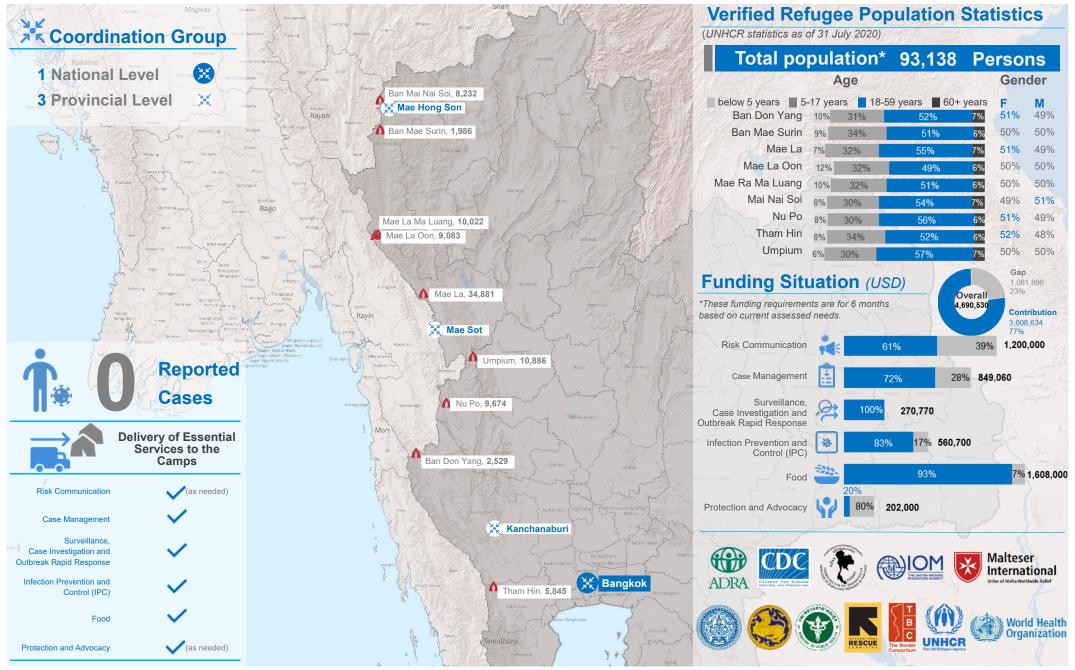
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Risk Communication

ADRA (ACTED, COERR, JRS, HI, IRC, SCI, FilmAid, MI, UNHCR, TBC)*

Key Issue Timely outreach to refugees in context of social distancing; limited phone and internet access: maintaining vigilance on social distancing, movement restrictions and mask usage

- Ongoing sharing of COVID-19 prevention and response messages in Karen and Burmese languages with refugees, including those with specific needs, through over 7,000 small group dialogues, as well as distribution of posters, leaflets, PA system announcements, videos and web links. Weekly media monitoring reports communicated across networks and shared with camp committees and at information centers in
- Training provided for over 200 RCCE community engagement workers in all 9 camps, including on home visit protocols from the protection working group along with session guidance
- Guidance on stress management and wellbeing in coordination with the health sub-committee and psychosocial working group completed
- Over 150.000 cloth masks distributed to refugees and local authorities, including of 94.000 cloth masks procured through local businesses. Over 18,000 masks distributed to students. Hygiene kits received by over 16,000 households and student boarding houses with a second distribution across all households in the 9 camps expected to commence before the end of August. Leaflet about hygiene kit content, guidance on using cloth masks, and other key informational materials developed and integrated into kit and mask distributions. Over 13,000 soap bars distributed to over 5,000 Extremely Vulnerable Individuals (EVIs) across the 9 camps. Sanitary napkins procured for over 28,000 female refugees, with distribution ongoing
- PSEA and SGBV messaging integrated into loudspeaker announcements
- IEC messaging package received by camp committees and camp leaders across the 9 camps
- Development and distribution of education messages and child friendly material on COVID-19, including learning materials, hygine sets and guidance for parents. Over 7,000 coloring books with key messages distributed to small children (aged 5-11) across 9 camps. Over 13,000 children targeted to be reached by
- Bi-weekly feedback and complaints mechanism developed and integrated into existing activities in camps, with over 9,000 individuals consulted. Knowledge, Attitudes and Practices (KAP) survey ongoing, already completed in 7 camps. Post-distribution monitoring under finalization
- COVID-19 brochure and hygiene items provided to refugees departing camps on resettlement
- Consultations with camp committees planned on reinforcing and modeling importance of cloth mask usage



Case Management

IRC (MI, CDC)*

Key Issue Obtaining necessary equipment and staff to support surge capacity if current capacity is overwhelmed. Limited access to certain medications if confirmed cases managed within camps

- All isolation and treatment facilities constructed and ready for activation if infection occurs
- Surge facilities identified and plans for rapid activation finalized if outbreak occurs in camps
- All four Mae Hong Son camps now fully equipped and ready to collect specimens of suspect cases and safely transport to the Shoklo Malaria Research Unit (SMRU)
- Global guidelines on case management currently being adapted to refugee camp context and MoPH re-
- Simulation exercises and refresher trainings on protocols underway for health staff
- Ongoing procurement of pharma and supplies



Key Issue Increasing vulnerability and dependency on assistance in the long term

- COVID-19 transmission mitigation measures implemented by food vendors, suppliers and warehouses
- Food vendors provided with soap, alcohol and bleach to sanitize shops
- Handwashing stations installed at shops and warehouses. Mandatory wearing of masks at Food Card Service (FCS) shops
- SOPs for quarantine/isolation conditions developed, in coordination with nutrition teams, health actors and camp committees. Training of camp staff in kitchen operations to support health agency quarantine/ isolation facilities completed in all 9 camps
- Strategy developed to ensure refugees' continued access to basic food items and cooking fuel
- Planning of food security and livelihoods survey underway



Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)

Key Issue Ensuring population compliance with IPC protocols during upcoming period of new normal

- COVID-19 SOPs continually reviewed, and changes incorporated into ongoing training plan. IPC refresher training ongoing in all field locations
- IPC guidelines in place for NGO staff. Soap and water supplies provided to support continuous operation of handwashing at camp entry/exit points
- Handwashing stations in place in public areas, prioritized for most frequently visited areas, including religious facilities and schools
- Hand hygiene at household level supported by community engagement team
- Ongoing production of face shields and reusable PPE, including scrubs and surgical gowns. Second delivery of 14,000 surgical masks from Royal Thai Government received
 - WHO committed to additional donation of PPE to all camp health facilities



Key Issue Maintaining heightened surveillance as restrictions in Thailand ease and country transitions to its "New Normal"

- Displaced Persons in Thailand Guidelines for Prevention, Surveillance, Investigation, and Mitigation of COVID-19 finalized, approved by MoPH, translated into Thai and shared with Public Health Officers in the 4 refugee-hosting provinces
- Procedures for refugees who develop symptoms when outside camps for resettlement processing being integrated into existing guidelines, with refugees who have developed symptoms screened before reentering. Identification of quarantine facilities outside camps ongoing
- Enhanced Surveillance testing of patients with influenza like illnesses (ILIs) and acute respiratory tract infections (ARIs) underway in 7 camps and specimens now regularly collected and sent to SMRU for testing. Staff trained on specimen collection in remaining 2 camps and set to begin submitting to CDC Nonthaburi lab within next 2 weeks
- All health facility and community-level surveillance systems in place and functioning
- Ongoing support to Thai officials to effectively conduct regular screening at camp entry points
- Ongoing simulation exercises underway to ensure capacity to respond effectively to possible COVID-19



Protection and Advocacy

UNHCR (CCSDPT agencies, KWO, KnWO, KRC, KnRC)*

Key Issue Inclusion of refugees in national surveillance, response, and planning and protection main-

- Continued advocacy on inclusion of refugees in the RTG's national surveillance, response and planning activities for COVID-19
- Supporting mainstreaming of protection in the work of other pillars, including mitigation of SGBV and PSEA
- Ensuring continued delivery of protection services for the most vulnerable, including through collection and review of vulnerability data
- Ensuring continued regular and effective protection monitoring, including access to reporting channels for SGBV survivors and other serious protection cases. Update of SGBV referral pathways completed in all camps, as well as provision of some material support
- Ministry of Education (MoE) guidelines on school reopening translated into English. Safety guidelines finalized. Soap supplies secured up to at least the end of August for schools in all 9 camps. Overall needs for supplementary hygiene materials for schools compiled
- Strategy to support safe anticipated reopening of schools in camps including 'back to learning' campaign developed. Six-week programme of preparatory activities conducted
- Updated of provincial-level Protection Risk Analyses completed in 3 camps and underway in others