DJIBOUTI

19 september 2024

POPULATION OF CONCERN

31 825

Refugee and Asylum seekers as of 31 August[1]

23 489

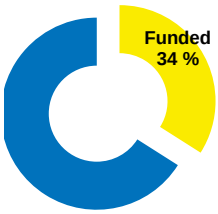
Refugees

8 336

Asylum seekers

FUNDING

22.2 M $ requested for Djibouti operation in 2024[2]



7.6 M $ received as 31 July 2023

[1] Statistics

[2] Djibouti-funding-update

OPERATIONALDEVELOPMENTS

Government agents received training on international protection and refugee status determination @UNHCR/Sonia Karibagiza

Students in Djibouti Returned to School including over 4,369 refugees: September marked the start of the 2024-2025 academic year across Djibouti. About 157,957 students were received in all levels of education including over 4,369 refugee students composed of 2,818 from Ali-Addeh, 1,127 from Holl-Holl and 424 from Markazi refugee villages. In Djibouti, refugee students have access to all levels of education according to the Comprehensive Refugee Response Framework.

Government agents received training on international protection and refugee status determination processes. On 18 September 2024, UNHCR in collaboration with ONARS with the support from IGAD provided training for over 20 government agents (ONARS) working on refugee protection including registration, and status determination. For 3 days, the trainees will be equipped with knowledge that will help them to understand the legal and institutional framework for refugee protection in Djibouti, master the criteria and procedures for determining refugee status and strengthen their skills in assessing asylum applications, and learn more about refugee rights and obligations. This training comes at a crucial time when UNHCR and ONARS are working on clock to have more than 8000 asylum seekers registered and their cases submitted to the eligibility commission.

UNHCR Staffs received training on the Prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse and Sexual harassment. From 16 to 17 September 2024, about 37 UNHCR staffs attended a 2-day training on Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) and sexual harassment. The training will equip them with required knowledge to protect themselves and people they serve.

REFUGEE RESPONSE

UNHCR continued to provide protection assistance to people under its mandate. During the reporting period, UNHCR continued to provide regular protection assistance to people under its mandate. Seven household with 12 newly arrived people were registered in urban areas, 34 certificates and identity documents were renewed, and 11 individual cases were received, advised, and referred to the relevant services. UNHCR also distributed firewood for cooking to 583 household composed of 3,009 individuals in Holl-Holl refugee village.

UNHCR met with the Director General of National Agency for People living with disability (ANPH). On 16 September, UNHCR representative met with the Director General of ANPH, the National Agency for People living disability Mr Doualeh SAID MAHAMOUD. The discussions focused on tackling challenges and empowering people living with disabilities including about 121 refugees living with disability that were included in the national system for people living with disability. The Mobility Inclusive Cards production is also ongoing for the 121 refugees, the card will allow them to have access to a range of advantages and services such as education, health, jobs etc. The two agencies also agreed to plan the enrollment of the remaining refugees living with disability.

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