

## KEY FIGURES

**45,082**

Asylum seekers received since influx began in December 2013.

**2,747**

UAMS in Kakuma Camp.

**12**

SGBV cases reported in the past week.

**16.8**

Litres of water provided per person per day in Kakuma.

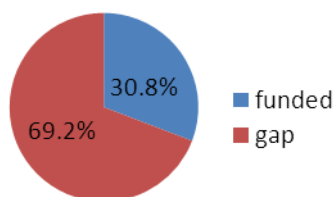
**7,115**

Number of roofed durable shelters in Kakuma 4.

## FUNDING

**USD 29.8 MILLION**

Requested for the operation



## PRIORITIES

- Facilitating general distribution of NFIs to households in the entire camp
- Finalizing Partner Agreements for 2015.
- Monitor trends of daily new arrivals and their unhindered access to asylum.

## KENYA

### KAKUMA OPERATIONAL UPDATE

29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY – 4<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2015

### HIGHLIGHTS

- As at 4<sup>th</sup> February 2015, Kakuma had received 45,082 asylum seekers from South Sudan. The total camp population is currently at 179,843. As at 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 179,800 refugees had been registered by UNHCR and DRA, with South Sudanese making up 49.5% of the registered population.
- On 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2015, the Programme Director for Nduna Foundation which is a private foundation visited Kakuma for the first time on a familiarization tour. He is also a key advocate for UNHCR and refugee children in philanthropic circles and has established the Protection Initiative for Refugee Children (PIRC) that he is spearheading among private donors interested in refugee children. He is using this as a platform to mobilize private donors for the sake of refugee children.

The Programme Director for Nduna Foundation, EJ Jacobs interacts with refugee children and youth in Kakuma 4. UNHCR/ C. Wachiaya



# UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

## Operational Context

- UNHCR has continued to field border monitoring visits to Nadapal three days a week with the aim of ensuring that asylum seekers received at the border have unhindered access to asylum and are treated humanely.
- The trend of daily new arrivals has remained low with UNHCR continuing to receive new arrivals at the transit centre in Nadapal. Arrivals undergo initial medical screening and receive hot meals and accommodation; they stay at the centre for an average of three days before being transported to the camp. The trend continues to be monitored closely for any possible upsurge.
- Issues of visa charges at the border by Immigration officials continue to pose a challenge to the unhindered passage of asylum seekers, despite the prima-facie status conferred on them by the Kenya Government. The matter has been raised with the government and the Commissioner of Refugee Affairs in a bid to stop these charges which are against Kenyan and International law.

## Achievements

### Protection

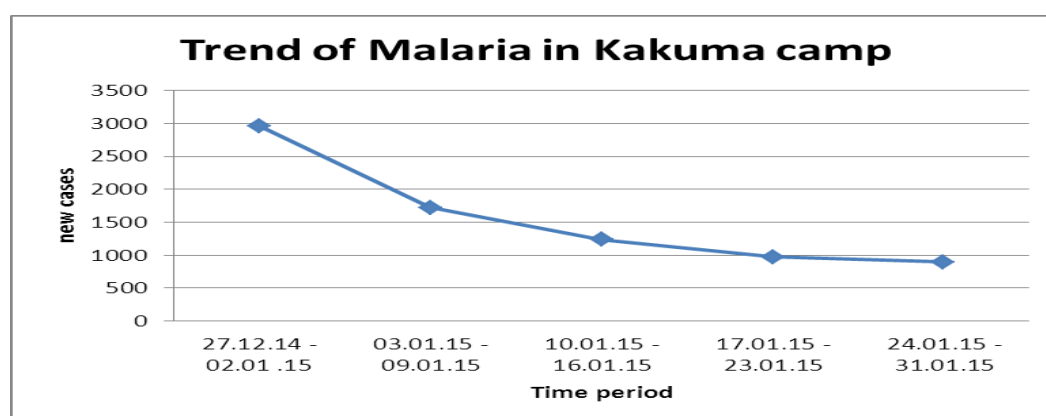
#### Achievements and Impact

- As per LWF data's of 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 1,252 new UAMS and 6,653 separated children had arrived in the Kakuma camps since December 2013. Since then to date, 1,155 UAMs including 820 South Sudanese UAMs and 4,869 separated children have been registered, bringing the cumulative number of registered UAMs in Kakuma to 2,747 and 11,894 separated children.
- 12 SGBV cases were reported in the course of the reporting period. The survivors received psychosocial counseling services and medical treatment. NCCK and LWF conducted 63 home visits in the course of the week to assess the progress of SGBV survivors and vulnerable community members.
- UNHCR facilitated an outreach session in the camp for SGBV survivors where a total of 718 (288M and 430F) participants attended. The discussions were on ways to make the community aware of the available resources in terms of vocational training. The common proposed activities by participants included weaving, tailoring, catering, dressmaking, hair dressing and adult education.

### Health

#### Achievements and Impact

- The general health status of refugees remained stable during the week. The weekly disease surveillance report showed a steady decline in incidence of malaria, one of the major causes of morbidity and mortality of under-fives.



- African Medical and Research Foundation (AMREF) specialists comprising a pediatrician, obstetrician/gynecologist and sonographer and a general surgeon were on ground from 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> February 2015 to provide specialized services to refugees and the host community.
- An outbreak control coordination meeting attended by WASH and Health actors was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February at IRC to review the cholera preparedness and response plan following an outbreak in Mathare slums in Nairobi. Enough stock-pile of drugs and medical supplies for management of an initial 200 cases were found to be available. Active surveillance of watery diarrhea and health education on control of watery diarrhea is ongoing across the camp.

### Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

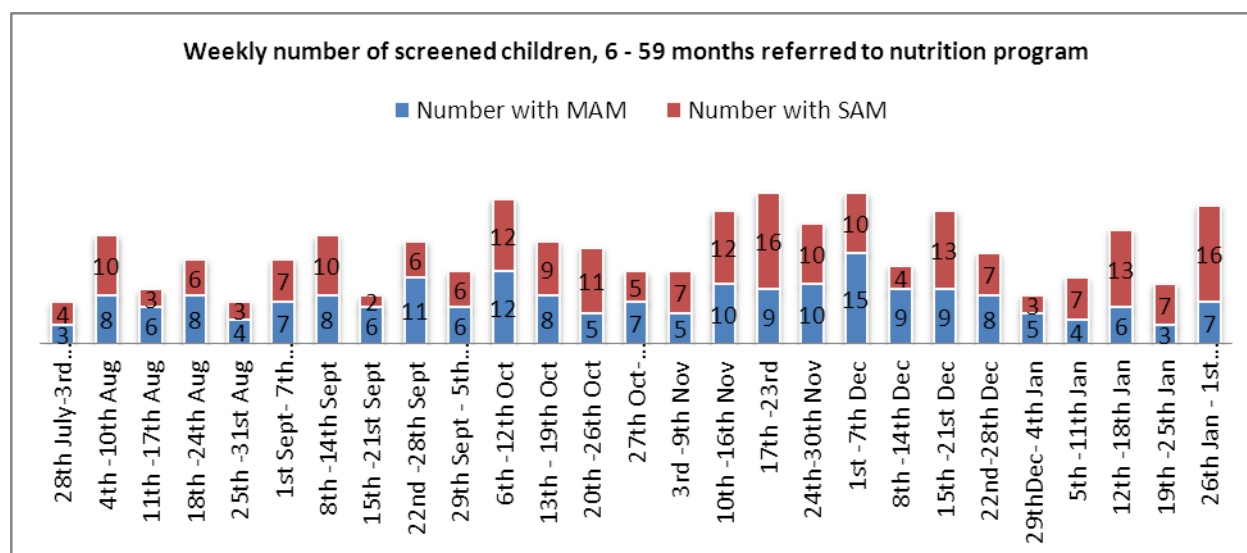
- There has been a high turnover of staff including top management, doctors, nurses, allied health professionals and trained refugee incentive workers; this creates a gap in consistent efficiency of service delivery to persons of concern. Staff recruitment is ongoing to fill in the gap and new staff are expected by March 2015.
- Supply of condoms has been inadequate and while UNFPA has provided 50,000 pieces of condoms to lighten the current shortage, the stock may run out after three months. UNHCR has made plans to purchase some 2 million pieces for both Dadaab and Kakuma camps. Additionally, a request has been submitted to the County Health Department.
- There has been insufficient supply of vaccines and associated supplies, including solo-shots. UNICEF has promised to procure additional immunization commodities from Copenhagen to mitigate shortages experienced in the refugee camp.



## Food Security and Nutrition

### Achievements and Impact

- During the reporting week ending on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2015, 58 children aged 6-59 months, among the new arrivals were screened for acute malnutrition. 16 children screened (27.6%) had acute malnutrition, 7 (12.1%) had severe acute malnutrition, while 9(15.5%) had moderate acute malnutrition.



## Water and Sanitation

### Achievements and Impact

- The total amount of water supplied to residents in Kakuma 4 during the reporting week was 6,051m<sup>3</sup>. This translated to per capita water distribution of 16.8 litres per person per day. The decrease in supply is

linked to breakdown of one borehole's performance which has been deteriorating thus leading to the installation of a smaller pump.

- The latrine coverage in Kakuma 4 is at 1:18 for both family shared and household latrines.
- Team & Team International finalized the installation of a submersible pump and generator at the newly drilled borehole (borehole 6B) which was drilled to replace an older borehole whose yield is dwindling. The new borehole will inject an additional 35,000 litres per hour to the existing supply network.
- One borehole drilled by Team and Team which had high fluoride content has been de-commissioned due to reduced discharge occasioned by the grouting process. UNHCR has identified two collapsed boreholes, Borehole 4A and Borehole 4B which Team and Team are going to replace.
- There were three WASH missions during the week from various support partners; meetings were held with an AAR Japan representative who pledged to support the camp by drilling new boreholes and equipping them with solar pumping system. Another meeting was held with Peace Winds Japan who is willing to support the camp with sanitation interventions. Solvaten, an alternative energy organization is carrying out solar aided water treatment pilot project in the host community. They would like to implement the same in the refugee camp and discussions will continue on the same.

## Shelter and NFIs

### Achievements and Impact

- The General Distribution for NFIs which commenced on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2014 continued during the reporting week and is expected to end on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2014. The distribution targets residents from Kakuma 1 to 4. This distribution comes almost 4 years since the last one was done in 2011. UNHCR has identified a target population of 96,600 individuals (25,250 households) who will receive kitchen sets, mosquito nets, blankets and jerry cans. The beneficiaries include most vulnerable groups and households that have not received NFIs for over 4 years.

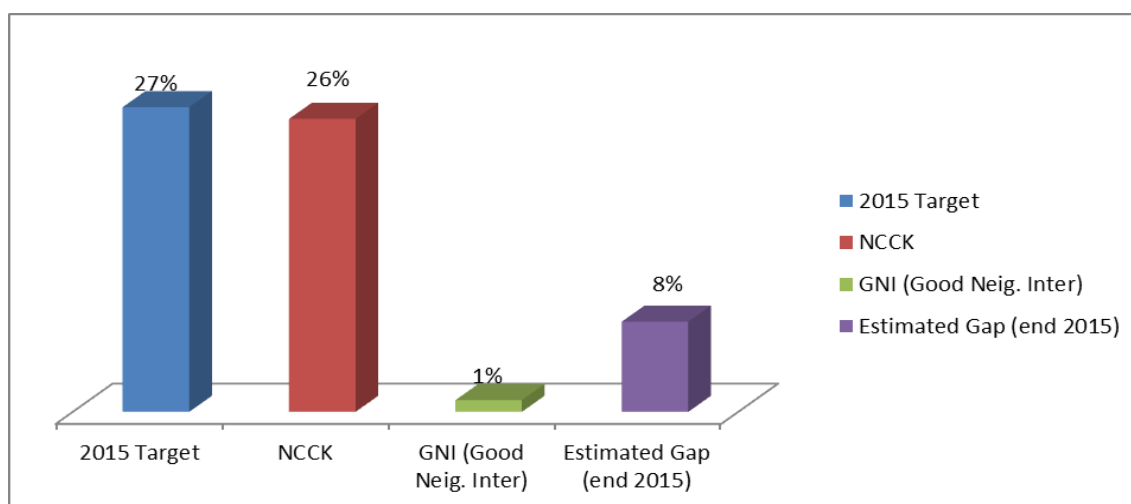


Beneficiaries targeted for the general NFI distribution collect their non-food items at a general distribution centre in Kakuma 3. UNHCR/ C. Wachiaya

- During the reported week, the two shelter partners – NCK and Good Neighbors International (GNI) begun implementation of the 2015 shelter project. Out of the 2015 target of 7,500 shelters, NCK has completed 130 units for old caseload in Kakuma 1. As at 1<sup>st</sup> February 2015, 92% of new arrivals relocated to Kakuma 4 had durable shelters against 8% of households who were in emergency shelters. The remaining gap will be gradually reduced as the construction of durable shelters progresses. During the reporting period, GNI has



been able to construct 85 transitional shelters in Kakuma 1. The pilot phase of the project is ongoing and the remaining shelters will be completed before end of February.



Overview of the 2015 shelter planning project with different stakeholders (based on estimated gap by end of 2014.)

### Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- The need for land remains a critical and urgent one as the camp has surpassed its design capacity of 125,000 by over 55,000 refugees, resulting in overstretched facilities and congestion. Discussions between UNHCR, DRA, the County Government, local leadership and the host community have yielded some results – a piece of land has been identified about 20kms from Kakuma for development of a new camp. The target capacity would be 80,000 refugees and the layout caters approximately for 1,300 ha of agricultural land. However, consistent technical site surveys and hydrogeological studies will be conducted by UNHCR technical units which will be followed by a sequence of activities for the site development including, opening of roads, site clearing, drilling and land sections demarcation once the land is officially approved and obtained. This is pending the endorsement of the Governor and signing of a Memorandum of Agreement between the Governor, DRA and UNHCR as a witness to the agreement.

### Working in partnership

- UNHCR continues to work closely with the Government, DRA and other partners to ensure support to refugees and asylum seekers is assured. Bi-monthly Inter-Agency meetings continue to be held as well as monthly meetings with refugee leaders from the entire camp.

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total recorded contributions for the emergency operation amount to **US\$ 29.8 million** representing **30.8%** of the requested funding.

UNHCR is grateful for the critical support provided by donors who have contributed to this operation as well as those who have contributed to UNHCR programmes with un-earmarked and broadly earmarked funds.

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