

KEY FIGURES

45,201

Asylum seekers received since influx began in December 2013.

2,755

UAMS in Kakuma Camp.

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SGBV cases reported in the past week.

18.25

Litres of water provided per person per day in Kakuma.

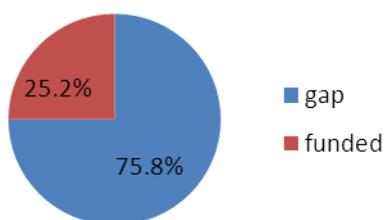
6,306

Number of roofed durable shelters in Kakuma 4.

FUNDING

USD 36.5 MILLION

Requested for the operation



PRIORITIES

- Finalizing with partners 2014 year end reports
- Participatory assessment for 2016 planning
- Monitor trends of daily new arrivals and their unhindered access to asylum.

KENYA

KAKUMA OPERATIONAL UPDATE

13 - 19 FEBRUARY 2015

HIGHLIGHTS

- As at 19 February 2015, Kakuma had received 45,201 asylum seekers from South Sudan. As at 15 February, 180,138 refugees had been registered by UNHCR and DRA, with South Sudanese making up 49.7% of the registered population.
- From 16 - 20 February 2015, PRM's Deputy Regional Refugee Coordinator and two Program Officers from Washington were in Kakuma. DFID was also on ground from 16 - 18 February 2015. The two donor missions came to monitor and evaluate the projects that they have funded. Following a comprehensive briefing by the Head of Sub-Office (HSO) and his team, they also visited the transit centre at Nadapal border point and observed activities there. There were also consultations with various agencies that they fund. The donors were briefed on the progress in acquiring land for the new camp and also shown the draft layout which includes among other facilities, settlement areas, communal facilities and agricultural plots. They acknowledged the great coordination and teamwork between UNHCR and its partners and pledged their continued support for the operation

Members of the DFID and PRM missions are briefed at the Nadapal border transit centre by LWF staff. LWF manages the centre. *UNHCR/ C. Wachiaya*



- On 20 February 2015, the PRM-Admissions Program Officer and PRM Regional Refugee Coordinator visited Kakuma on a one day mission. After paying a courtesy visit to the Deputy Sub-County Commissioner/DRA, they were briefed by the HSO on the current situation in the camp and potential durable solution options for different refugee communities in 2015, as well as developments with the proposed site for a new camp. They also discussed about their concerns about the state and upkeep of the transit centre, the current situation of minors and child protection in the camp, the LGBTI situation and were updated on current switch from UNHCR RSD to government RSD/TAC clearance and associated challenges.

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

- UNHCR has continued to field border monitoring visits to Nadapal three days a week (every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday) with the aim of ensuring that asylum seekers received at the border have unhindered access to asylum and are treated humanely.
- The trend of daily new arrivals has remained low; on average about 100 people are received per week. Lutheran World Federation (LWF) manages the centre and has staff based there to receive arrivals and provide hot meals and accommodation for them. The arrivals stay at the centre for an average of a week before being transported to the camp. The trend continues to be monitored closely for any possible upsurge.
- Issues of visa charges at the border by Immigration officials continue to pose a challenge to the unhindered passage of asylum seekers, despite the prima-facie status conferred on them by the Kenya Government. Discussions have been ongoing between the Immigration Office in Nairobi, the Department of Refugee Affairs and the Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK) to address the matter.

Achievements

Protection

Achievements and Impact

- As per LWF data's of 16 February, 1,226* new UAMS and 6,707 separated children had arrived in the Kakuma camps since December 2013. Since then to date, 1,170 UAMs including 824 South Sudanese UAMs and 5,026 separated children have been registered, bringing the cumulative number of registered UAMs in Kakuma to 2,753 and 12,058 separated children.
- In the reporting week, the BID panel which comprises of representatives from UNHCR Resettlement and Protection Units, District Children's Office (DCO), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Kenya Red Cross and RCK conducted a total of 28 BID assessments. At the reception center and in the community, 26 and 18 BIAs were carried out respectively.
- No SGBV cases were reported in the course of the reporting period.
- UNHCR facilitated a coordination meeting with all partners on 6 February to discuss and plan for the upcoming Participatory Assessment which began on 9 February. Nine sectors with lead coordinators were identified for the assessment. The activity will be implemented in collaboration with all operational and implementing partners in the operation.

Education

Achievements and Impact

- During the reporting period, LWF handed over various constructions supported by UNHCR. These included the construction of 20 classrooms, 2 school fences and a block of latrines. The new classrooms are expected to ease congestion in various schools and provide learners with a more conducive learning environment.
- The current school enrollment in the camp is as follows:

Schools	Female	Male	Total
Pre-primary	5,536	5,947	11,483
Primary	20,934	33,630	54,564
Secondary	922	2,801	3,723

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Despite the construction of 96 additional classrooms by end of 2014, there still remains high overcrowding and congestion in schools with over 100 children sharing a classroom in majority of schools. The situation is particularly acute in schools in Kakuma 1 and 4 (where majority of South Sudanese children received during the influx reside). Kakuma 4 has only two primary schools with a total student population of 13,225 against a total of 47 classrooms. The severe congestion imperils learning and also poses potential health challenges for learners.



The PRM mission visited some of the camp schools that experience over congestion and insufficient learning materials. This class in Mogadishu Primary has over 100 pupils at any given time. UNHCR/ C. Wachiaya

- High teacher turn over which causes learning disruption and exerts extra administrative burden on education IPs who have to replace teachers more frequently.



Health

Achievements and Impact

- The health status of refugees remained stable during the week with no excess mortality or morbidity reported. There was a 7.1% and 3.5% decline in the incidence of malaria and watery diarrhea compared to the previous week. Other diseases of public health importance remained within endemic threshold.
- UNHCR has facilitated a team of AMREF specialists comprising a general surgeon, physician, biomedical engineer and sonographer to offer specialized services to refugees in the camp from 16 – 20 February 2015. Additionally, African Inland Church (AIC) missionaries have facilitated a dental and ophthalmic (eye) camp from 18 – 20 February 2015.
- Construction of the new hospital in Kakuma 4 is ongoing with partial funding from ECHO of Euro 500,000, USD 110,000 from AAR Japan earmarked for the pediatric ward and about USD 400,000 from UNFPA for the SGBV recovery center unit. The hospital is expected to start operating by March 2015.
- The Ministry of Health, Nairobi has promised to supply the refugee camp with enough vaccines and syringes for 3 months effective from 20 February 2015.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- The high turnover of health care workers is compromising the quality of health care delivery in the camp. For instance, the daily consultation per clinician in the week was relatively high at 1:76 compared

to the UNHCR standard of 1:50. In order to mitigate the impact, AMREF and AIC conduct bi-monthly outreach programs to the camp to attend to patients with special medical conditions that cannot be managed by the IRC medical team.

- Shortage of condoms remains a challenge; as at 17 February 2015, 19,500 pieces were remaining in stock, which are enough for about 5-6 days for the target population. Neither the Ministry of Health nor UNFPA have sufficient stock to donate to the refugee program. UNHCR Kenya is exploring ways to purchase 2 million pieces for Dadaab and Kakuma which would be enough for 1 year only.
- There is a gap in funding to complete and equip the hospital currently under construction in Kakuma 4. IRC and UNHCR are appealing to prospective donors to assist in completing the project.



Food Security and Nutrition

Achievements and Impact

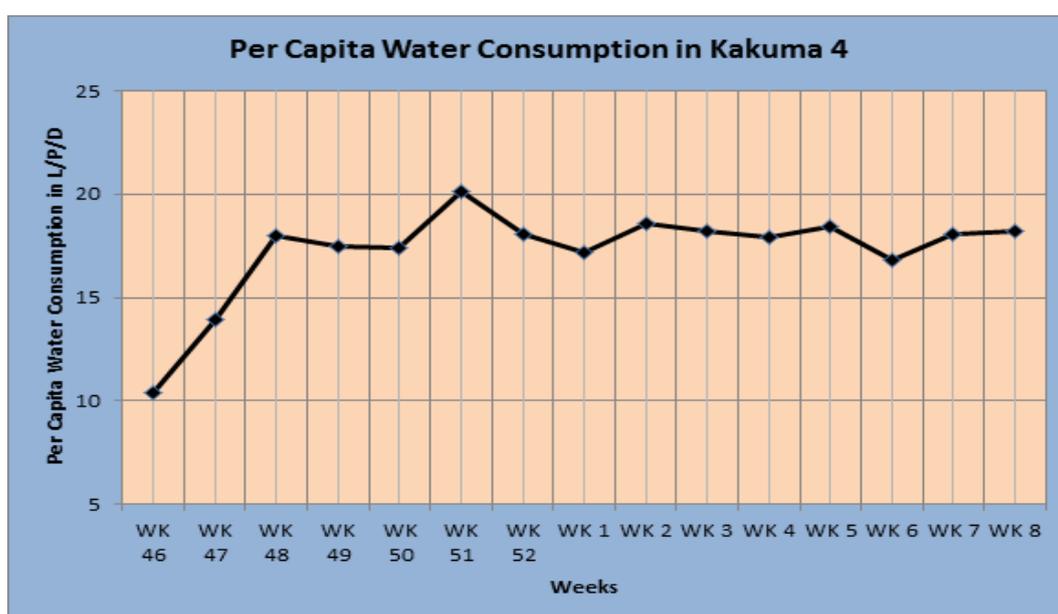
- The second cycle of February General Food Distribution began on 16 and will end on 23 February 2015. The GFD target population to be served at Food Distribution Centre 4 in Kakuma 4 is 62,183 individuals (15,770 households) and 7,329 individuals (4,605 households) to be served at Food Distribution Centre 3 in Kakuma 3. So far, 57% and 62% of the targeted households have been served at FDC4 and FDC3 respectively.



Water and Sanitation

Achievements and Impact

- The per capita water distribution in Kakuma 4 was 18.25 litres.



- The drilling of two boreholes by Team & Team International is ongoing, albeit with some difficulties being encountered due to loose soil formations resulting in collapsing of the walls. However, it is expected that the process will be completed in a few weeks.
- NRC has so far constructed 382 household latrines in Kakuma 4 out of the 800 latrines marked for construction in 2015. This has resulted in household latrine coverage of 26% and 75% for family shared latrines. The latrine to user ratio is at 1:15.
- Metering of water supplied to institutions is at an advanced stage with selection of the sites having been done by UNHCR WASH officer and NRC in consultation with the refugee community block leaders in Kakuma 4.

- Since the taking up of WASH activities by NRC from LWF, a fuel test was carried out in January 2015 on all the camp's boreholes. This has resulted in saving of fuel per week; 360 litres were saved during the first and second week of February. Cumulatively, 975 litres have been saved since beginning of 2015.

Shelter and NFIs

Achievements and Impact

- As at 19 February 2015, GNI has completed 186 transitional shelters in Kakuma 1 and Kakuma 2. The transitional shelters are meant to be gradually transformed to durable shelters with mud bricks walls. NCKK had also completed 100 units bringing the cumulative number of completed shelters during the reporting period to 115. There are currently 6,306 completed durable shelters for the new arrivals in Kakuma 4.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Kakuma is currently overstretched by over 55,000 refugees and as such progress on the land for a new camp is a priority. While discussions between UNHCR, DRA, the County Government and the host community have yielded some results, there remains the signing of a Memorandum of Agreement before it is officially approved and obtained. The target capacity of the identified land is 80,000 refugees and the layout caters approximately for 1,300 ha of agricultural land.

Working in partnership

- UNHCR continues to work closely with the Government, DRA and other partners to ensure support to refugees and asylum seekers is assured. Bi-monthly Inter-Agency meetings continue to be held as well as monthly meetings with refugee leaders from the entire camp.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total recorded contributions for the emergency operation amount to **US\$ 36.5 million** representing **25.2%** of the requested funding.

UNHCR is grateful for the critical support provided by donors who have contributed to this operation as well as those who have contributed to UNHCR programmes with un-earmarked and broadly earmarked funds.

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