

## CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (CAR)

26 January – 1 February 2025



*Continued influx of Sudanese refugees to Am Daffock border crossing in Birao, Central African Republic in February 2025. @UNHCR*

### Highlights

- The security situation in Sudanese refugee-hosting areas remained generally calm during the reporting week. However, the risk of deterioration persists due to the presence of armed groups, particularly along border areas with Sudan.
- As a result of the temporary closure of the International Medical Corps (IMC) medical center in Korsi, children under five and pregnant women were referred to Birao district hospital, while other patients received treatment from the Centre de Sport en Santé Internationale (CSSI) team. During the reporting week, 817 medical consultations were conducted in Korsi, a slight decrease from 971 the previous week.

### Cash assistance and Non-Food Items (NFIs)

Between 27 and 30 January, WFP, in collaboration with UNHCR and its partners NOURRIR and the National Commission for Refugees (CNR), distributed cash for food to 12,773 Sudanese refugees (5,033 families) in Korsi, Birao. Additionally, 572 recently arrived refugees (204 families) in Korsi received non-food items—including mattresses, blankets, jerrycans, cooking utensils, and mosquito nets—from UNHCR. WFP also distributed 4,423 tons of dry food to support the refugee population.

### Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)

The construction of semi-durable latrines and water towers was suspended, further worsening WASH conditions for Sudanese refugees.

The current daily water supply is 5.95 liters per person, significantly below the Sphere standard of 15 liters per person. In response, UNHCR's partner NOURRIR has begun water trucking, while refugees increasingly rely on alternative water points within host communities.

The current ratio stands at 45 people per latrine, meeting the emergency phase standard (50 people per latrine) but falling short of the long-term standard (20 people per latrine).

### Health and Nutrition

From 25 to 31 January, medical teams from the Centre de Sport en Santé Internationale (CSSI) and the International Medical Corps (IMC), under the coordination of the Vakaga Health District, carried out 817 medical consultations in Korsi. Of these, 89 consultations, representing 11 per cent, were for the host population, while 728, or 89 per cent, were for refugees, including 213 new arrivals. Since the start of 2025, a total of 3,778 consultations have been conducted, with 10 per cent provided to host communities.

The leading causes of illness remain malaria, with 288 cases accounting for 35 per cent of consultations, acute respiratory infections with 285 cases, also at 35 per cent, and intestinal parasitosis, which affected 125 patients or 15 per cent. All patients received outpatient treatment.

During the reporting period, 47 pregnant women received prenatal consultations, bringing the total to 203 in 2025. Two postnatal consultations were conducted, raising the total for the year to 10. A total of 51 women received gynecological consultations, with 246 consultations recorded since January. Seven women received family planning services, bringing the total to 47 for 2025. Seven babies were delivered during the week, contributing to a total of 15 deliveries and newborns recorded this year.

Malnutrition screening was conducted for 237 children aged six to 59 months during medical consultations. Seven cases of moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) and three cases of severe acute malnutrition (SAM) were identified and treated. Since the start of the year, a total of 49 cases of MAM and 11 cases of SAM have been recorded and treated out of 1,169 children screened.

A total of 11 patients were referred from Korsi to Birao District Hospital during the week, bringing the total to 66 for 2025. Six pregnant women received tetanus vaccines, and three children were vaccinated with multi-antigen vaccines.

Two new mental health cases were identified and treated during the reporting period, with the primary causes including depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, psychosis, and epilepsy. Since January, 26 mental health cases have been recorded, including 18 among refugees and eight among the host community.

In Bamingui-Bangoran, WFP and Plan International distributed food to Sudanese refugees outside Ndélé, reaching 828 people, or 213 families, in Akroussoulbak, 450 people from 114 families in Koundi, and 206 people from 65 families in Zobossinda.

## Response Plans and Funding Situation

### Sudan Regional Refugee Response Plan (RRP) – January – December 2025

- The Sudan Regional Refugee Response Plan 2025 will be presented along with the Sudan HRP on 17 February 2025 at an event in Geneva. It is an appeal for **USD 1.8 billion for 111 partners** to provide essential aid and protection to a total of **5 million people in seven countries** by the end of 2025. This includes 4 million refugees, returnees, and others who have fled the ongoing conflict in Sudan and over 800,000 host community members. For more information, please see the [Sudan Regional Refugee Response Plan - At a Glance](#).

### UNHCR Supplementary Appeal – January - December 2025

- UNHCR's financial requirement for 2025 for the [Sudan situation emergency response](#) – in

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Sudan and RRP countries – amounts to **USD 1.1 billion**.

## Resources

- UNHCR dashboard: [Sudan Situation: One year on](#)
- Data story: [Sudan: One year of spiralling conflict and displacement](#)
- [End of Year Report Sudan Regional RRP 2023](#)
- UNHCR's [Operational Data Portal \(ODP\) for the Sudan Situation](#) provides daily updates on the refugee and returnee arrivals in Sudan's neighbouring countries.
- [UNHCR Global Focus Sudan Operation page](#)
- [UNHCR Sudan Emergency website](#)

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