



Overview

The overall protection objective is to ensure that refugees and asylum-seekers have access to fair and accelerated asylum procedures as well as full enjoyment of their rights as set forth in international and domestic laws. It remains crucial for partners to continue to strengthen the capacity of the government institutions to respond to emergencies, support improvements in registration and the asylum system whilst providing life-saving services, as well as monitoring, mitigating protection risks, building resilience of the forcibly displaced and stateless persons, and enhancing durable solutions. Efforts will be made to reinforce comprehensive feedback and response mechanisms to ensure accountability to affected populations (AAP). In addition, special focus will be given to the vulnerable groups with the objective of ensuring that they have equal access to protection assistance and the opportunity to participate in community self-management and decision-making. Meanwhile, peaceful coexistence among communities as well as the provision of mental health and psychosocial support services (MHPSS) will remain a priority.

The Result Analysis:

Refugee Status Determination (RSD): By the end of the third quarter, the Refugee Eligibility Committee (REC) had held 05 sessions and adjudicated 9,594 applications of 12,806 individuals from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Rwanda, Burundi, and Eritrea. The recognition rate was 96%. By the end of the third quarter the Appeals Board had adjudicated a total of 375 cases, out of these 144 cases were set aside and REC decision was confirmed in 231 cases.

Access to Justice: By the end of quarter III, a total of 113,013 individuals (54,519F/58,494M) accessed legal assistance representing a 31% performance above annual set target. 67,016 of the totals (34,503F/ 32,513M) representing 59% accessed legal sensitization on Uganda laws while 45,997 (20,016F/ 25,981M) received legal assistance that includes legal counseling, legal representation, mobile court, and detention monitoring.

Accountability to Affected Populations (AAP): The operation addressed a total of 53,751 Complaints through effective feedback mechanisms by the end of quarter III, representing 82% performance achievements against annual planned target. 26,121 of the totals were addressed through FRRM helpline while 27,630 were addressed by partners through other means. 580 of the addressed complaints were from host communities, 6,571 from other refugees, 24,898 from South Sudanese, and 21,702 from Congolese. The majority of the enquiries is related to community-based protection, resettlement and food assistance.

Support to Persons with Specific Needs: By end of quarter 3, a total of 86,907 PSNs (54,538F/29,079M) were supported s, representing 70% annual performance achievement. In terms of quarterly performance, 51% of the total recorded achievements were attained in Quarter 3 alone compared to 11% in quarter 2, and 8% in quarter 1, indicating an outstanding performance in Quarter 3.

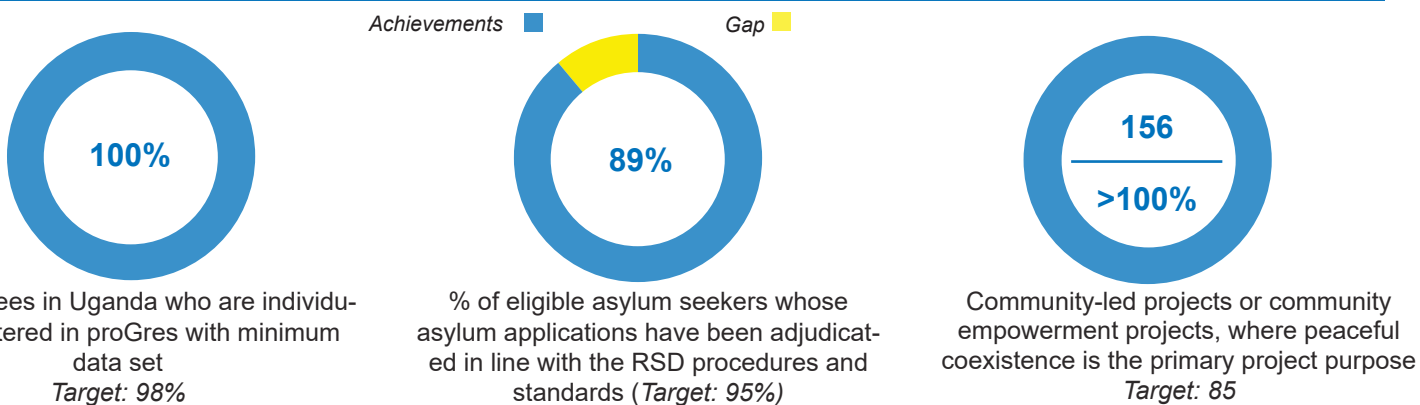
Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS): A total of 262,249 refugees and nationals from the host community out of annual planned 392,706 received various forms of MHPSS services, representing 67% performance achievement. More DRC nationals received MHPSS compared to all other nationalities, 127,281 Congolese above planned annual target of 96,522, representing an over performance of 32% above annual target. The overperformance by Congolese is attributed to increased number inflow of forcibly displaced new arrivals from Eastern DRC into Uganda. Access to MHPSS by other nationalities continue to remain very low with other nationalities recording only 10% annual achievements.

Key challenges and priorities:

Given the ongoing rise in the RSD backlog, the Office of the Prime Minister (OPM) intends to launch an accelerated and simplified RSD exercise in the last quarter of the year. This initiative aims to reduce the current backlog, which stands at 49,000 cases.

With the release of FRRM V3, the focus will shift to ongoing training and system deployment at field locations. The new feature in FRRM V3 will enable recording of referrals from Village Health Teams (VHTs) and the protection desk. This upgrade also allows partners to access reports and perform qualitative analysis.

Key indicators



Funding

Inc CP and GBV



\$178M

Total Required

\$71M

Received 40%

\$107M

Gap 60%

Outcome: Access to asylum procedures, including reception, registration, and refugee status determination (RSD)

Indicator	Actual	Target	Actual	against annual target
% of refugees in Uganda who are individually registered in proGRES with minimum data set				
- Congolese refugees	100%	100%	100%	
- South Sudanese refugees	100%	100%	100%	
- Other refugees	100%	100%	100%	

Eligible asylum seekers whose asylum applications have been adjudicated in line with the RSD procedures and standards

- Congolese refugees	85%	95%	85%	10%
- Other refugees	66%	95%	58%	29%

Note: Sudanese and South Sudanese refugees are granted refugee status on prima-facie basis.

OUTCOME: Accountability to all persons of concern is strengthened through meaningful engagement and participation of communities

Indicator	Actual	Target	Actual	against annual target
Complaints addressed through effective feedback mechanisms				
- Congolese refugees	21,702	32,000	68%	32%
- South Sudanese refugees	24,898	13,000	>100%	
- Other refugees	6,571	19,000	35%	65%
- Host community	580	1,800	32%	66%

OUTCOME: Persons with specific needs have timely access to appropriate services and participate in community activities and decision-making on an equal basis with others

Indicator	Actual	Target	Actual	against annual target
Persons with specific needs provided with support				
- Congolese refugees	65,921	40,000	>100%	
- South Sudanese refugees	20,206	80,000	25%	75%
- Other refugees	590	3,000	20%	80%
- Host community	190	300	63%	37%

Interventions to address barriers

- Congolese refugees	338	50	>100%	
- South Sudanese refugees	1,409	75	>100%	
- Other refugees	146	25	>100%	
- Host community	96	10	>100%	

OUTCOME: Refugee and host communities populations have improved well being and functioning including very vulnerable people

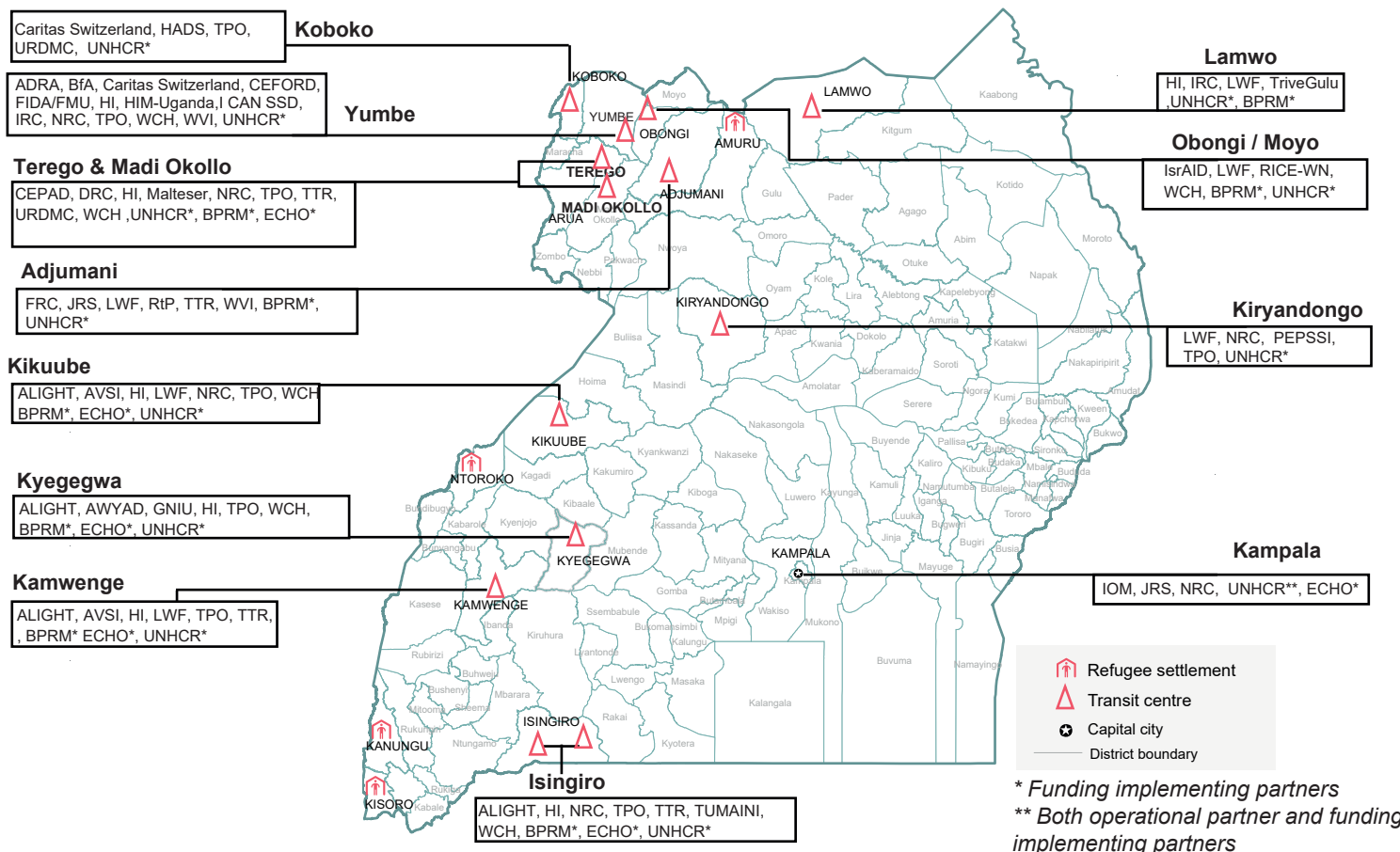
Indicator	Actual	Target	Actual	against annual target
Individuals receiving psychosocial support				
- Congolese refugees	127,281	96,522	>100%	
- South Sudanese refugees	103,530	180,831	57%	43%
- Other refugees	3,411	35,664	10%	90%
- Host community	21,893	79,689	27%	73%

OUTCOME: Physical safety and access to justice by Persons of Concern strengthened

Indicator	Actual	Target	Actual	against annual target
Refugees receiving legal assistance and legal aid services				
- Congolese refugees	25,365	30,000	85%	15%
- South Sudanese refugees	65,079	40,000	>100%	
- Other refugees	12,549	15,000	84%	16%
- Host Community	10,020	1,000	>100%	

Operational Presence

- Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA)
- African Women and Youth Action for Development (AWYAD)
- Alight
- Association of Volunteers in International Service (AVSI)
- Brass for Africa (BfA)
- Caritas Switzerland
- Community Empowerment for Peace and Development (CEPAD)
- Community Empowerment for Rural Development (CEFORD)
- Danish Refugee Council (DRC)
- Finnish Mission Uganda (FIDA/FMU)
- Finnish Refugee Council (FRC)
- Good Neighbors International Uganda (GNUU)
- His Sickles International Mission (HIM-Uganda)
- Humanitarian Assistance and Development Services (HADS)
- Humanity&Inclusion (HI)
- I CAN South Sudan (I CAN SSD)
- International Rescue Committee (IRC)
- IsraAID
- Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS)
- Lutheran World Federation (LWF)
- Malteser International (Malteser)
- Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)
- Regional Psychosocial Support Initiative (REPSSI)
- Right to Play (RtP)
- Rural Initiative for Community Empowerment in West Nile (RICE-WN)
- ThriveGulu
- Transcultural Psychosocial Organization (TPO)
- TUMAINI
- Tutapona Trauma Rehabilitation (TTR)
- Uganda Refugee Disaster and Management Council (URDMC)
- United Nations Migration Agency (IOM)
- War Child Holland (WCH)
- World Vision International (WVI)



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