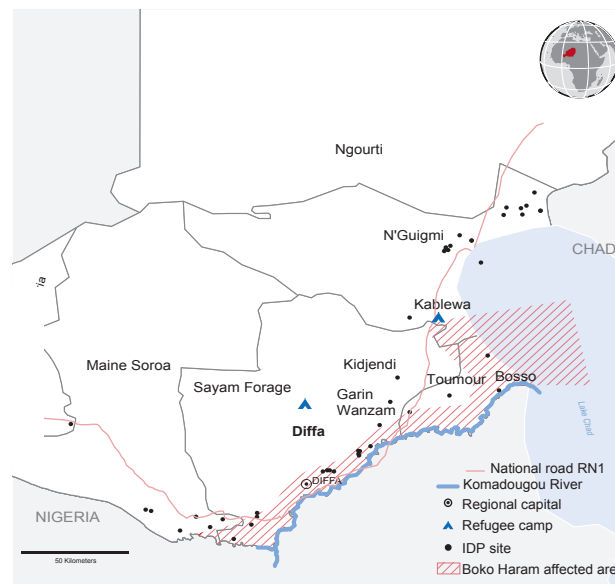


## CONTEXT

Since the declaration of the State of Emergency in the northern states of Nigeria (Adamawa, Borno and Yobe) in May 2013 and the first Boko Haram attacks in south-eastern Niger in February 2015, the country has been facing unprecedented humanitarian challenges. In addition to chronic food insecurity, malnutrition, epidemic and floods, Niger has had to cope with the arrival of thousands of Nigerian refugees in the Diffa region and internal displacement of people fleeing Boko Haram raids and attacks on their villages. Displacements have exacerbated the already fragile livelihoods of host communities who are among some of the poorest of the country.

In 2015, 80 attacks have been registered in different localities of the Diffa region. As of November 2015, the regional authorities in Diffa estimated displaced people at more than 225,000 people including refugees, returnees and internally displaced people.

In 2016, 76 attacks have been registered. As of December 2016, the regional authorities in Diffa estimated displaced people at more than 240,000 people including refugees, returnees and internally displaced people. Important humanitarian needs are identified in the sectors of food, health care, nutrition, education, shelter and non-food items, protection as well as access to water, sanitation and hygiene.



## KEY FIGURES

**160** attacks and clashes since 2015

**305** civilians killed since 2015

**147** civilians injured in 2015 & 2016

**241,560** refugees, returnees & IDPs to date

## CHRONOLOGY OF IMPORTANT EVENTS IN 2016

### January - March

The Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) provided USD\$7 million for a multisectoral emergency response, to support displaced people and host communities in the Diffa region. Some 14 attacks occurred between January and March, in addition to clashes between local communities and alleged Boko Haram members

14 attacks, 15 civilians killed, 19 injured, 225,000 displaced

### July - September

Suspected Boko Haram attackers killed 5 people during a raid in Toumour on 2 September. The gunmen also torched several homes and injured 2 people. It was the 1st such incident in the region since June when tens of thousands of people fled their homes following a series of attacks. The State of Emergency in Diffa was extended to 27 October.

17 attacks, 108 civilians killed, 6 injured, 302,387 displaced

### April - June

Military operations by the Multinational Joint Task Force (MNJTF) of the countries of the Lake Chad Basin Commission were carried out against Boko Haram. Attacks by the group continued to be reported with 10 registered in April, 8 in May and 5 in June 2016. Around 69,000 people were newly displaced following the attacks of Yebi (31 May), Bosso (3 June) and Kablewa (6 June).

23 attacks, 38 civilians killed, 31 injured, 281,000 displaced

### October - December

The MNJTF conducted intense military operations. The Government extended the State of Emergency by three months due to an increasing number of incidents in November. Some 340,000 people were estimated to be in need of humanitarian assistance. In December 2016, the CERF provided a grant of US\$10 million for underfunded emergency projects in Niger, including Diffa.

2 attacks, 20 civilians killed, 4 injured, 241,560 displaced