Overview

Top 4 Sector achievements in Q4 2022

A - 100% of newly arrived refugee families received NFIs
B - 5,102 refugee families provided with emergency shelter kits upon plot allocation
C - 771 PSN households assisted with semi permanent shelter
D - 192.4 Kilometers of road rehabilitated

The primary objective of the sector is to ensure comprehensive settlement planning so as to have a conducive environment for socio-economic transformation and resilience in all refugee settlements and hosting communities. In 2022 this was expected to be achieved through construction of roads, upgrading of reception facilities, rehabilitating, and maintaining projects through a project management approach as well as developing comprehensive physical plans and demarcating land for shelter, livelihood, institutional use, common spaces, and buffer zones.

In line with the UNHCR mandate, the sector ensures refugees receive appropriate and timely assistance in line with the sector strategy. This includes shelter kits to enable them to construct their emergency shelter with the intention of upgrading them to semi-permanent shelter and non-food item (NFI) support in line with the minimum agreed standards for Uganda. The sector, through direct labour and technical support, continues to ensure semi-permanent shelters are constructed for persons with specific needs using market and community-based approaches. This is done once land has been identified, assessed for suitability, plots demarcated and allocated to households.

A key objective for the sector is to ensure that shelter options blend in with host communities, as such, it continues to push for the implementation of a revised shelter strategy that considers more environmentally sustainable, culturally sensitive, and flexible designs. In addition, a key approach throughout the settlements is the continued establishment of settlement planning guidelines.

Sector Achievements

With increased influx of refugees in the fourth Quarter, 5102 refugee households received emergency shelter kits upon plot allocation i.e., 486 for SSD, 3964 for DRC and 662 others in anticipation that this will be upgraded to semi-permanent shelter in line with shelter strategy. Despite UNHCR not supporting shelter since 2019, Partners continued to support extremely vulnerable households with semi-permanent shelters. A total of 771 PSN were supported with semi permanent shelter Q4

Challenges

Without shelter partners from 2019 to date, there has remained a big gap in the provision of PSN shelter across the operation to cater for all PSN. Just a hand full was catered for due to limited funds amidst competing priorities by the partners. Regarding roads infrastructure in settlements, out of planned 552 km of roads in 2022, 192.4 Kilometres of Roads were rehabilitated. 28.9 kilometres by UNHCR through DI while 163.5 done by DRDIP. This has continued to constrain mobility of goods and services across the settlements.

Others include,
- Influxes exert pressure on limited reception facilities which most of them are temporary
- Ever decreasing land for settlement
- Hurried allocation, leading to settlement in unsuitable locations, encroachments, inaccurate allocations, and prioritization of shelter plot over agricultural plot.
- Increase in refugees puts pressure on existing settlement and host community infrastructure such as roads, schools, health centers and other communal facilities, leading to implementation of temporary solutions that are possible within the available resources.

Key priorities

- It remains a priority as a sector to continue provision of emergency shelter kits to Refugee families upon plot demarcation and allocation to ensure minimum shelter achievement.
- Roads in the settlements remain impassable, therefore making movement of goods and services still problematic. It therefore remains a priority for the sector.
- Upgrading of temporary communal shelters at reception and transit facilities into permanent shelters.
- Systematic plot demarcation for both shelter and livelihoods to ensure sustainable settlement development.

Key indicators

Achievements per quarter Q1 Q2 Q3 annual target

Refugee households provided with the minimum shelter support

5,073
8%

Refugee households with Specific needs assisted with semi-permanent shelters

498
78%

OUTCOME: Ensure the minimum shelter standards for all refugees are met

Indicator Actual Target (2022) against annual target

New arrival Households receiving emergency shelter support

- Congolese refugees 3,954 30,000 13%
- South Sudanese refugees 486 20,000 2%
- Other refugees 662 17,000 2%

Achievements data: ActivityInfo + Joint Border Monitoring
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Refugee households with specific needs assisted with semi-permanent shelters

- Congolese refugees: 143 HH (71%)
- South Sudanese refugees: 355 HH (89%)
- Host community: 0 HH (0%)

**Modality**

- Construction (0%)
- Cash-based assistance (100%)
- Repair (0%)

**Partners**

Alight, Caritas, Catholic Relief Services (CRS), Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Uganda Refugee Disaster and Management Council (URDMC)

**Operational presence** (based on activities reported during January - September 2022)

- Koboko: URDMC, UNHCR
- Yumbe: CRS, URDMC, UNHCR
- Kikuube: CRS, UNHCR
- Kyegegwa: Alight, Caritas, UNHCR
- Isingiro: CRS, NRC, UNHCR

**Funding**

$37M

$2M

$35M

Received (5%)

Gap (95%)

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