

# Uganda Refugee Emergency

## Situation Report

5 – 11 August 2022

The situation along the Bunagana border is calm but unpredictable. New arrivals continue to cross into Uganda through Kibaya border and many sleep around Busanza and Bunagana town in Uganda.

Some of the asylum-seekers return to the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), to check on their homes, farms and pick food.

Out of the estimated 42,723 new arrivals received in Kisoro since 28 March, 13,923 individuals have been relocated to settlements, 11,696 are spontaneous departures from the holding area and transit centre, while 16,697 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 16,697 individuals. Bubukwanga transit centre, Bundibugyo district has 1,316 individuals (449 households).

Other overstrained locations include, Lokung collection point in Lamwo district (over 400%), Kagoma reception centre in Kikuube district (67%) and Kabazana reception centre in Isingiro district (80%).

## KEY FIGURES – NATIONAL LEVEL

 **89,045 individuals**

Total number of new arrivals in Uganda since the start of 2022 (28,289 from South Sudan and 60,756 from DRC). An increase of 2,416 since last reporting period.

 **26,907 individuals**

Current population at transit and reception centers in Uganda (4,292 in West Nile and 22,615 in the South-West). A decrease of 623 since last reporting period.

## KEY FIGURES – KISORO DISTRICT

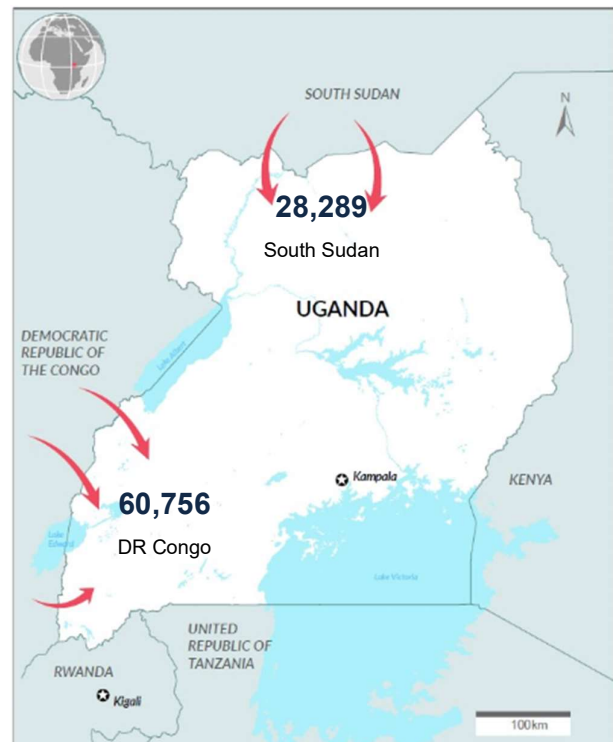
 **1,517,000**

Litres of water supplied to Nyakabande transit/ holding centre

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Active COVID-19 cases in isolation

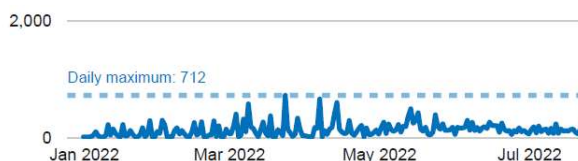
## INFLUX MAP



## ARRIVAL TRENDS

### Uganda - New arrivals from South Sudan

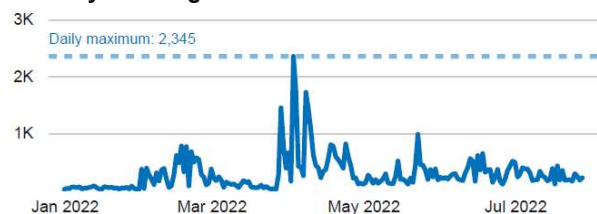
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SOURCE: OPM AND UNHCR

### Uganda - New arrivals from DRC

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## Operational Context – Kisoro



Fumigation exercise at the Nyakabande Transit Centre - photo ©CAFOMI

- Asylum seekers continued to cross to Uganda through Kibaya border and many sleep around Busanza and Bunagana town in Uganda while others are relocated to the transit with support from AIRD/UNHCR. Some PoCs go back to DRC to pick food stuffs and other property in the morning and return (pendular movement) to Uganda during evening time.
- Total population transported and received at the transit centre in the week was 797 individuals, bringing the total number of individuals received at the holding area and transit centre, since 28 March to 42,723 individuals. As of 11 August, the center hosted 16,697 individuals of whom, 594 were at the transit centre and 16,103 at the holding area.
- The Office of the Prime Minister (OPM) continues with Level 2 registration at the transit centre. During the week, 998 individuals (438 households) were biometrically registered.
- During the reporting period, 897 individuals (405 households), were relocated to Nakivale refugee settlement. Cumulatively, 13,923 individuals have been relocated to settlements since 28 March 2022.
- A total of 1,282 new arrivals and humanitarian workers tested for COVID-19 during the week. Of these, 10 tested positive and are in isolation. Cumulatively, 32,901 tests have been conducted, with 647 positive cases since 28 March 2022.
- **New arrivals from Kanungu:** During the week, a total of 45 individuals of 16 households were transferred to Kisoro for registration.

## Operational Context – Bundibugyo

- By the end of the reporting period, the cumulative population at the Bubukwanga transit center was 1,316 individuals (449 households).
- There was three COVID-19 active cases in isolation at the transit centre, and these are being managed by Medical Teams International (MTI).

- By 11 August, 664 individuals (195 households) had been registered on BIMS and ready for relocation.
- Awareness sessions were conducted to new arrivals at the transit centres to inform new arrivals about the different services offered by the partner agencies and relocations, as well as emphasize personal hygiene and peaceful co-existence with other refugees and host community.

### Operational Context – Kyangwali, North and West Nile

- Sebagoro transit centre and Kagoma reception centre in Kyangwali district received 68 individuals (31 households) bringing the cumulative number of new arrivals to 4,423 individuals (1,873 households), as of 10 August 2022.
- Kerwa collection centre and Goboro transit centre in Yumbe district received 17 individuals (8 households) during the week. By the end of the reporting period, number of new arrivals at the transit centre was 18 individuals (10 households).
- Elegu collection center in Amuru district and Lukung collection centre in Lamwo district, received a total of 1,150 from 191 households. Both collection and reception centres are managed by Adjumani sub-office.
- Kuluba collection centre in Koboko district received 83 individuals (25 households) and Imvepi reception centre in Terego district received 49 individuals (17 households). Both collection and reception centres are managed by Arua sub-office.

### Impact and Achievements in Kisoro

- **CHILD PROTECTION:** CAFOMI and Save the Children identified 143 children at risk at both the transit centre and holding area, including 78 unaccompanied minors, 58 separated children and seven children at risk. A total of 29 children was placed under temporary foster care arrangements. Since 28 March 2022, the total number of children placed under temporary foster care arrangement is 396 (253 male and 143 female).
- 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 is intended to reduce on the stressful and psychological distress experienced due to effects of violence from their country of origin. This 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 65 individuals (13 male and 52 female), through adult group counselling sessions, focus group discussions and community dialogues.
- **PHYSIOTHERAPY AND OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY:** The Humanity and Inclusion team was able to provide rehabilitation services to 44 individuals (20 male and 24 female), with conditions such as spina bifida, osteoarthritis, cerebral palsy, fracture, and spinal cord injury

- **HOT MEALS:** CAFOMI prepared and provided hot meals (breakfast, lunch, and supper) to all individuals in both the holding area and transit centre.
- **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

- Wastage of water by the refugees. Pull down taps will be required to minimize wastage of water.
- Poor drainage at the holding center leading to flooding of the compound and sleeping shelters. There is need to fill some parts with murrum and trenches excavated to direct surface run-off water away from the settled environment
- Reconstruction of the Kitchen queuing shade for hot meal serving is still on hold pending delivery of poles to complete the remaining work.

### 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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