

# Uganda Refugee Emergency

## Situation Report

29 July – 4 August 2022

The conflict in North Kivu and Ituri provinces in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) continues. The situation remains unpredictable along the Kisoro border. New arrivals continue to cross into Uganda, and pendular movements by those returning to DRC to check on their homes, farms and pick food.

There has also been a tremendous increase of new arrivals through Bundibugyo district.

Out of the estimated 41,651 new arrivals (21,500 households) received in Kisoro since 28 March, 12,725 individuals have been relocated to settlements, 11,841 are spontaneous departures from the holding area and transit centre, while 17,085 are still living in the two locations.

The holding capacity at Nyakabande transit centre, Kisoro district, is overstretched by over 100 per cent.

Its initial capacity is 7,200 but the center currently hosts 17,085 individuals. Bubukwanga transit centre, Bundibugyo district has 1,558 individuals (502 households).

Other overstretched locations include, Lokung collection point in Lamwo district (over 500%), Kagoma reception centre in Kikuube district (59%) and Kabazana reception centre in Isingiro district (4%).

## KEY FIGURES – NATIONAL LEVEL

 **86,629 individuals**

Total number of new arrivals in Uganda since the start of 2022 (26,846 from South Sudan and 59,783 from DRC). An increase of 2,309 since last reporting period.

 **27,530 individuals**

Current population at transit and reception centers in Uganda (5,759 in West Nile and 21,771 in the South-West). A decrease of 1,058 since last reporting period.

## KEY FIGURES – KISORO DISTRICT

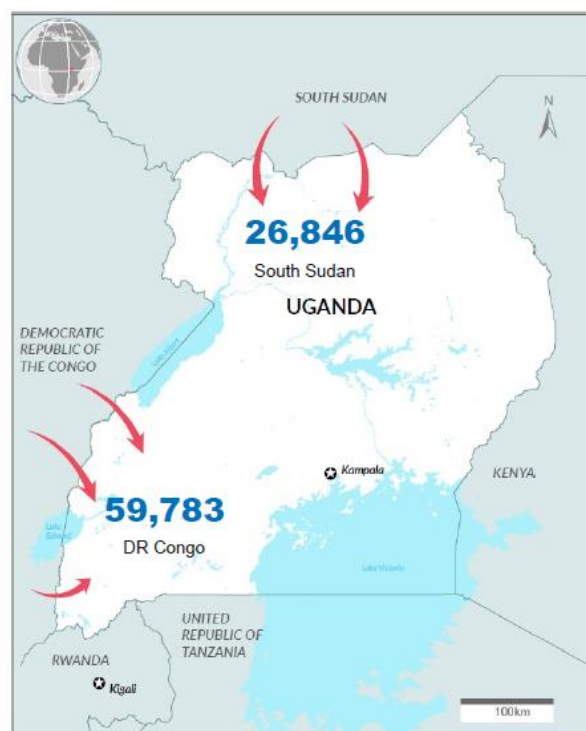
 **1,625,000**

Litres of water supplied to Nyakabande transit/ holding centre

 **19**

Active COVID-19 cases in isolation

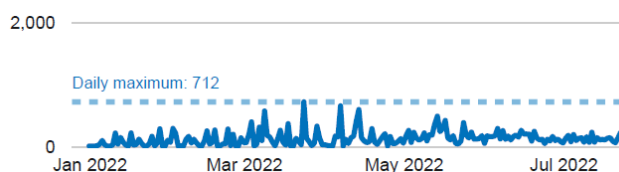
## INFLUX MAP



## ARRIVAL TRENDS

### Uganda - New arrivals from South Sudan

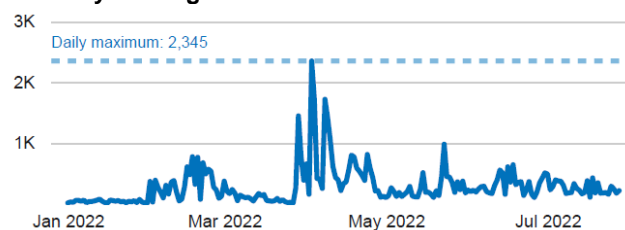
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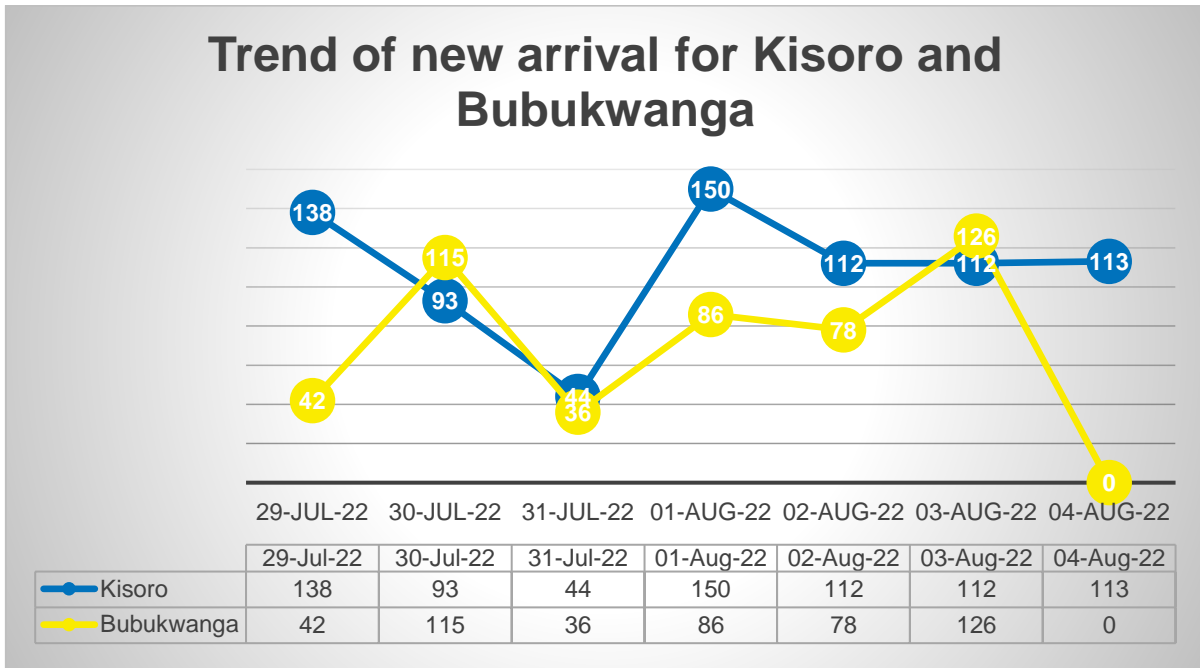
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## Operational Context – Kisoro



- Bunagana border remained calm with no report of clash between the different armed groups. However, there have been unconfirmed reports of military build-up from both sides. There has been protests in key cities and towns in North and South Kivu, against UN Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO). According to Aljazeera demonstrators attacked UN bases in at least four cities in the two provinces.
- Total population transported and received at the Nyakabande transit centre in the week was 762 individuals, bringing the total number of individuals received at the holding area and transit centre, since 28 March to 41,651 individuals (21,500 households). As of 4 August, the hosted 17,085 individuals.
- The Office of the Prime Minister (OPM) continues with Level 2 registration at the transit centre. During the week, 765 individuals (356 households) were biometrically registered.
- During reporting period, 450 individuals (184 households) were relocated to Nakivale refugee settlement. Cumulatively, 12,725 individuals have been relocated to settlements since 28 March 2022.
- A total of 1,147 new arrivals and humanitarian workers tested for COVID-19 during the week. Of these, 19 tested positive and are in isolation. Cumulatively, 32,352 tests have been conducted with 641 positive cases since 28 March 2022.
- Awareness raising sessions were conducted to new arrivals at the transit centre to inform them about the different services offered by the partner agencies; emphasize personal hygiene; promote peaceful co-existence with other refugees and host community; and relocations.

## Impact and Achievements

- **CHILD PROTECTION:** CAFOMI and Save the Children identified 149 children at risk both the transit centre and holding area, including 84 unaccompanied minors; 56 separated children; and nine children at risk. A total of 21 children was placed under temporary foster care arrangements
- Save the Children and War Child Holland are providing psychosocial support services to children and youth through structured play and games at both sites. This TeamUp programme is intended to support children to deal with their complicated feelings. Each activity has a specific goal related to themes such as dealing with anger, stress and interacting with others. It also helps them with a routine, continuity of culture and provide with basic numeracy and literacy skills.
- **MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT:** To strengthen community and family support systems and enhance positive coping mechanisms partners (CAFOMI, Friends of Kisoro, Lutheran World Federation and Humanity and Inclusion) reached 135 individuals (21 male and 114 female) through adult group counselling sessions, focus group discussions and community dialogues.
- **PHYSIOTHERAPY AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY:** The Humanity and Inclusion team provided rehabilitation services to 41 individuals (27 male and 14 female) with conditions such as delayed development, post-polio paralysis, paranesthesia, total hip arthroplasty, and cerebral palsy.
- **HOT MEALS:** CAFOMI prepared and provided hot meals (breakfast, lunch, and supper) to all individuals in both the holding centre and the transit centres.
- **WASH:** A total of 1,625,000 liters of water were supplied at the holding area and transit centre during the week (466,000 liters by National Water and Sewerage Corporation; 1,159,000 liters through water trucking).

## Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Flooding of the holding center compounds and sleeping shelters.
- Leaking of most of the temporary shelter roofs.
- Lack of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for the casual workers and hygiene promoters.

## Operational Context – Bundibugyo

- The cumulative population at the transit center is 1,558 individuals (502 households).
- There are three COVID-19 active cases in isolation at the Transit Centre, and this is being managed by Medical Teams International (MTI).
- By 4 August, 679 individuals (213 households) have been registered on BIMS and are ready for relocation.

## National level

- A supplement to the UCRRP is being developed to highlight ongoing needs of the emergency.
- Partners are requested to report on funding received through ActivityInfo.

**Working in Partnership:** OPM, UNHCR, ACORD, ACT, AIRD, ALIGHT, CAFOMI, CARE, Child Fund International, Friends of Kisoro, Humanity and Inclusion, ICRC, JAM, Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Malteser International, Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF), Medical Teams International (MTI), Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), Reach Initiative of Impact, Save the Children International, The Netherlands Red Cross, Transcultural Psychosocial Organization (TPO), Uganda 2040, Uganda Red Cross Society, UN Women, UNFPA, War Child and WFP.

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