

OVERVIEW

This weekly report is produced by the International Organization for Migration (IOM) as part of its crisis reporting on the drought in the Horn of Africa countries. The report covers the period from 11- 17 October. The next report will be issued on 25 October.

Highlights

- KENYA & ETHIOPIA – As of 16 October 2011, a total of **77,024** people have been transported from the Dollo Ado to the Hilaweyn Refugee Camps in Ethiopia and from Liboi and the outskirts of the Dagahaley Refugee Camp to the Ifo 2 East Camp in Dadaab, Kenya.
- KENYA – IOM temporarily suspended its operations in Dadaab on 13 October 2011 following a security incident in a camp which led to heightened security concerns along the Kenya/Somalia border.
- ETHIOPIA – IOM will arrange the transportation of minors to reunite them with their families.
- KENYA – As of 13 October 2011, a total of 2,083 new Somali immigrants have been immunized in Liboi at the Kenya/Somalia border.

ANALYSIS & TRENDS

IOM Suspends Operations In Dadaab Following Security Concerns: All non-essential humanitarian activities including those of IOM have been put on hold following heightened security concerns along the Kenya/Somalia border. This followed a security incident on 13 October in the Dadaab Camp. IOM has also suspended all non-essential missions to Dadaab.

Ethiopia Operations



IOM staff ushering a refugee into a bus travelling from the Reception Centre to the Transit Centre

Movements - As of 16 October, IOM had provided transportation assistance to 32,074 refugees from the Reception Centre in Dollo Ado to the Transit Centre and from the Transit Centre to Hilaweyn Camp. Due to drought and conflict, there has been a spike in the number of new arrivals in the Reception Centre this week from 2,304 refugees in the last reporting period to 3,253 people. UNHCR reports indicate that approximately 414 refugees arrive daily at the Reception Centre in Dollo Ado. If the influx continues throughout the month of October, it is estimated that more than 11,000 refugees will arrive at the Reception Centre. This is twice the numbers that were received in September. So far, IOM has transported 6,278 refugees from the Reception Centre to the Transit Centre since October 2011.

IOM to Reunite Unaccompanied Minors with their Families – IOM has been requested by UNHCR to arrange special transportation for unaccompanied minors to the Transit Centre to reunite them with their families. UNHCR will identify the vulnerable cases and IOM will arrange for their transportation. Save the Children USA has opened a child protection desk at the Transit Centre in Dollo Ado to identify, register, document, and trace their family members. Fifty seven family reunions took place from 10 to 16 October 2011.



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Sweden Lauds IOM for Facilitating Movement Process in Dollo Ado - Four representatives from the Swedish Embassy in Ethiopia visited the Dollo Ado Refugee Camp on 11 October 2011 and commended IOM for efficiently facilitating the movement process between the Reception and Transit Centres. During the tour, the envoys visited the Reception Centre, Transit Centre, Hilaweyn and Kobe Camps and held meetings with humanitarian agencies including IOM, UNHCR, WFP and WHO. They also expressed their satisfaction on all efforts coordinated by different agencies involved in this emergency response.

IOM RESPONSE IN DOLLO ADO, ETHIOPIA

PROJECT	ACTIVITIES	4 - 9 OCTOBER	10 - 16 OCTOBER	TREND	CUMULATIVE TOTAL
Emergency Transportation	Transportation from Dollo Ado Transit Centre to Hilaweyn *				
	No of Individuals	1,043*	1,955*	↑ Movements increased this week, as the caseload in the Transit Centre decreased and relocations were done three times	25,796*
	No of Families	209**	391**		5,188**
	Transportation from Dollo Ado Reception Centre to Transit Centre***				
	No of Individuals	2,304***	3,253***	↑ Movements increased as operations are underway on a daily basis.	6,278***
	No of Families	461	651		1,256
Family Reunification	Family Reunification				
	No of Individuals	0	57	↑ Family reunification increased this week as more cases were identified.	1,278
Health	Medical Assessments				
	Total Screened	3,347	5,208	No of referrals increased this week as movements pick up and more cases were identified.	29,861
	No of Medical Referrals	28	42		174
	No of Unfit to Travel	28	42		213
CUMULATIVE TOTAL					32,074

* Transportation from the Dollo Ado to the Hilaweyn Camp started in August 2011 and includes movements from the Reception Centre to the Transit Centre and from the Transit Centre to the camps.

** Based on the assumption that one family has five members.

*** Started 01 October, 2011

Kenya Operations

Movements - As of 16 October 2011, IOM had facilitated transportation for up to 44,950 refugees to the Dadaab Camp since the start of the exercise on 31 July 2011. Over 27,700 refugees were relocated from the outskirts of Dagahaley Camp to Ifo 2 East Camp and 17,172 refugees were transported from Liboi to Dadaab.

The table below illustrates IOM's drought response in Dadaab, in relation to movement assistance, medical assessments and emergency shelter construction.



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IOM RESPONSE IN DADAAB, KENYA

PROJECT	ACTIVITIES	4 - 9 OCTOBER	10-16 OCTOBER	TREND	CUMULATIVE TOTAL
Emergency Transportation	Transportation from Liboi to Dadaab *				
	No of Individuals	2,252	737	↓ Movements slowed down in Liboi following security concerns at the Kenya –Somalia border. All IOM activities in the region were halted from 13 October 2011 until further notice.	17,172
	No of Households	516	191		4,083
	Relocation from Dagahaley to IFO 2 East**				
	No of Individuals	2,258	2,876	↑ Movements increased following awareness sessions to refugees on the benefits of moving into the camp.	27,778
	No of Households	601	684		6,921
Health	Medical Assessments from Liboi to Dadaab Refugee Camps *				
	No of Individuals Screened	2,252	737	↓ Medical assessments are linked to the number of movements done.	17,172
	No of Medical Referrals	16	2		235
	No of Medical Treatments	55	10		515
	No of Vulnerable Individuals	107	97		2,128
	Medical Assessments from Dagahaley to IFO 2 East **				
	No of Individuals Screened	2,258	2,876	↑ Medical assessments are linked to the number of movements.	27,778
	No of Medical Referrals	4	6		92
No of Medical Treatments	3	52	80		
No of Vulnerable Individuals	467	111	1,501		
Emergency Shelters	IFO 2 East ***				
	Tent Setup	427	0	↓ Less relocation from Liboi to Dadaab due to security concerns.	7,654
CUMULATIVE TOTAL					44,950

* Started on 31 July, 2011

** Started on 18 August, 2011

*** Started on 09 August, 2011

Immunization of New Somali Refugees in Liboi - As of 17 October, a total of 2,083 Somali refugees have been vaccinated in the ongoing joint measles and polio immunization currently being conducted by IOM and the Ministry of Health. The vaccinations, administered to refugees under 29 years of age, kicked off in Liboi on 6 October to curb the spread of measles in Dadaab. This, however, has been temporarily suspended following security concerns and military operations at the Kenya/Somalia border. The immunizations are part of IOM's pre-departure medical assessment for all refugees whose movements IOM is facilitating.

ADMINISTRATION OF POLIO & MEASLES VACCINES IN LIBOI

Between 6-13 October 2011

ACTIVITIES	CUMULATIVE TOTALS
POLIO	599
MEASLES	1,484
TOTAL CUMULATIVE	<u>2,083</u>

Nomadic Communities Facing Brunt of Global Warming Says IOM, UNOCHA – IOM joined the world to mark the International Day on Disaster Risk Reduction (IDRR) on October 13 in Garissa, one of the regions affected by drought in northern Kenya. IOM and UNOCHA called on all stakeholders to find lasting solutions and strategies to help local communities cope with recurring drought. IOM organized several activities in Garissa including a tree planting at the Kenya National Library Services and an awareness walk around the town with hundreds of local



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participants. Separately in an IDRR video address, the United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon warned that vulnerability to disaster is growing faster than resilience and that disaster reduction should be an everyday concern for everybody.

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IOM's Drought Response builds on its substantial capacity and implementation of over 30 programmes in the Horn of Africa countries of Djibouti, Somalia, Kenya and Ethiopia. IOM prioritizes its work with lead agencies, partners and government counterparts to develop a transportation network to bring vulnerable populations arriving at border crossing points and informal settlements to better-serviced camps, ensuring medical screening and lifesaving referral services as part of transport assistance. IOM is also working with stakeholders to fill gaps identified in needs assessments related to shelter (with UNHCR); livelihood programmes; and medical assistance, capacity-building and primary care services (in support of ARRA, the Ethiopian government refugee agency.)