

Emergency Update Dollo Ado, Ethiopia 12 August 2011



*Immunisation of all children under 15 gets underway in Kobe camp in the Dollo Ado area
Photo: UNHCR*

Highlights:

- The measles immunisation of some 18,000 refugee children in the Kobe camp in the Dollo Ado area of south-eastern Ethiopia kicked off Thursday in response to the recent outbreak of suspected measles in the refugee camps.
- Vigorous community surveillance through a door-to-door screening exercise has enabled the identification of new suspected measles cases. A total of 93 cases have been identified in the Dollo Ado camps
- Relocation of refugees from the transit centre in Dollo Ado town to the new Hilaweyn camp continues. Since 06 August, more than 6,000 refugees have been moved to the new camp at an average rate of 1,000 refugees per day.
- The daily arrival rate into the Dollo Ado area has reduced significantly to some 200 - 300 refugees per day from a high of up to 2,000 refugees per day in June and early July 2011.

Current Situation

The measles immunisation of some 18,000 refugee children in the Kobe camp in the Dollo Ado area of south-eastern Ethiopia kicked off Thursday in response to the recent outbreak of suspected measles in the refugee camps. Dollo Ado is located close to the triangle that brings together Kenya, Ethiopia and Somalia. The four-day immunization exercise by MSF-Spain with support from Ethiopia's Ministry of Health and ARRA, UNHCR's government counterpart, is expected to be completed on Sunday and will be extended to the other three refugee camps in the Dollo Ado area where other NGO health partners are also working.

Outreach workers are carrying out an intensive sensitisation campaign to encourage refugee families to take their children to the health clinic for vaccination. The health NGO expects to immunise an average of 4,500 refugee children between the ages of six months and 15 years each day for the coming four days to ensure immunisation of all susceptible children in Kobe camp. The vaccines have been provided by UNICEF through the Ministry of Health. In addition, technical and other support is being provided by the World Health Organisation (WHO).

In the meantime, vigorous community surveillance through a door-to-door screening exercise has enabled the identification of new suspected measles cases. A total of 93 cases have been identified in the Dollo Ado camps which currently host nearly 120,000 refugees. There are increasing number of cases of measles reported among children over five years of age. Health workers continue to emphasise the need to address, in parallel, the other causes of mortality in the camps which are mainly acute malnutrition, diarrhoea and respiratory tract infections.

Meanwhile, UNHCR in partnership with IOM and MSF-Holland, is continuing with the relocation of refugees from the transit centre in Dollo Ado town to the new Hilaweyn camp. An average of 1,000 refugees are relocated daily. Since the start of the exercise on 06 August, more than 6,000 refugees have been moved to the new camp where they have been settled into family tents provided by UNHCR. Upon arrival, refugees receive food made available by the World Food Programme (WFP) and other relief supplies from UNHCR. The exercise to move some 15,000 people from the transit centre to Hilaweyn is expected to be completed within a fortnight.

The daily arrival rate into the Dollo Ado area has meanwhile reduced significantly to some 200 - 300 refugees per day. In addition to the nearly 120,000 Somali refugees hosted in the four camps as well as in the transit centre, there are more than 40,000 Somali refugees in camps in the Jijiga area in eastern Ethiopia.

Statistical Overview

The opening of Hilaweyn camp on 05 August 2011 brings to four the number of camps in the Dollo Ado area. This is in addition to three camps: Aw-barre, Kebribeyah and Sheder in the Jijiga area which have a combined population of 41,600 refugees.

Please find here below statistical tables for refugee populations in Ethiopia as well as a full breakdown of the number of refugees in the Dollo Ado area:

I. Statistical table for refugee populations in Ethiopia as at 11 August 2011

Camp/sites	Households	Individuals
Addis Ababa	1,231	2,405
Adi Harush (Eritreans)	9,134	10,976
Mai-Aini (Eritreans)	11,232	13,838
Shimelba (Eritreans)	5,037	8,759
Eritrean Afars	4,984	15,297
Fugnido (Sudanese)	4,721	22,362
Sherkole (Sudanese)	1,808	4242
Borena (Kenyans)	631	2757
Aw-Bare (Somalis)	2,564	13,315
Kebribeyah (Somali)	2,158	16757
Sheder (Somali)	2,936	11528
Bokolmanyu (Somali)	9,386	37423
Malkadida (Somali)	9,792	39601
Kobe (Somali)	5,649	25,284
Hilaweyn (Somali)	695	6,200
Dollo Ado Transit C (Somali)	3,187	10,593
Total	75,145	241,337

II. Statistical tables for refugee population in the Dollo Ado camps

Table II - Total Refugee Population in Dollo Ado							
Site/Camp	Current Total		As of 31 Dec 2010		Arrivals in 2011		
	Household	Individuals	Household	Individuals	Households	Individuals	
Bokolmanyu Camp	9,386	37,423	3,988	14,988	5,398	22,435	
Malkadida Camp	9,792	39,601	6,452	25,491	3,340	14,110	
Kobe Camp	5,661	25,284	n/a	n/a	5,661	25,284	
Hilaweyn Camp	1,356	6,200	n/a	n/a	1,356	6,200	
Camp Sub-Total	26,195	108,508	10,440	40,479	15,755	68,029	
Dollo Ado Transit centre*	2,786	10,593	n/a	n/a	2,786	10,593	
Reception Centre**	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Temporary Locations Sub-Total	2,786	10,593	n/a	n/a	2,786	10,593	
GRAND TOTAL ALL LOCATIONS	28,981	119,101	10,440	40,479	18,541	78,622	

III. Arrival trends in 2011

Month	Households	Individuals
January	1,502	6,792
February	527	2,016
March	1,019	4,072
April	1,650	6,749
May	2,587	12,045
June	7,030	24,042
July	4,463	19,610
August	578	1,940
Total	19,356	77,266

Co-ordination Arrangements

Some 17 partners, including ARRA, are part of the implementation arrangement in providing protection and assistance to the refugees in the three Dollo Ado camps as well as in the Reception and Transit centres. Most have signed sub-agreements with UNHCR as implementing partners while some are operational partners. An agreement has been reached on the coordination arrangements, in particular, who is doing what and where to ensure effective delivery of services as well as accountability and monitoring. The agreement has been discussed and agreed with the government and all NGO partners.

Sector	Implementing Agency
Registration	ARRA/UNHCR
Camp management	ARRA
Water	IRC/LWF/Oxfam GB
Sanitation and hygiene promotion	ARRA/Oxfam GB/LWF/IMC
Nutrition	(TPF&SFP) MSF-S/IMC/ACF
Blanket feeding	ARRA/IMC/SC-US
School feeding	ARRA/SC-US
Hot meals	ARRA
Primary health care & health promotion	ARRA/MSF-S/MSF-H
Mental Health	IMC
Child friendly spaces	SC-US
Emergency education	SC-US
Primary education (1-8)	ARRA
SGBV	PAPDA/IMC/IRC
Environment	PAPDA/PWO
Food supply	WFP
NFI distribution	ARRA/UNHCR
Shelter	AHA/NRC/DRC/UNHCR
Shelter production	AHADA
Refugee transportation	IOM
Co-ordination on refugee matters	UNHCR/ARRA

Location of refugee camps in Ethiopia

REFUGEE STATISTICAL MAP

As of 31/07/2011

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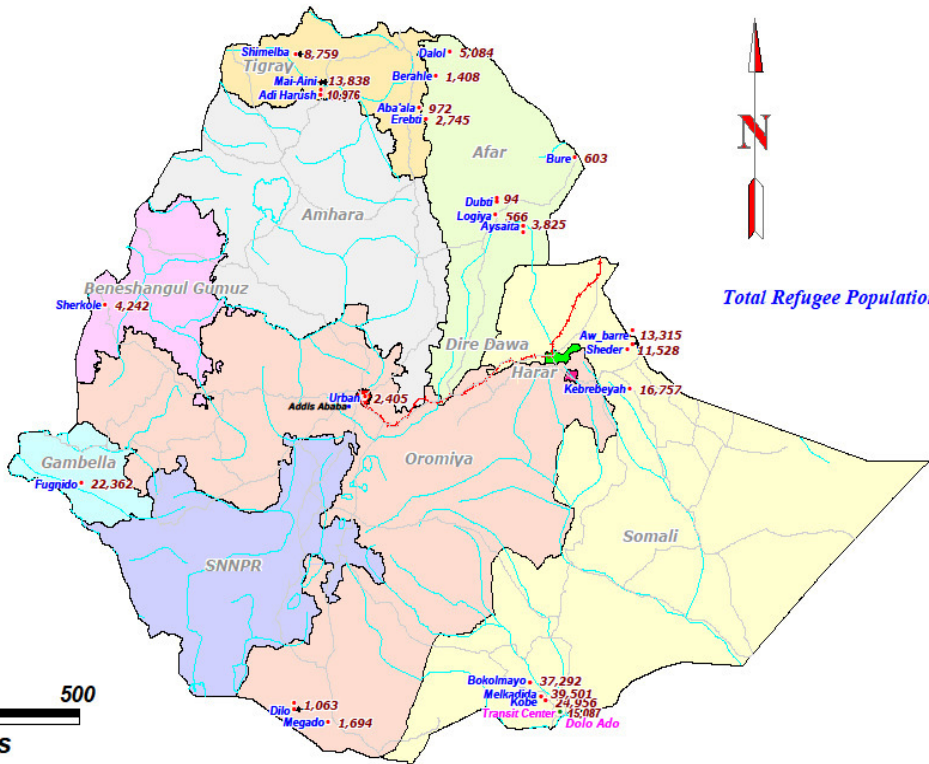
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