

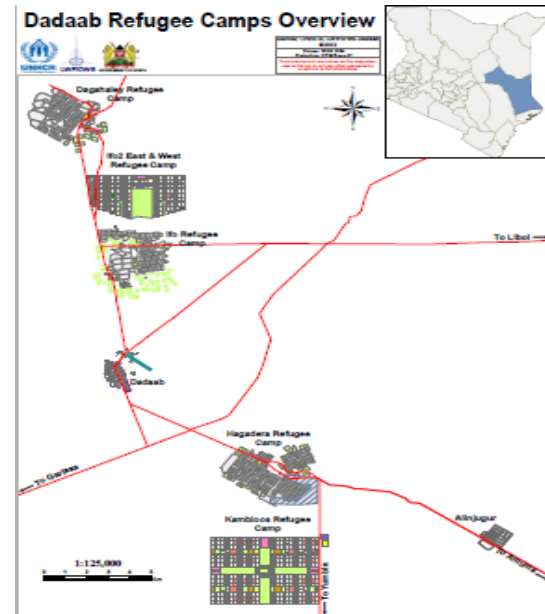
UNHCR Dadaab Operation

Sexual and Gender Based Violence Dashboard

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LATEST KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- As of June 31st 2015, 533 SGBV cases were reported as compared to 623 reported at the end of June 2014. The reported cases depicted a decrease in reported incidences by 14.4% affecting women (96.2%), men (3.7%) and children (8.6%), with majority cases being women and girls. 100% of survivors received psychosocial counselling.
- 480 individuals from the refugee community comprising 250 women, 230 men have been involved in Engagement of Men in Accountable Practices (EMAP) which was rolled out in three locations in the Dadaab Operation.
- 56 survivors were involved in 47 Mobile court cases where two perpetrators were successfully prosecuted and convicted. 237 survivors of gender based violence have received individual legal counselling in all the five camps.
- 142 UNHCR staffers, government counterparts and partner were trained on SGBV prevention and response activities, including 2164 persons of concern from the refugee community (228 in Ifo 1, 113 in Ifo 2, 622 in Dagahalley, 401 in Hagadera and Kambioos).
- Full roll out of the GBVIMS data tool by all lead agencies in the five camps with a population of close to **350,035** individuals.



Key Highlights in SGBV Activities

- UNHCR has emphasised partnership and collaboration with all stakeholders in ensuring that Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) survivors are provided with immediate assistance in collaboration with main partners comprising the Department of Refugee Affairs (DRA); Kenya Police (KP); Care International located in Dagahalley Camp; International Rescue Committee (IRC) Hagadera and Kambioos camps; Kenya Red Cross (KRCS) operating in Ifo 2; Danish Refugee Council (DRC) operating in Ifo 1; Save the Children operating in four camps except Kambioos which is covered by Terres Des Hommes (TDH). UNHCR has also supported Refugee Consortium of Kenya to provide legal aid and representation for SGBV survivors in all the five camps. Operational Partners who form part of the campaign include Handicap International (HI); Centre for victims of Torture (CVT), Film Aid and Notional Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK); Lutheran World Federation (LWF); Sub County Children's Department; The Judiciary and the Kenya Police.

Advocacy, Training and Capacity Building

- UNHCR and the six lead SGBV Partners has overseen a full roll out of the Gender Based Violence Information Management System (GBVIMS) in all locations. Subsequently 6 Staff drawn from UNHCR and lead SGBV partners were trained on GBVIMS data collection tools. The partners comprised of Care International located in Dagahalley Camp; International Rescue Committee (IRC) Hagadera and Kambioos camps; Kenya Red Cross (KRCS) operating in Ifo 2; Danish Refugee Council (DRC) operating in Ifo 1; Save the Children operating in four camps except Kambioos which is covered by Terres Des Hommes (TDH).
- In addition, 30 Humanitarian Staff working in protection interventions benefitted from a blended training offered by UNHCR Global Learning Centre (GLC) with an eventual three day workshop conducted at Dadaab in April 2015. Another 28 staff were drawn from UNHCR, Government, community workers were trained on specific needs of persons including sexual and gender non-conforming (LGBTI) persons including refugees, highlighting their need for interventions in psychosocial and child protection and Gender Based Violence.
- 57 government officials including 50 from the police and 7 from DRA were also trained in aspects of International Protection, Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse as well as Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV).
- 125 National staff from UNHCR and humanitarian organisations were trained on various areas where Handicap International (HI) trained 35 humanitarian staff on barrier facilitation awareness; Danish Refugee Council (DRC) trained about 65 Staffers on ICSC SGBV Guidelines; and 35 humanitarian staff trained on psychosocial support for national staff.

Kenya Police Online Training Platform

- UNHCR Dadaab has successfully completed the installation of uninterrupted Internet infrastructure in five (5) out of 13 police stations located in the Dadaab camps (Ifo, Ifo 2, Hagadera and Dagahaley camps) The internet infrastructure is one of the first steps for an online police training platform for all police officers working in the Dadaab Camps. The courses will entail prevention of Sexual and Gender Based Violence and other International Protection programs. It is anticipated that over 200 police officers will benefit from the UNHCR protection training packages that have been installed in the five police stations. By the end of June 2016, over 400 police officers will have undertaken the protection training programs under the Online Police training Project 2015.

- **Engagement of Men in Accountable Practices (EMAP)**
 After conducting a research on Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) in Hagadera Camp by IRC, one of the main approaches that were recommended was the engagement of men and boys, as enshrined in the UNHCR Global Strategy. To this end, UNHCR Dadaab adopted one of the Interventions known as Engagement of Men In Accountable Practices (EMAP), which is aimed at transformational change among men in becoming women allies in prevention of gender based violence among women and girls.
- To have traction to this process, during April 2015, UNHCR Coordinated the roll out of the Pilot Project in collaboration with International Rescue Committee (IRC), Danish Refugee Council (DRC) and Kenya Red Cross (KRCS) in training staff and community workers on the Engagement of Men in Accountable Practices (EMAP). The roll-out commenced by training 28 participants comprising Supervisors and Facilitators of both genders, drawn from the key SGBV partner staff and community workers from Hagadera, Kambioos, Ifo 1, Ifo2 and Dagahalley Camps. It is envisaged that men will pay attention to women's voices by becoming worthy allies in the prevention of violence against women and girls. It is anticipated that after EMAP training, the participants will be instrumental in carrying undertaking interventions alongside the existing response and interventions activities. To this end, 480 individuals from the refugee community comprising 250 women, 230 men have been involved have been involved in EMAP which has been rolled out in three locations (Ifo, Ifo2 and Dagahalley) in the Dadaab Operation.



Administration of Justice through the Judiciary

- While there exist persistent harmful traditional practices such as Female Genital Mutilation/ cutting FGM/C, traditional dispute resolution (Maslaha) and early marriage, significant gains attributed to the joint efforts of SGBV Working Group has been witnessed in the first half of the year, where 56 survivors were involved in 47 centralised Mobile Court Cases where two perpetrators were successfully prosecuted and convicted as compared to the entire 2014 where out of 62 survivors involved in about 70 cases, only 3 perpetrators were successfully prosecuted.
- UNHCR has entered into an understanding with the Garissa High Court to allow Judiciary officials to conduct circuit rides to the Dadaab camps every month once a

week. The Mobile Court also handles children cases, family laws disputes where parties professing the Muslim faith are presided by the Kadhi.

- The Chief Magistrate's Court also presides over all other common law matters both civil and criminal cases. 237 survivors of gender based violence have received individual legal counselling during 2015.
- UNHCR has continuously supported 10 SGBV staff who are permanently deployed at the Police Gender Desks located at the various police stations to facilitate confidential reporting of incidences and support the enhancement of investigation of cases by the law enforcement authorities in the camps. This is also attributed to the fact that 19,233 individuals residing in all the five camps were reached during community awareness campaigns including information on 72 hour clinical management of rape and sexual assault survivors, referral pathway, human rights and legal awareness sessions and an array of services available for all survivors of sexual and gender based violence in the camps.

Other Related Activities

- UNHCR is collaborating with a number of partners/organizations who are spearheading a research that will add impetus to capacity building initiatives of community SGBV case workers as a model to ending violence against women and Girls (VAWG) in Dadaab Operation. The London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) is leading the study in Dadaab along with the Africa Population and Health Research Center (APHRC).
- A questionnaire has been jointly developed and is currently being administered in Hagadera and Dagahalley Camps, the study seeks to examine the effectiveness and impact of training community caseworkers to deliver case management services to women survivors of gender-based violence, including intimate partner violence. This will include exploring case management as a means of secondary prevention and how social norms and stigma deter women from accessing these services. Preliminary findings will be shared during September 2015.
- A survey on female genital mutilation/cutting (FGM/C) was conducted in 2014 in the Dadaab Camps revealed that the practice is still prevalent in the camps. 98% of the respondents indicated to have knowledge of FGM, only 15% had the right information about FGM. The survey established that 80% of FGM/C cases takes place in the camps due to traditional practices and beliefs. A concreted recommendation was made for all SGBV partners to step up campaigns against the practice.
- 1.160 female survivors comprising 160 in Ifo, 480 in Ifo2, 200 in Dagahalley and 320 in Kambioos and Hagadera have benefitted from life skills and livelihoods.

- 69,678 young women and girls in the reproductive age representing 74% of individuals in need of sanitary materials benefited, including 7,920 pants distributed to women and girls. 1,160 women have benefitted from livelihoods activities in all five camps.

Operational Coordination of SGBV Activities

- The Dadaab Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) Working Group has established a strong coordination mechanism in all the five camps where Child Protection and SGBV meetings are held at the camp level periodically on a monthly basis in addition to systematic individual case follow up sessions.
- Every month there is an Inter-Agency Working Group Meeting as well as a Quarterly GBVIMS working Group session which either meets for analysis of data or review of documents.
- By the end of October 2015, the coordination secretariat will launch the review of key documents including, SGBV strategy which is ongoing; the GBVIMS information Sharing Protocol which is also under review and the SGBV Standard Operating Procedures. The safe haven panel is also held periodically to discuss the welfare of the individuals residing therein.
- 90 survivors representing 15.9% of all who reported cases of Sexual and Gender Based Violence were provided with safety at the different community safe homes as well as the one safe haven located at Ifo camp. 31 individuals comprising 8 adults and 23 children are currently being accommodated at the Ifo 1 Safe haven. The Safe haven only temporarily accommodates women and children with imminent life threatening concerns.

Key Trends and Patterns

- Out of 533 reported SGBV incidences, 207 representing 38.8% were married women, 54 representing 10.1% were single women and 32 representing 6% were divorced from spouses.
- It is worth noting that 138 reported incidences representing 25.9% took place at night while 71 of the reported incidences representing 13.3% took place in the afternoons. 136 reported incidences representing 25.5% were physical assault; 50 reported incidences representing 9.3% were rape, 47 reported incidences representing 8.1% were sexual, 39 of the reported incidences representing 7.3% while 7 reported incidents representing 1.3% were emotional abuse.
- Intimate partner violence was the leading between married and former couples. 337 individuals representing 63.2% of the individuals reported Sexual and Gender Based Violence within 72 hours and received clinical care.
- 228 SGBV incidents were reported in Kambioos and Hagadera, 63 in Ifo 1, 142 in Ifo 2 and 100 in Dagahalley Camps.
- 135 individuals involved in survival sex in Ifo, Ifo2 and Dagahalley Camp were reached and engaged in peer group support.
- 38 LGBTIs in Ifo, Ifo2 and Dagahalley Camp were identified after a mapping and awareness session was conducted in the Dadaab Camps.

Key Challenges

1. Limited safe spaces, accommodation, play grounds and foster homes further predisposes women and children to more danger.
2. Lack of livelihood opportunities further exposes women to poverty, responsible push factor to exploitation and abuse.
3. Overcrowded camps, limited protective shelters, long distance from basic requirements such as firewood, absence of adult male support to family and harmful cultural practices are some of the contributing factors exposing women and children to heightened protection risks and Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV).
4. Lack of access to clinical services in some locations have hindered survivors of SGBV to access clinical care in Kambioos Camp;
5. Insufficient domestic energy compel a sizeable number of women and girls to venture into the bush in the pursuit of firewood to supplement their entitlement from the meagre firewood distribution;
6. Lack of sufficient police officers at the gender desks, high staff turnover and insecurity affecting humanitarian staff, negatively impacting on services and assistance;

7. Timely reporting and identification of the survivors is still a problem due to conservative cultures resulting in stigma, which sometimes frustrates the delivery of appropriate service such as PEP-kit to prevent HIV/AIDS;
8. Emotional attachment between the perpetrator and the survivors
9. The challenge of unknown perpetrators.

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