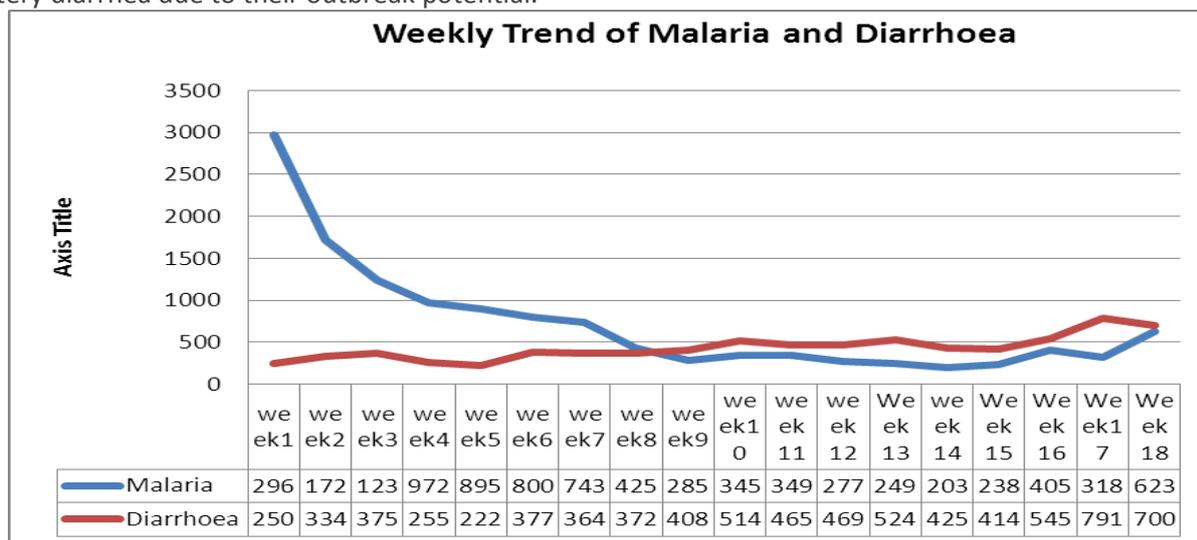


Fig1: Weekly trends of new malaria and watery diarrhoea cases

- Due to the ongoing rainy season, watery diarrhoea and malaria cases have considerably increased as seen in the above chart. IRC’s community health workers conducted an assessment to find out the most affected areas in the camp. They are also disseminating key health messages to the community on hygiene promotion and malaria prevention using guided procedures.

 **Food Security and Nutrition**

- During the reporting week, 40 newly arrived children aged 6-59 months were screened for malnutrition at the reception centre. Among these, six had severe acute malnutrition (15%) while one (2.5%) was found with moderate acute malnutrition. All identified cases of acute malnutrition were enrolled to respective rehabilitation programs.

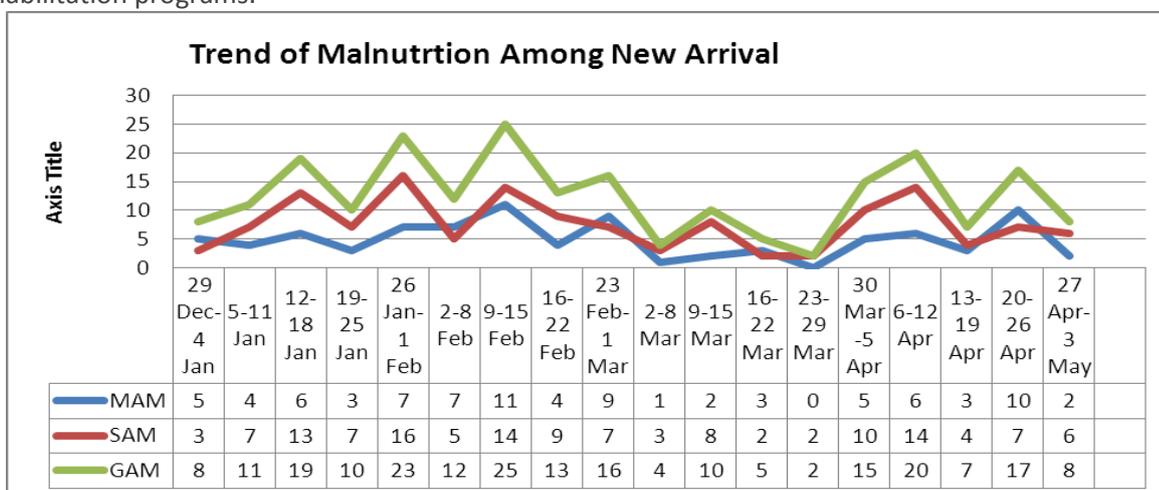
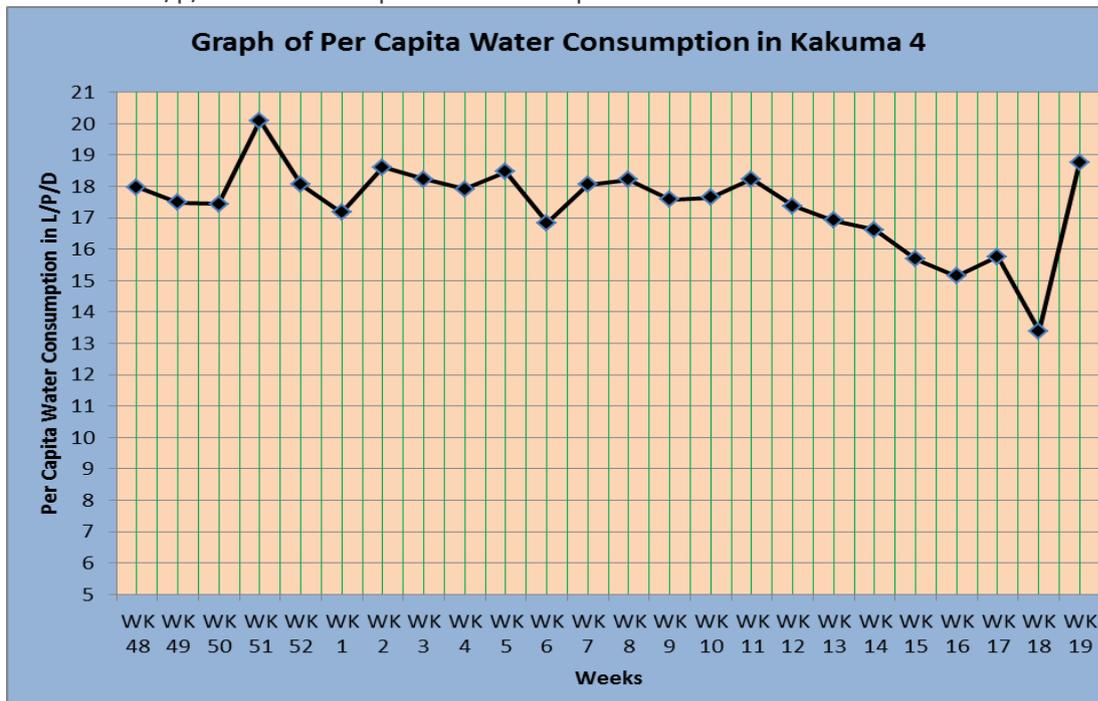


Fig2: Trend of malnutrition among new arrivals (Under 5 years) screened at reception centre

Water and Sanitation

The total amount of water supplied to residents in Kakuma 4 during the reporting week was 6,583m³. This translated to per capita water distribution of 18.75 l/p/d which is a considerable improvement from the previous week's 13.38 l/p/d. The consumption trend is depicted below:



Achievements and Impact

- Water supply has considerably improved after repairs on sections of the main water supply pipeline (250meters) were done. The main pipeline from borehole 4B to Kakuma 4 has been restored.
- UNHCR in coordination with NRC, World Vision Kenya (WVK) and Team & Team international identified a possible drilling site for one borehole and two sites for installation of two Elevated Water Tanks (EWTs) in Kakuma 4. The drilling of the borehole and installation of EWTs will be through funding from WVK and Team & Team respectively. Team and Team has commenced construction of tank foundations for the two EWTs.
- NRC completed construction of 13 family shared latrines in Kakuma 4. The latrine to user ratio is 1:14 for both family shared and household latrines. Coverage stands at 34.5% for both family shared and household latrine categories and 15.3% coverage for household latrines only.

Identified needs and Gaps

- Water supply was intermittent in the reporting period due to rainfall which destroyed 18 metres of the main water supply pipeline for two days. Inability to access some boreholes and the breakdown of one borehole (BH 12) further exacerbated the situation. Re-routing of the pipeline and its full restoration has been done and it is now operational.
- Heavy rains rendered access roads to Kakuma 3 and 4 impassable on 24 April; as such fuel supply to boreholes in these areas was disrupted. However, during the reporting week the pumps were refueled and the boreholes are now functional. Routine maintenance of the water system and water quality monitoring continue to ensure supply is maintained at UNHCR standards.

Shelter and NFIs

Achievements and Impact

- UNHCR in coordination with DRA, LWF, NCK, NRC, WFP and WVI organized the settlement of new arrivals from the reception centre to Kakuma 4 on 02 May 2015. A total of 61 families of 244 individuals were

successfully relocated. 32 T-shelters and vacant durable shelters were allocated to the new arrivals. They were also provided with transport, NFIs, food rations, energy saving stoves and firewood.

- Progress has been made after extensive consultations between UNHCR, DRA, the County Government and the host community for new land. The Terms of Engagement (TOE) on utilisation of the new land were endorsed by the Committee discussing the acquisition of the new camp at the County headquarters in Lodwar. This now paves the way for the signing of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Governor and DRA with UNHCR signing as a witness.



Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

Achievements and Impact

- During the reporting week, AAHI, through its socio-economic profiling exercise identified 10 new beneficiaries who possess skills in beauty and hair dressing, arts and crafts, soap making, hotel and pharmacy business amongst others. The beneficiaries will be assisted with start-up capital to enable them start small-scale businesses.
- AAHI conducted a one-day financial literacy and life skills training session targeting 37 beneficiaries. Topics covered included management of business funds, financial record keeping and business costing, as well as how to raise capital and customer care. The trainees are expected to use these skills to improve their business entrepreneurship skills.
- AAHI in collaboration with the Sub-County Water Officer conducted an assessment of existing shallow wells in Kakuma in view of establishing repair requirements for non-functional shallow wells. Additionally, an assessment of optimal irrigation water system was conducted in the camp and surrounding host community area in collaboration with the Turkana County Irrigation engineers. The findings of the assessment will inform the identification of viable areas for agriculture and irrigation.

Working in partnership

- UNHCR continues to work closely with the Central and County Governments, DRA and other partners to ensure protection and wellbeing of refugees and asylum seekers. Bi-monthly Inter-Agency meetings continue to be held as well as monthly meetings with refugee leaders from the entire camp.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total recorded contributions for the emergency operation amount to **US\$ 9.2 million** representing **25.2%** of the requested funding.

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 un-earmarked and broadly earmarked funds.

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