



Current Situation:

430 South Sudanese arrivals have been received in Kakuma through Nadapal border in the past one week at an average arrival rate of about 90 people per day. Numbers have continued to decline due to heavy rains which have rendered roads impassable. As of 20th May, the total number of South Sudanese asylum seekers received was 36,880. This brings the total estimated camp population to 167,620. The daily arrivals trend has continued as illustrated:

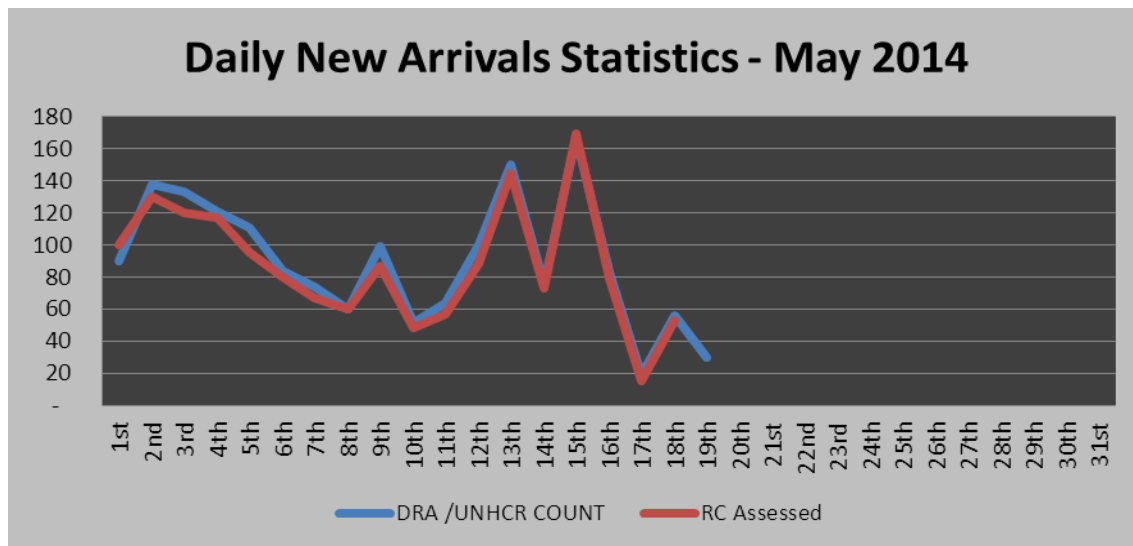


Illustration 1: Daily arrivals trend from 01/05/14 to 20/05/14.

Developments:

- 318 refugees and asylums seekers relocated from Nairobi and other urban centres were received in the past week, bringing the total number of relocated persons so far to 1,616. The group has a myriad of concerns ranging from mothers separated from their children, claims of harassment and extortion by the police, pending resettlement cases to businesses and properties left unattended. Their concerns are being addressed by the protection teams in conjunction with the Department of

Refugee Affairs and UNHCR Nairobi. One of the cases involving a relocated child with urgent medical needs was assisted to go back to Nairobi for medical attention.

- The CEO of IKEA Foundation visited Kakuma last week and was accompanied by the UNHCR Representative and a team from UNHCR Innovation. The delegation toured various facilities in the camp which included Morneau Shepell School, IRC hospital, Don Bosco Vocational Training Center, Community Technology Access (CTA) and Kakuma 4. The group was also briefed by partners on Kakuma operations and the challenges/gaps. There were useful discussions and exchange of ideas with a view to finding solutions to the identified challenges.



Operational Highlights

Operations continued in the four key fronts of the emergency response - at the border, transportation to the camp, at the reception center and new settlement area in Kakuma 4.

1. Primary Health

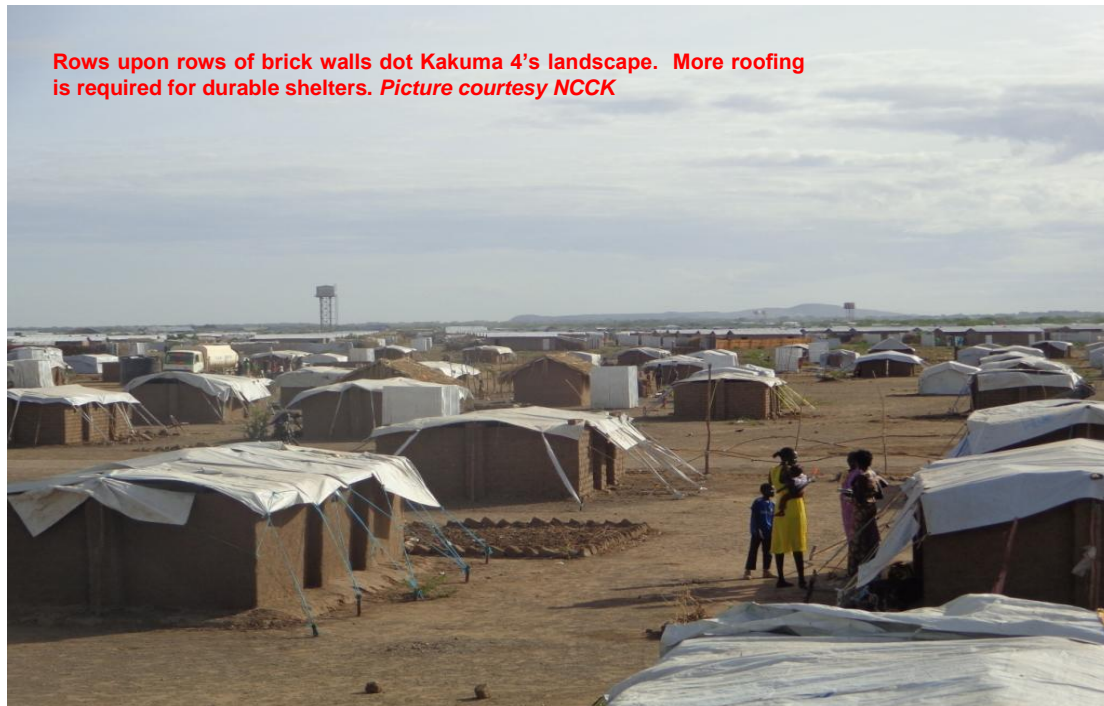
- The measles outbreak is over - all the blood samples sent to Kenya Medical Research Institute (KEMRI) since 19th April 2014 tested negative for measles. A cumulative total of 171 suspected and confirmed cases were admitted at IRC hospital (140) and Lopiding Hospital (31). Only one death was reported during the period and the overall case fatality rate was 0.6%.
- South Sudanese new arrivals received in the past week were in stable health condition.
- No excess morbidity or mortality was reported among new arrivals settled in Kakuma 4. The incidence rate of the leading diseases like malaria, respiratory tract infection and watery diarrhea were slightly lower than in the older refugee population.
- Crude mortality rate and under-five (U5s) mortality rate was also low, at around 0.2/10,000/ day and 0.5/10,000/ day respectively compared to the threshold of 1/10,000/ day for crude and 2/10,000/ day for U5s.

2. Nutrition

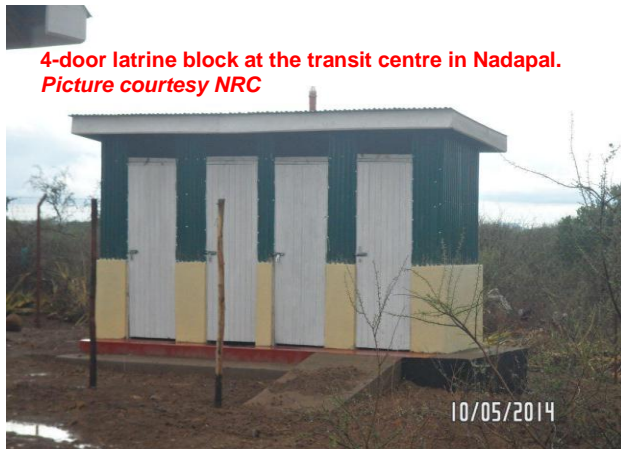
- The prevalence of Global Acute Malnutrition (GAM) and Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) among new arrivals between May 11th- 17th was 16.3% and 10.4% respectively. Both the GAM and SAM were above the WHO acceptable threshold of <15% for GAM. The SAM was way above the 3% threshold for an emergency situation. All the identified malnourished children were enrolled in appropriate feeding program for nutritional rehabilitation.
- As at 17th May, there were over 501 refugee children (6-59 months) with severely acute malnutrition admitted in Out-Patient Therapeutic Program (OTP) for nutritional rehabilitation. Out of that number, 222 (44.3%) were new arrivals from South Sudan which is a significant proportion given that new arrivals form only 21.4% of the total camp population.
- Additional 1,444 children and 102 pregnant and lactating mothers with moderate acute malnutrition were also undergoing nutrition rehabilitation. 5,234 others aged 6-23 months were enrolled in blanket supplementary feeding program for prevention of malnutrition

3. Shelter and Infrastructure

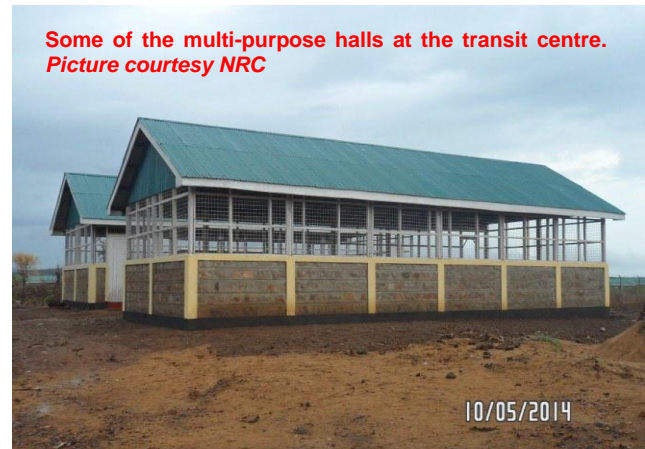
- 764 roofs for durable shelters have been done so far. A lot more work needs to be done as there are about 1,900 unroofed mud walls erected by new arrivals in Kakuma 4.



- Phase one of construction at the transit centre in Nadapal is complete and includes:
 - 5 multi-purposes halls
 - 4 pit latrine blocks(with 4 doors)
 - perimeter fence, gate and garbage pit
 - Kitchen
 - Security Screening shade
 - Gen-set house
 - Guard house



4-door latrine block at the transit centre in Nadapal.
Picture courtesy NRC



Some of the multi-purpose halls at the transit centre.
Picture courtesy NRC

Phase two of construction which includes staff accommodation, an office block, medical screening room and the septic tank has started.

4. Distribution of NFIs

- AAR Japan has placed an order for some 350 solar reading lights and these are expected by end of the week. Additionally, distribution of sandals to school-going children continued with around 600 pairs set aside specifically for UAMs.
- A consignment of clothes (over 30 boxes) donated by the US Embassy was received in the week and plans are underway to organize for distribution to identified vulnerable persons and children.

5. Education

- Over 6, 000 children have been registered in the two emergency schools at the new site resulting in inadequate capacity of teaching staff and congestion due to the continuous influx. Aside from the construction of additional classrooms at the site, a recruitment process for 50 additional teachers is underway to support the introduction of double shift in all the primary schools and to address the gap caused by limited number of teachers.
- Distribution of over 33, 800 assorted text books donated by UNICEF is on-going and expected to be completed this week.

6. Protection and SGBV

- The Protection Unit continued with border monitoring activities and attended to refugees and asylum seekers relocated from Nairobi, Mombasa and other urban centres.
- Community awareness and sensitization activities on SGBV are on-going with special focus on Kakuma 4. Case workers are conducting home visits to identify and support vulnerable individuals as part of the preventive measures.
- An identification process for survivors of SGBV is on-going and individuals are provided needed support through the existing response structures.
- Distribution of sanitary supplies to women and girls of reproductive age is on-going for over 33, 000 beneficiaries in addition to the emergency supplies provided to women upon arrival at the reception center.

7. Child Protection

- As at 19th May 2014, a total of 786 unaccompanied children (UAMs) and 5,190 separated children (SC) had been received since the influx started. This brings the cumulative total of UAMs and SC in Kakuma to 3,384 and 11,395 respectively.
- Out of the UAMs received, 549 including 372 South Sudanese children have completed UNHCR/DRA registration.

- 90 UAMs in child headed households were relocated to the community after completing their registration process. The households are linked to support families with the same ethnic background to support, monitor and guide the children.
- All UAMS relocated to the community have been registered in schools and provided with educational supplies. Home visits and monitoring is ongoing to assess how well the children are integrating and provide them with needed support.
- 2 child counselors have been employed by LWF to support child protection interventions and provide focused support to those requiring special psychosocial support and counseling.

8. Water and Sanitation

- 1,068 communal latrines have been constructed so far for the new arrivals in Kakuma 4. The latrine to user ration now stands at 1:34, which is within the UNHCR standard for emergencies of 1:50.
- Distribution of latrine cleaning kits (soap, buckets and brooms) was done - one cleaning kit is provided for every 4 households and one family is chosen to keep custody of the kits.
- Water trucking continued at the site where there are currently 35 water tanks. Per capita water delivery is at an average of 19 litres per day.
- AAR japan continued with pipe laying for the main line which is almost done - about 90% complete. A pump has also been installed at the newly drilled borehole and once pipeline is completed, water will be pumped to Kakuma 4.

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<http://data.unhcr.org/SouthSudan/regional.php>