

DJIBOUTI

17 April 2025

FORCIBLY DISPLACED PERSONS

33 227

Refugee and Asylum seekers as of 31 March¹

24 411

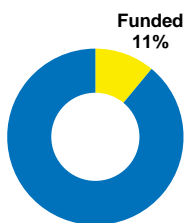
Refugees

8 816

Asylum seekers

FUNDING

20.6 M \$ requested for Djibouti operation in 2025²



2.2 M \$ received as of 31 March 2025

¹Statistics

²Djibouti-funding-update

OPERATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

UN Agencies in Djibouti discussed impact of funding cuts on health. On 13 April all UN agencies operating in Djibouti met to discuss the way forward as impact of funding cuts is getting severe on the health of vulnerable communities. Agencies such as UNICEF and the WFP, which in Djibouti are involved in refugee health, nutrition and immunization, have announced that the reduction in their budgets will have serious consequences for the vulnerable host and refugee population. UN agencies are closely monitoring the situation and working in collaboration with the ministry to avoid such scenario. All agencies agreed to work together in finding other possible solutions.



UNHCR and its partners raise awareness among refugees and asylum seekers following the Djibouti Interior Minister's declaration of the new political strategy © UNHCR

REFUGEE RESPONSE

Refugee children received polio vaccine. From 12 to 16 April 2025, the ministry of health in collaboration with WHO and UNICEF conducted a vaccination campaign for refugee children aged 0 to 5 years. All children in all refugee sites were reached and were given oral polio vaccine as part of the national campaign to ensure refugee children are not left behind.

UNHCR and its partners continued to raise awareness among refugees of the new government measures, following the April 03 statement by the Minister of the Interior. On April 14 and 17, UNHCR and its partners ONARS and CIAUD held awareness-raising sessions for the urban refugee committee, with the aim of informing refugees and asylum seekers about the recent statement by the Minister of the Interior concerning illegal foreigners. Emphasis was placed on the importance of carrying identity documents, and on the measures envisaged by ONARS and UNHCR in the event of the arrest of an asylum seeker or refugee.

UNHCR and ONARS continued to register new arrivals. On April 15, UNHCR, in collaboration with ONARS, registered 16 households, representing a total of 22 individuals, including 7 Yemeni households, 5 Ethiopian households, 2 Eritrean families and 2 Somali households. As part of ongoing registration, 7 individual cases were processed, including requests for reactivation, change of address, addition of members and biometric data. As for the weekly reception, 12 people were received and listened to at the UNHCR office on Wednesday April 16. These individuals expressed various requests, mainly related to document renewal and requests for medical care. Each case was listened to carefully and referred to the appropriate protection services.

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