### **KIREHE SUB-OFFICE REPORT**

# UNHCR The UN Refugee Agency

# Rwanda



### WEEK: 13<sup>TH</sup> TO 19<sup>TH MAY</sup> 2017

### **KEY OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- The camp population is currently at 53,646 individuals divided into 18, 634 households and of whom 49% are female;
- Health partners led by MoH and WHO organized malaria screening and treatment in Mahama camp with 4,142 individuals tested;
- Swedish mission impressed by Mahama camp
- UNICEF signs agreement with IEE (Innovation Education for Empowerment) to build teachers capacity.
- Paysannat L students win the Eastern Province interschools basketball competitions and will now represent Eastern Province at national level.





Top: SIDA visits Mahama camp Bottom: Briefing of CWHs by UNHCR and partners (WHO, ARC, SCI, MoH and MIDMAR) during malaria screening and treatment campaign Mahama Camp.

### KEY STATISTICS (WEEK 6-12 MAY 2017)

## 53,646

Total population of concern (Refugees & Asylum Seekers) 1,257

Refugees who are unaccompanied or separated from their parents 18,634

Refugee families or Households in Mahama 147

Current number of refugees at GATORE RC

#### **SECURITY/MISSIONS**

- The security situation in the camp/in Kirehe town remained calmed during the reporting period;
- The Swedish (SIDA) Head of program and UNHCR Senior Program officer visited Mahama on 16<sup>th</sup> May; The Head of Mission hailed Mahama as the best camp in Africa. *See separate report shared already.*
- UNICEF Education and UNHCR BO visited the camp on 16<sup>th</sup> May to introduce a new partner Innovation Education of Empowerment (IEE);
- WHO Kigali supported the malaria screening and treatment campaign from 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> May.
- Indego Africa and UNHCR BO visited Mahama to take pictures activities for fund raising.

# Protection

#### General Protection: New arrivals/Relocation/Registration

• A total of 23 new arrivals of 18 Households were received at Gatore RC and 50 individuals transferred to Mahama Camp. By the end of the week, a total of 147 individuals/ 123 HH are remaining at Gatore RC; the main points of entry for new arrivals are Bugesera, Gahara, Karehero, Rusumo, Huye and Akanyaru. Refugees are arriving directly from Burundi and Tanzania; the major reasons for flight were alleged persecution by the militia in Burundi and family reunification.

### **Reception/ Counselling/litigation/monitoring**

- The litigation panel (MIDIMAR, Immigration and UNHCR) treated 12 cases (2 cases were reactivated, 5 cases of family reunification and 5 cases with problems of documentation).
- The community complaint desk organized by SCI and UNHCR staff received 302 individuals that were provided with information and referral for assistance.

### Legal Protection/documentation

- Incidents of drugs abuse and aggravated assault on children continue to be reported, the 4 alleged perpetrators were assisted by LAF during the preliminary interviews conducted by Judicial Police Officers while awaiting referral to the Nyarubuye/ National Prosecution Authority.
- MIDIMAR organized a group wedding in Mahama, the 70 new wedded couples were given legal marriage certificates.

### **Child Protection:**

### Unaccompanied and separated children (UASC)

- Currently, there are 496 UASCs who continued to be monitored by partners and UNHCR staff; home visitations were conducted to follow up on 21 children survivors (02 cases of child labour and 19 cases of child neglect). A total of 08 UAC (5M & 3F) are currently at Gatore RC pending their relocation to Mahama Camp.
- BIAs for a family of five children was completed this week, a BID Panel is scheduled to seat next week for final recommendation.
- A graduation ceremony was organized for 416 parents and 583 children who participated in the Child Re-silence program organized by SCI, they were awarded certificates of participation in the in the different programs conducted. The program has so far reached 1750 children in the camp and another enrolment will begin soon.

### Birth registration

• A total of 48 (27M, 21F) new births were registered during the week and 130 (70M, 60 F) received birth certificates, meanwhile UNHCR conducted sensitization on birth registration and 55 (7M, 48F) individuals participated.

• Furthermore, 54 (25M, 29F) new babies were registered during the week and 285 (145M, 140 F) received birth certificates. This number is high because it includes babies registered in April who received their birth certificates during this week.

### Incidents

- New incidents reported by SCI included, 02 cases of child neglect and 02 cases of physical abuse.
- UNHCR also provided counselling to 10 children during reception and they were referred to SCI for follow up and assistance.

### Recreation

- Recreational activities were organized targeting children and youth; in the YFS, **5605** (2360 F, 3245M) youth participated and at the CFS, **6622** (3341F, 3281M) participated.
- On May 17, a soccer team called "Force Nouvelle" from Mahama Camp participated in a friendly football match against "Rwamagana City FC". The team of 18 players and 23 fans were accompanied by UNHCR staff.
- Mahama sit ball team "Amavubi" went to Kigali to participate in National Paralympic committee sit ball tournament.

### Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) prevention and response Response

• A total of 6 new incidents reported: 03 cases of child defilement, 01 of early marriage and 02 psychological and Emotional Abuse; the survivors were provided with appropriate assistance. Follow-up visits were conducted for 12 old SGBV cases.

#### Prevention

- LAF conducted sensitization on laws governing SGBV/CP in the Country, 250 (20 boys, 40 girls, 70 women and 120 men) participated. Furthermore, a campaign on the prevention of early marriage and early pregnancy was conducted in village D, the refugees were encouraged to report all SGBV incidents.
- On 19 May a joint Protection Mobile Clinic (UNHCR, SCI and LAF) was conducted at the market in Mahama I. The topics covered were child defilement, early marriage, child neglect and SEA at the market places and other employment areas. Details were provided on the legal consequences and reporting modalities, the session was followed by a question /answer and orientation for the participants.

### **Education**

- The overall average attendance for the different levels in the schools was 87%; for ECD: 3959/4869 (81.3%); Primary level: 10,896/12,492 (87.2%) and Secondary Level attendance 3567/3796 (94%).
- UNICEF Education specialist and UNHCR BO Education focal point visited the camp; the objective was to introduce UNICEF's new partner, Innovation Education of Empowerment (IEE) to enhance the quality of education (train and coach the teachers at paysannat L on the new curriculum). In

addition, UNICEF announced the donation of office equipment (60 computers, 5 printers, 2 photocopy machines and 2 generators) for use at the school. Meanwhile, the partners are in the process to identify a suitable location to construct the hall (IT lab) to host the items.

- ADRA psychosocial specialist conducted visits for students of S4A, S4B and S3E on prevention of early marriage, early pregnancies and HIV.
- ADRA provided sign language training to 83 individuals (11 students, 5 parents of children with disabilities and 60 teachers (35 men and 25 women) received sign language training.
- ADRA provided 1,000 pens to learners at G.S Paysannat L, and English and Kinyarwanda reading Books to 115 at P1 & P2 learning at G.S Paysannat-Satellite.
- The salaries of 31 Burundian teachers who recently received equivalence for their academic credentials are yet to be harmonized.
- G.S Paysannat L won the cup for inter-schools championship in Basketball at the Eastern Province. It will present the Eastern Province at the National Level in coming days.

### Alternative & accelerated learning programs

- Refugees participated in different activities promoting learning for refugees, especially the youth; at the SCI library was 327 (296 boys & 31 girls) participated; at the idea boxes organized by HI, 805 users (716 males and 89 females) participated. In addition, 509 participated in reading clubs in 6 villages (A, 17, 10B, 3, 5 and B). Other activities, included English literacy and numeracy classes organized with an average attendance of 85 %.
- At HI idea box center, 297 refugees (263 males and 34 females) were trained on the how to conduct research on tablets provided at the center.

# Health

- Consultations in both health centres in Mahama I&II were 4,600, with a ratio of 82 consultations/ clinician. The leading causes of morbidity in the camp remains malaria (42%), upper and lower respiratory tract infections (13%);
- A total of 694 patients (135 pregnant and lactating mothers) received anti-retroviral medication as well as other support; 78 patients with mental health disorder received appropriate treatment at outpatient care; 171 patients with different medical conditions were referred (52 to Kirehe hospital and 119 to Kigali).
- The number of cases suspected of typhoid fever increased to 18, and samples went sent for confirmation; New cases of tuberculosis were identified amounting to 9 patients currently undergoing treatment;
- New births occurred, 35 in health facilities and 1 in the community; 3 deaths occurred, 2 were caused by severe malaria (children less than 5 years) and 1 caused by severe pneumonia.

### Main activities:

 In collaboration with MoH, malaria screening and treatment campaign was organized with partners in the camp, 11 testing and treatment sites including 5 sites in schools were established for mass screening using Rapid Diagnostic Tests. Of the 4142 individuals tested, 2103 (50%) were positive for malaria. Meanwhile, health education sessions by CHWs within the community and the health facilities focused on malaria, malnutrition, reproductive health as well as disease control.

- In addition, ASRH education awareness raising sessions covered topics including HIV/AIDS prevention, unwanted pregnancies and correct use of condom.
- Screening and management of acute malnutrition are being implemented routinely; blanket Supplementary Feeding Programs (BSFP) for children less than 02 years, and pregnant and lactating mothers are ongoing; 216 children under five were screened for anaemia and fresh food was distributed to vulnerable groups as part of prevention activities. Teams from ARC and SCI are tracing children sampled for the nutrition survey.
- Ongoing CHWs training on integrated community disease surveillance and response at Kirehe guest house organized by (WHO).
- In Gatore RC, 20 individuals were vaccinated against Yellow Fever and sensitization campaign on yellow fever continues to be conducted jointly by UNHCR and SCI.

### T Water and Sanitation

- The raw water turbidity has been ranging between 351 946 NTU and the average quantity of daily clean water supplied to beneficiaries was 20.80 litres/per/day (1,113 m3) due to reduced rainfall. The repair and maintenance of water taps were carried out and a new water point constructed in village 10. To date, 110(660 taps) are functional resulting in an average of 81 users/ tap.
- Bacteriological water test conducted on 17th May 2017 showed that all samples taken have zero total coliforms and E. coli. The daily disinfection of treated water and the average of residual chlorine was 0.68 mg/l at household level.
- The maintenance of sludge pits at PWTP in ongoing and damaged GI pipes in Villages A and 4 were replaced. The pipeline in village 5 was relocated due to the construction of semi-permanent shelters.

### Host community projects

• Construction of 201 improved pit latrines is ongoing completed at 70%.

### **Hygiene promotion**

- GHDF carried out door to door visits and sensitization on malaria prevention was conducted in 15 villages (2, 5, 8, 15, 17-21, A, 7A); emphasis was placed on the use of mosquito nets and the prevention and elimination of mosquito breeding areas.
- Hygiene club members conducted sensitization on the prevention of malaria, typhoid and diarrhoea through cultural activities.
- The inspection of 3 nutrition centres and restaurants located in Mahama I was carried out to ensure hygiene standards are respected by kitchen staffs and cooking utensils are in good conditions.
- Jerry can cleaning campaign was conducted in villages 17-21 to educate the refugees on regular cleaning of water storage containers at household level.
- Community works (Umuganda) was organized in Gatore RC and in Mahama (villages 11 and 2); it consisted of refugees participating in cleaning their environment (drainages and sanitation corridors), they were also sensitized to wash hands after using latrines.

### Sanitation and solid waste management

- A total of 761 latrine blocks (3,189 drop holes) are currently in use including 275 newly completed ones, giving 17 users/drop hole; 71 blocks are still under construction at different stages. 717 blocks of 2,998 shower rooms are functional giving 18 users/shower room.
- GHDF dislodged 67 blocks of latrines and 52 trips (total volume of 234.0 m<sup>3</sup>) of solid waste were collected and transported from the camp to waste dumping site.
- The main challenges are poor hygiene practice, the vandalism of sanitation facilities constructed with plastic sheets and the deterioration of emergency sanitation facilities also constructed with plastic sheeting.

### ENVIRONMENT

• The week was marked by the planting of additional 1,030 trees on road and the ECDs and the maintenance (watering, earthling and pruning) of existing trees.

### Field Services/Shelter and NFIs

• The construction of 369 shelters is in progress in village 5, 11, and E by UNHCR contractors at different construction stages; Regular maintenance of existing roads and drainages as well as the construction of new roads were carried out in villages 13 & A and the construction ARC office started in Mahama I.

#### **Shelter allocation**

 During the reporting period, 147 households of 505 individuals were moved from hangars into semipermanent shelters; currently, 5,055 semi-permanent shelters accommodates 36,605 individuals (67%). About 18,407 (33%) individuals including new arrivals are still living in hangars. The main challenge remains the illegal occupation of new shelters.

### **General Food Distribution**

- The General food Distribution started on 5th MAY 2017 and ended on 18<sup>th</sup> May, 17,332HHs of 51,875 individuals were served with food rations. It was observed that refugees hospitalized and detained were among the absentees; however, measures are now in place to ensure that refugees in such categories receive their food.
- In Gatore RC, hot meals consisting of porridge, maize and beans were provided daily to refugees residing there. In addition, maize (435.6 kg), beans (145.2 kg), v-oil (36.3 kg) salt (6.05kg), CSB+ (121kg) were distributed.

### Core relief items (CRI) distributions

- All new arrivals in Gatore RC were provided with NFIs (mats blankets, jerry cans, basins, sanitary pads and baby potty).
- MIDIMAR also distributed 756 steres of firewood to 3,830 HH (16,632 individuals).

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S/N	MSRP	РО	ltem	UoM	Initial	Qty	Qty	Balance	Distribution
	no				stock	received	distributed		Plan
1		32092	KITCHEN SETS	SET	6	-		6	New Arrivals
2	1205				804.75	-		804.75	GD-Apr-May
۷		36098	SOAPS	PCS	-	14,620	-	14,602	GD-Apr-May
3	1185	1308	SANITARY	PCS	12	-	-	12	GD-Apr-May
-		36943	PADS			26,750	-	26,750	GD-Apr-May
4	1097	1306	JERRYCANS	PCS	1,033	-	-	1,033	New arrivals
5		1524	COOKING STOVES	PCS	442	-	-	442	New arrivals
6	12432	15496	MOSQUITO NET	PCS	1,300	-	400	900	On going

### **CRI items stock movement**

## Community Based Protection

In collaboration with Community Services partners, access to different services was facilitated for vulnerable groups, targeted distributions were organized to address some special needs, assessments were conducted, psychosocial support provided and activities promoting community development and self-reliance carried out.

### Assistance to PSNs

- Partners facilitated access and assisted 453 Persons (163 males and 290 females) including elderly persons, people with disabilities, pregnant women and small children during food and General food distribution.
- Among the new arrivals from Gatore, 4 PSN (chronic illness and 1 elderly) were provided with specific orientation regarding services in the camp;
- HI provided crutches to 4 refugees with disabilities including a child; supported a child with physical deformity referred to Rilima Paediatric Orthopaedic Hospital for surgical treatment;
- Community Rehabilitation Services was provided to 135 children with disabilities, as result, 20 children gained head control, 24 children can roll in bed, 31 children were able to sit independently, 21 children were able to stand and 28 children can walk with minimal assistance. In addition, 2 cases

with severe disabilities continue to receive rehabilitation sessions at home in order to prevent deformities that may arise from being bed ridden.

### **Psychosocial support**

• HI facilitated sessions with 39 healing groups of 520 members (428 female and 92 male) from different vulnerability groups as well as parents of children with disability and psychotic disorders were, family conflicts and the people under psychotropic disorders. Furthermore, 11 new and 15 old cases of persons with mental disabilities benefitted from counselling and care.

### **Community mobilization and outreach**

- HI organized NUDOR a competition of traditional dances, poems, songs and traditional wedding ceremony to disseminate massage on human rights and to increase the participation of elderly and PWD in recreational activities.
- Sensitized 1,847 ideas box users including 1,554 males and 293 females about malaria and the use of mosquito nets.

# Livelihood

- ARC continued to coach the beneficiaries of the Stepped Approach for Improved Livelihood( SAIL) on record keeping;
- The current number of kitchen gardens implemented was 240 including 110 in village 5 and 6 by SCI, 130 facilitated by RRC in village 7 through cash for work; 20 home gardening facilitators benefited from a training on vertical gardening techniques.
- SCI continued the provision of technical and business advice to market vendors selling fruits and vegetables in Mahama I modern market, an information board was built and a tank for collecting rain water was also installed to facilitate the watering of gardens. In addition, information sessions was organized for 12 contracted vendors and 400 beneficiaries of cash grant and cash vouchers.
- Akeza Cooperative (Group A) was trained on internal Payment processes including procedures for the protection of financial assets \_\_END\_\_

#### With thanks to the effective coordination with our partners

