

27th February - 5th March 2014
Kakuma Camp Update



Current Situation:

In the past week, Kakuma camp has received a total of 2,441 new arrivals from Nadapal border. This brings the total number of South Sudanese asylum seekers received to 22,597. This number is about 2,400 short of Kakuma 4’s estimated maximum capacity. The total estimated camp population is about 151, 800 – the camp has now surpassed its capacity threshold and new land is needed urgently.

The daily arrivals trend continued as illustrated:

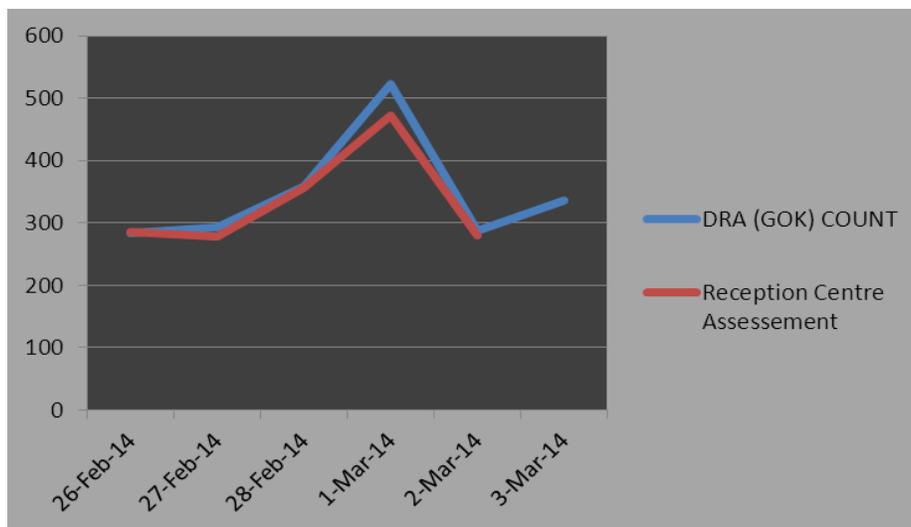


Illustration 1: Daily arrivals trend from 26/02/2014 to 03/03/14

Developments:

- UNHCR and DRA conducted a visit to the Nakururum site on 27th February which was chaired by the MP for Turkana West and the area MCA. After lengthy deliberations with the elders from the four villages around the area, a unanimous agreement was not reached by all participants. Further discussions are scheduled on how to proceed with the talks.
- The UNHCR/UNESCO technical team’s report on the assessment conducted at the proposed sites will be available by next week. There were indications that the area has good potential for ground water.
- A delegation from Morneau Shepelle was in Kakuma from 26th- 27th February for the inauguration of the Morneau Shepelle Girls Secondary school. The group was accompanied by the MP for Turkana West, the County Commissioner, UNHCR Deputy Representative and other colleagues from Nairobi and Kakuma sub office. The

educational facility was dubbed as “one of its kind” in the entire county due to its modern and quality facilities.



Bill Morneau, Chairman of Morneau Shepelle cuts the ribbon at the school's administration block. UNHCR/C.Wachiaya

- The visit included a tour of the camp, reception centre, IRC Hospital and Kakuma 4.
- The visitors appreciated the coordinated operation on the ground and took note of the sectoral gaps. They also pledged to continue supporting the school to ensure its sustainability.



German Ambassador being briefed on child protection issues at Kakuma reception centre UNHCR/C.Wachiaya

- The German Ambassador to Kenya visited Kakuma on 28th February. Together with UNHCR's Representative, they met with the Deputy County Commissioner and later had an extensive tour of the camp, reception centre, Kakuma 4, the camp hospital and Fuji Primary School.
- The Ambassador was briefed by UNHCR and partners on the operational issues, challenges and sectoral gaps. He noted the teamwork on the ground and concerted efforts by all agencies involved in responding to the emergency.

Essential Services/Activities

1. Food Distribution & NFIs

- General Food Distribution (GFD) by WFP continued at the new settlement site in Kakuma 4. It has been proposed that registration and fingerprinting process for new arrivals be done at the reception centre before they are moved to the settlement area in Kakuma 4. The exercise should commence in the coming week once WFP acquire more laptops.

2. Health

- No new measles cases have been reported at the border since 6th February and there are currently no measles patients admitted at Lopiding Hospital in Lokichoggio. As at 4th March, there were a total of 6 measles patients admitted at the Camp Hospital.

MEASLES CASES UPDATE

	Admitted	Discharged	Deaths	Still admitted
Lopiding Hospital	31	31	00	00
Camp Hospital	99	93	01	06
TOTAL	130	124	01	06

Illustration 2: Cumulative number of measles cases since 25/12/13 to 04/03/2014

- The mop up measles vaccination campaign for the host community ended on 26th February 2014. The campaign targeted children aged between 9 – 59 months.
- A mass nutritional screening is scheduled to begin on 5th March 2014 in Kakuma 4. The exercise aims to identify all children under the age of 5 years who were not screened for malnutrition and may be at risk.
- Daily interventions against measles and polio continue at the border and reception centre.

3. Registration

- Out of the total numbers received, 11, 087 asylum seekers had been registered by DRA by 4th March 2014 and 9,803 captured in the UNHCR Database as at 3rd March 2014. 364 former Kakuma residents had also been received by then.

Month	Day	Total*	Adults	Children	Female	Male	Somali	South Sudan	Sudan	Burundi	Ethiopia	Congo DRC	Other
Jan.		3633	1145	2488	1824	1809	106	2978	218	128	65	133	5
Feb.		6100	1888	4206	3173	2927	129	5365	338	114	50	95	9
March	01/03/14	67	23	44	17	50	0	55	12	0	0	0	0
	01/03/14	3	3	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
March Total		70	26	44	17	53	0	56	13	0	1	0	0
Total		9,803	3,059	6,738	5,014	4,789	235	8,399	569	242	116	228	14

Illustration 3: New arrivals registration statistics as at 03/02/14

4. Protection

- In the past week, the Protection unit maintained presence at Nadapal border to ensure that asylum seekers have safe and efficient access to asylum territory. No cases of *refoulement* were reported during the period as Immigration Department continued to receive and issue entry clearance to all South Sudanese asylum seekers arriving at the border. This was done in close consultation with the Department of Refugee Affairs which has continued to maintain presence at Nadapal.
- No cases with specific protection concerns were received during the week. However, during routine field post and reception center coverage, specific protection concerns, particularly blood feud related claims (isolated cases of unresolved conflict) were received from several South Sudanese asylum seekers. Counselling on existing security

mechanisms in the camp, inter-camp relocation and placement in safe shelters were among the protection interventions engaged in managing these cases.

- Identification and assessment of potential foster parents is ongoing along with monitoring of the old cases and situation of children. By end of February, 26 foster parents had been identified in Kakuma 4 and the process of matching them to specific unaccompanied children is ongoing.

5. Water.

- WVI has completed drilling the first borehole at a depth of
- Water tanking to Kakuma 4 has continued in the meantime, with residents being supplied with between 12 - 13 liters per capita per day. Six tankers are used to ferry water daily to the 12 water tanks in the site.

6. Shelter

- NCKK has put up a total of 4,549 temporary shelters at the new site and settled a total of 22,356 individuals (5,625 families). 5,589 durable shelters need to be constructed for these families.

7. Transport

- The daily convoy to the border continues unabated. The fleet's capacity has been increased with more logistical and transportation support from IOM – two hired buses with a seating capacity of 62 and 67 have been added to the convoy. This is in addition to their usual bus, truck for luggage and two lightweight vehicles. The fleet in total now comprises of four buses, two trucks and three lightweight vehicles, accompanied by security and ambulance escort.

8. Education

- Classes remain suspended at the emergency temporary school in Kakuma 4 pending the construction of 10 class rooms. Meanwhile, there are plans to discuss the possibility of having afternoon classes for the school's upper primary pupils at the nearby Elise Primary school. The school which is about 200 metres from the settlement area has eight classrooms that can hold up to 50 students. Currently 75 students attend the school thus there is enough space to accommodate the temporary school's students.

9. Sanitation

- Currently, a total of 771 communal latrines have been constructed at the new site. It is expected that a total of 800 latrines will be done by 5th March 2014. This places the latrine to user ratio at 1:28 individuals.

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<http://data.unhcr.org/SouthSudan/regional.php>