HIGHLIGHTS

388
Documented protection incidents in October.

691
Persons on the move identified in mixed flows in November.

2,166
Households provided with non-food items (NFIs) since January.

3,563
Households provided with shelter assistance, since January.

POPULATION OF CONCERN – 31 OCTOBER 2020

A total of 1,168,509 persons of concern

Population group

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<td>Malian refugees in asylum countries*</td>
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<td>Malian refugees’ returnees</td>
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<td>IDP returnees**</td>
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<td>Refugees and asylum seekers in Mali</td>
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<td>(mixed origin) *</td>
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* Source: UNHCR. All other figures are sourced from the Government of Mali

UNHCR Presence

Staff, as of 30 November:

- 55 National staff
- 29 International staff
- 22 Affiliate workforce

Offices, as of 31 October:

Four (4) offices located in:

- Bamako (Country Office)
- Gao (Sub-Office)
- Timbuktu (Field Office)
- Mopti (Field Office)
WORKING WITH PARTNERS

Mali: Présence des partenaires

2020

UNHCR Bamako

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Protection Cluster

- The Humanitarian Country Team’s Protection Strategy was presented and operationalized in Timbuktu. Partners identified a set of practical and field-oriented actions in line with the three specific objectives of the strategy, as part of responding to the degradation of the protection situation.

- The Protection Cluster conducted a six-week training aimed at refreshing the knowledge of protection and humanitarian actors on the concepts of protection, the methods and the tools available. More than 400 people took part in this training cycle.

- The Humanitarian Needs Overview (needs assessment) process was finalized. The Protection Cluster provided OCHA with the number of people in need, the severity maps, and the narrative. The Humanitarian Response Planning (HRP) is underway. The Protection Cluster and its Sub-Clusters estimated that 3,434,500 people will need protection and aims to target 3,026,355 for prevention and response activities in 2021.

- The third Protection Note on the topic of attacks against medical structures was published and shared with partners and the Humanitarian Country Team. The note analyses the worrisome trend of an increase in attacks against medical installations and personnel, which was observed during 2020.
Protection

- From 5 to 7 November, a joint mission conducted by UNHCR, CNCR, and Stop Sahel was carried out at Faragouaran site, where Burkinabe refugees, currently living in Faladie site in Bamako, will be voluntarily relocated. The mission allowed to assess the conditions of the transfer and to announce it to the regional authorities. Some adjustments will be conducted before the transfer.

- From 24 to 26 November, UNHCR carried out an online training on Refugee Status Determination (RSD), targeting new agents and CNCR, UNHCR’s governmental partner, with the aim of improving the RSD system in Mali.

- From 18 to 27 November, UNHCR participated in an online Joint Senior Level Mission (JSLM) in Mali, to review the implementation of the operational scale-up and formulate recommendations. The different meetings allowed to review the varied activities undertaken, following the L2 Emergency Declaration as well as challenges.

- As part of the JSLM, four returning refugee leaders and internally displaced persons, including two women and two men, participated in online discussions with the mission and shared challenges they face, related to the security situation, social cohesion, as well as education.

Mixed Movements:

- In November, 691 persons on the move were identified in mixed flows from Mali, Guinea, Niger, Burkina Faso, Cote d’Ivoire, Nigeria, Togo, Benin, Ethiopia, Mauritania, Senegal and Algeria, including 284 in Gao, Menaka, and Kidal, 328 in Segou and Mopti, and 79 in Timbuktu. Of this number, 13 people (from Mali, Niger, Guinea and Burkina Faso) were deported from Algeria, while 14 others (from Mali, Guinea, Niger, Benin, Guinea, Burkina Faso and Nigeria) returned voluntarily from Algeria to Mali. No unaccompanied or separated children or persons of concern to UNHCR were identified during the period under review.

- UNHCR conducted 25 sensitization sessions on various themes related to mixed movements, reaching a total of 764 persons on the move, including 444 men and 320 women.

- On 13 November, a training session on international protection in the context of mixed movements was held in Goundam (Timbuktu), with 50 people (18 women and 32 men) representing local government authorities, defence and security forces, civil society actors, and persons in mixed movements.

Child protection

- On 9 and 10 November, in Timbuktu, UNHCR conducted a training for 40 teachers on capacity building in emergency situations as part of child protection activities. This training allowed to deepen their understanding of children’s psychosocial needs and to cover other topics such as referring children to state protection services, positive discipline, code of conduct for teachers, eradication of violence in schools, including physical and sexual violence.

- On 24 November, UNHCR participated in a meeting with refugees, candidates for voluntary repatriation. They were informed on the required formalities related to children’s travels, particularly those traveling with no biological parent. In a similar vein, on 26 November, three families were invited to participate in an assessment process regarding the best interest of their children.

Reception and Orientation:

- UNHCR provided four refugees with information on asylum conditions in Mali as well as documentation (Convention Travel Document) and updated their information in the registration system.

Education

- In Gao, as part of the Education Cannot Wait (ECW) project, UNHCR distributed 800 solar radios and 800 school kits to 800 children.

- In Mopti, as part of ECW, UNHCR distributed 415 solar radios and 803 school kits, reaching 803 children.

- In Timbuktu, as part of ECW and Japan Emergency Grand (JEG) projects, UNHCR distributed 500 solar radios, reaching 1,000 children.
In Timbuktu, UNHCR conducted a training on COVID-19 prevention in schools, psychosocial support and mental health, education and child protection in emergency settings, reaching 39 teachers, including 15 women and 24 men.

**Water and Sanitation**

- In Segou and Mopti, UNHCR conducted 54 sensitization sessions on COVID-19 barrier measures, hygiene, transportation and storage of water, reaching 1,013 persons, including 215 men, 449 women, 160 boys, and 189 girls, among returning refugees.
- In Kayes, UNHCR conducted 12 sensitization sessions, reaching 330 persons, including 106 men, 178 women, 18 boys and 28 girls, among refugees.
- In Menaka, UNHCR conducted a training session on administrative, financial, and technical management, for 12 members of the borehole management committee, including four women and eight men.
- In Gao, UNHCR constructed a borehole in Anchawadji commune, for returning refugees and their host population.

**Shelter and NFIs**

- In November, UNHCR provided 412 households with mud permanent shelters and 390 family tents.
- Since January, UNHCR provided shelter to 3,563 displaced and host households.
- Since January, UNHCR provided kits of Non-Food Items (NFI) to 2,166 households.

**Durable Solutions**

- From 16 to 23 November, UNHCR carried out a field mission to monitor and evaluate activities related to the registration mechanism in Timbuktu. It was noted that 95% of the activities were achieved.
- The voluntary repatriation of 24 households including 33 persons is ongoing.

**Supply**

- UNHCR ordered 125,000 core relief items (CRI), in addition to at least 132,000 CRIs on their way to UNHCR’s warehouse, to be distributed to persons of concern in Gao, Menaka, and Segou. UNHCR also acquired other household items intended to cover the basic needs of the 48 Burkinabe refugee households who will be relocated to Faragouran site.
- As part of supporting the Government’s efforts to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, UNHCR received six ambulances to be handed to the Government of Mali, through the Ministry of Health and Social Development. These ambulances were made available thanks to funding from the USA (PRM).
- Furthermore, UNHCR is in the process of receiving more medical equipment and supplies to be distributed among health structures and persons of concern. Other planned distributions consist of food, farm inputs and livestock feed.
Financial Information

UNHCR is grateful for the critical support provided by donors who have contributed to this operation as well as those who have contributed to UNHCR programs with unearmarked and broadly earmarked funds.

Total recorded contributions for the operation amount to some **US$ 31,989,012** million.

**EARMARKED CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FOR MALI | USD**

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**OTHER SOFTLY EARMARKED CONTRIBUTIONS | USD**

Germany 70.7 million | United States of America 61.8 million | United Kingdom 24.8 million | Denmark 14.6 million | Canada 10.2 million | Private donors Australia 9.5 million | Private donors USA 8.5 million | Private donors Japan 4.5 million | Private donors Germany 4.3 million | France 3.5 million | Spain 3.4 million | Ireland 3.3 million | Sweden 3 million | Private donors United Kingdom 2.3 million | Private donors Republic of Korea 2.3 million | Japan 2.1 million | Private donors Lebanon 2.1 million

Austria | Holy See | Iceland | Jersey | Liechtenstein | Morocco | Norway | Private donors |

**UNEARMARKED CONTRIBUTIONS | USD**

Sweden 76.4 million | Private donors Spain 66.8 million | Norway 41.4 million | Netherlands 36.1 million | Denmark 34.6 million | Private donors Republic of Korea 34 million | United Kingdom 31.7 million | Germany 25.9 million | Private donors Japan 25.1 million | Japan 23.8 million | Switzerland 16.4 million | Private donors Italy 15.7 million | France 14 million | Private donors Sweden 11.7 million | Italy 10.6 million

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