

## NIGER: DIFFA OFFICE

### UNHCR WEEKLY UPDATE

30 September – 6 October 2015

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Diffa, Security Context:

- The week has been characterized by numerous attacks and numerous preventive and post-attack internal movements
- On 3 October in Barwa, 2 military were killed, while 7 were injured following an ambush against a FDS patrol by members of Boko Haram.
- Three explosions took place in Diffa city on 4 October between 7am and 9am. The first explosion happened at the residence of the Diffa Zone Commander. A guard was killed by the explosion when he intercepted the insurgents who were disguised as villagers to seek ID cards. UN agency missions have been temporarily suspended due to these incidents and they will resume following an assessment of the security situation. During the night of 4 October, another suicide bombing took place in the city of Bosso. The insurgents were killed while trying to prepare an explosive bomb, when the engine of the vehicle they were working on blew up.
- Following a threat of an imminent attack, the population of the village of Tam situated close to the border, West of Diffa town, is leaving the village.
- A new Governor for the Region of Diffa has been nominated: General Adbou Kaza.

## KEY FIGURES

**100,000**

Nigerian refugees and displaced people from Nigeria claiming to be Niger nationals lacking identification documents

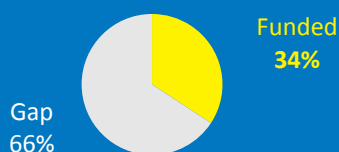
**50,000**

IDPs according to Niger authorities. It is estimated that an additional 3,000 people were recently displaced following the attacks on the Chétimari commune on 25 September.

## FUNDING

**USD 30,203,773**

Requested for the operation



## PRIORITIES

- Needs assessment for the newly displaced populations following the recent attacks in the region from 25 September to 4 October
- Provision of emergency shelter and NFI kits to new sites for IDPs
- Provision of primary health services to IDPs

## UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS



### Protection

- UNHCR carried out an assessment mission for the internally displaced populations from N’Gourtoua in the Koublé site on 26 September.
- On 28 September, the International Rescue Committee (IRC) carried out a rapid needs assessment mission to identify the protection needs of the displaced populations in Koublé and Boudoum, following the displacement of the population of N’Gourtoua.
- On 1 October IRC held two ‘tea-debates’ on child protection; one in the village of Kindjandi, and one in Goudoumaria. 206 people participated (105 men, 80 women, 34 boys and 42 girls) in Kindjandi, and 263 people in Goudoumaria (75 women, 27 men, 126 girls and 109 boys).
- IRC protection monitoring reports extreme tension among the population following the recent attacks.
- On 1 October, the IRC protection team organized two training workshops for 15 community child protection groups it had created in Kablewa and Bosso. There were 90 participants, including 30 female committee members.
- Due to the security situation, UNHCR had to postpone an identification exercise for families at the Gagamari and Assaga sites, wishing to be relocated to Sayam Forage. It has been requested of the government to facilitate the mobilization of the *Direction Régionale de l’Etat Civil* (DREC) to identify these candidates.
- The site of Abounga, about 5km east of Maïné Soroa and 8km north of the village of Tam has been selected by the Maïné Soroa Chief of Canton to host the displaced population from Tam village following the insurgent group’s threats on the locality. CARE and IRC undertook a monitoring mission and a needs assessment at the site.



### Health

- Under the remote management project, the mobile clinic established in Yébi, managed by *Action Pour le Bien-Etre* (APBE), is providing health assistance in collaboration with the Bosso district health service. They are being supported by 2 nurses from the health centre in Chétimari, one lab technician and one nurse from the health centre in Bosso. From 1 to 6 October, APBE undertook 20 prenatal consultations and 11 consultations for pregnant women in Tchoungoua and 101 prenatal and 15 for pregnant women in Yébi. All women undergoing first time consultations receive nutritional supplements.



### Water and Sanitation

- Following the displacements resulting from the attacks in N’Gourtoua on 25 September, MSF have responded to the water needs of the population living in the Koublé site by installing six 15,000m<sup>3</sup> water containers.



### Shelter and NFIs

#### Shelter :

- An initial assessment mission by UNHCR identified an urgent need for shelter and NFIs amongst the newly displaced populations.
- Croix Rouge Luxembourg will distribute 300 shelters at the sites of Koube and Boudoum this week.

### NFIs:

- 1,000 NFI kits have been transferred by UNHCR from Niamey to the Koublé site for distribution. These are being distributed by Care International this week.



### Access to Energy

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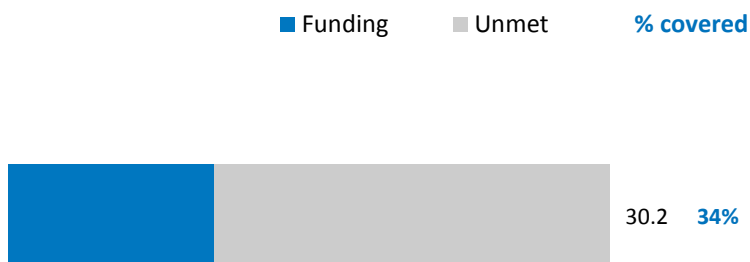
- ACTED, with funds from UNHCR, are currently installing 5 solar panel units in the Diffa region. The work is completed in the Sayam Forage Camp health centre and Sayam town health centres, where they are already operational. The installation at Goudoumaria centre should be achieved by 8 October, while training on the use of the equipment will be carried out on 9 October. In N’Galewa, the works should be completed by next week, and the final set will be installed in N’Guigmi.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

UNHCR is very grateful for the financial support provided by donors particularly those who have contributed to UNHCR activities with unremarked and broadly earmarked funds as well as for those who have contributed to the situation.

### Funding (in million US\$)

A total of **10.34 million** has been funded



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