

KEY FIGURES

51,417

South Sudanese refugees received since December 2013.

2,370

Unaccompanied children in Kakuma Camp.

833

New arrivals from South Sudan received during reporting period

92

Children screened for malnutrition at reception centre

19

Litres of water provided per person

7,500

Number of roofed durable shelters for new arrivals

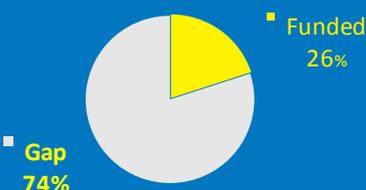
FUNDING

USD 226.7M

Requested for the Kenya operation

USD 45.2M

Requested for Kakuma operation



PRIORITIES

- Monitor trends of new arrivals
- Maintenance of water network to ensure improved supply
- Close monitoring of malaria and watery diarrhea
- Hygiene promotion activities to improve household level hygiene
- Follow up on Kalobeyi settlement development

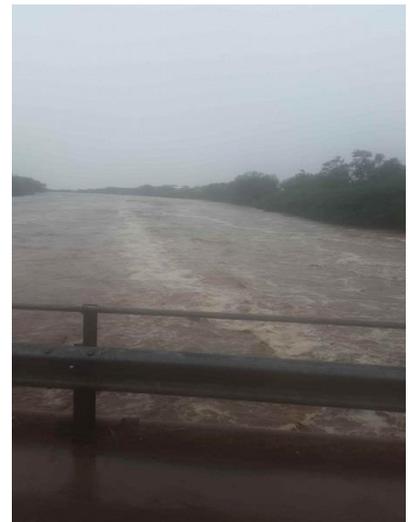
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KAKUMA OPERATIONAL UPDATE

01 – 15 MARCH 2016

HIGHLIGHTS

- As at 15 March 2016, Kakuma had received and registered 51,417 refugees from South Sudan. This brings the total registered camp population to 187,867 (as at 11 March) with South Sudanese making up 51.1% (95,953) of the population.
- A delegation from ECHO is in Kakuma from 15 to 18 March; the team is on a Child protection monitoring and evaluation mission where the digitization of Child Protection service delivery will be assessed. ECHO is funding UNICEF which is implementing the digitization process in collaboration with UNHCR and child protection partners.
- The PRM Regional Refugee Coordinator was in Kakuma on 14 March; she was accompanied by officials from the Political Section who were interested in seeing the work that PRM supports in Kakuma. The mission met with a section of refugee leaders and visited some of the PRM funded projects in the camp.
- On 09 March, Kakuma experienced flash floods after hours of heavy rainfall. The UNHCR compound and adjacent agency compounds were flooded as Tarach River which bypasses the compound burst its banks. Some shelters in the camp were also affected and UNHCR has already intervened by providing shelter and NFIs to affected households.



Left: UNHCR Compound was flooded following the heavy rains. Right: River Tarach burst its banks causing rain water to flow into UNHCR and adjacent agency compounds. UNHCR/E. Lopic

- International Women's day was celebrated in Kakuma on 08 March. The day, who's global theme was "Gender Equality 50/50 by 2030" was marked at a colourful occasion in the camp attended by refugees, host community members, UNHCR, Government representatives and partners. The day celebrates women and their achievements all over the world. It is also an occasion to remember the struggles and hardships many women face, especially those who have been forcibly displaced.
- On 08 March, the Humanitarian Private Sector Partnership Platform for East Africa (HPPP-EA) was officially launched in Nairobi. The event was livestreamed in Kakuma where refugee and host community business representatives participated. The event was organized by World Vision and OCHA and was opened by the UNHCR Kenya Country Representative and OCHA Regional

Representative. Private sector representatives included Equity Bank and MasterCard. The platform will provide a forum for humanitarian and private sector stakeholders to identify innovative solutions for refugee operations for purposes of sustainable socio-economic development.

- On 08 March, UNHCR in collaboration with World Vision and WFP hosted four members of the U.S. Congress who were in Kakuma to familiarize themselves with the operation. The Congress people were representing the States of Maryland, South Dakota, Minnesota and Missouri. The team was especially interested in the food distribution process and delivery of health services to refugees and the host community. The mission was accompanied by the WFP Country Representative and World Vision National Director. The Governor of Turkana County was on hand to welcome them and briefed them on the joint efforts by UNHCR, partners and the County and National Government to support both refugees and host community.



The Governor (centre) stands with the UNHCR Kakuma Head of sub-office and part of the delegation outside the sub-county office.

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

- UNHCR conducts border monitoring visits to Nadapal twice a week to ensure that asylum seekers have unhindered access to asylum and are treated humanely. The border monitoring unit includes staff from UNHCR’s Protection & Field Units, LWF and IRC. IRC sends a medical doctor or nurse at least once a week to carry out initial medical screening. Any emergency cases are transferred to African Inland Church (AIC) Mission or Lopiding Hospital in Lokichoggio or to Kakuma at the main hospital.
- Kakuma has continued to receive a steady flow of new arrivals from South Sudan and the trend has remained high; during the reporting period, 883 new arrivals were received through Nadapal. Majority are children below 18 years and women. Most new arrivals come from Eastern and Central Equatoria, Unity and Jonglei States and cite insecurity, intense famine and high cost of living as reasons for leaving South Sudan.
- With the increased number of new arrivals, UNHCR has increased the pick-up trips to twice a week starting this week. A review of empty spaces in the camp will be done to settle new arrivals. The operation may need to consider identifying a section in Kalobeyei for settling refugees if the trend of arrivals continues to increase.

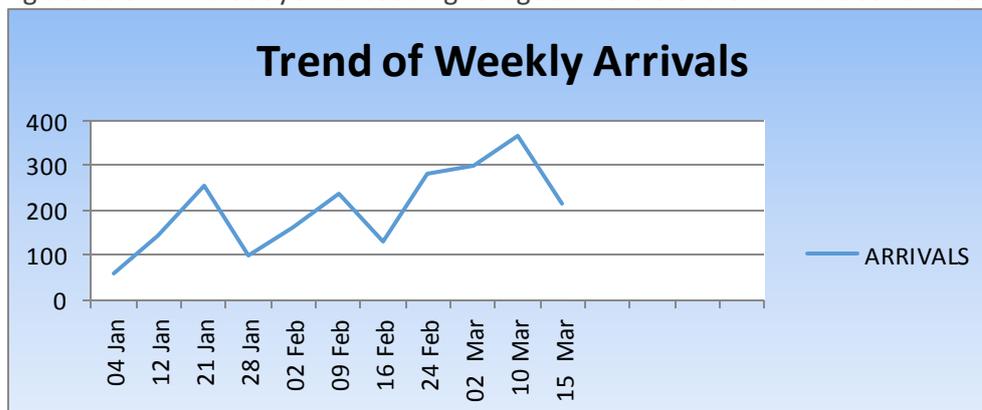


Fig 1: Trend of weekly new arrival

Achievements

Protection

Achievements and Impact

Child Protection

- As of 10 March 2016, 973 South Sudanese UAMs and 5,742 Separated Children had been registered in the UNHCR database as arriving after December 2013. The cumulative number (including other nationalities) is 2,370 UAMs and 12,200 SC. Many former UASC have aged out upon turning 18 years old hence are no longer registered as UASC.

SGBV

- During the reporting period, five SGBV cases were reported and assisted to access specialized services including psychosocial counseling and medical treatment to address immediate needs.
- 630 beneficiaries were reached during the community awareness sessions conducted in the camp. Information disseminated touched on GBV, early marriage, forced marriage, consequences of rape and causes of domestic violence and reporting pathways.

Food Security and Nutrition

Achievements and Impact

- During the period under review, a total of 92 children aged 6-59 months were screened by weight for height at the reception centre on arrival in Kakuma, out of which 4 (4.3%) were found with severe acute malnutrition and 2(2.2%) with moderate acute malnutrition. All identified cases of acute malnutrition were enrolled to respective rehabilitation programs.
- The General Food Distribution began on 01 March and ended on 08 March with some minor interruptions due to the heavy rains. WFP has reinstated 100% food rations which translates to an improvement in the recommended daily intake. The table below illustrates the current food basket:

Food commodity (per person per day)	Family size 1		Family size 2 & Above	
	Grams	Kcal	Grams	Kcal
Maize Grain	115	420	162	591
Wheat Flour	95	346	132	480
Cereal Total	210	766	294	1,071
Yellow Split Peas	60	205	60	205
CSB Supercereal plus	40	150	40	150
Vegetable Oil	35	309	35	309
Salt	5	0	5	0
GRAND TOTAL		1,430		1,735

Fig 2: Breakdown of current food distribution basket.

Health

Achievements and Impact

- During the period under review, Crude Mortality was at 0.2/1,000/month while Under Five Mortality was at 0.6/1,000/month.
- UNHCR has facilitated consultancy visits by AMREF specialists from 14 to 18 March. A dentist and a dermatologist will be on ground offering specialized services to refugees in the camp. Additionally, IRC in conjunction with AIC Health Ministries held an eye camp which served 76 patients from the camp. The patients had cataract surgeries done at Kakuma Mission Hospital.
- Due to ongoing hygiene promotion activities across the camp, malaria cases are now on a downward trend; UNHCR and WASH partner NRC with technical support from the CDC are conducting activities including indoor residual spraying and larviciding in readiness for the expected long rains.
- The annual technical review workshop was held from 14 to 15 March. Participants included technical experts from UNHCR Kakuma, Nairobi and the regional office, UNFPA, WFP, IRC, NRC, AMREF, AIC Health Ministries and NCKK. The forum will review health, nutrition and WASH indicators and implementation of activities for 2016.

Water and Sanitation

Achievements and Impact

- During the reporting period, per capita water distribution in Kakuma 4 was 19l following a cumulative supply of 12,865m³ of water.
- Monitoring of water treatment at all boreholes and maintenance of cleanliness at water storage points continued. Inspection of water supply distribution system and repairs of broken pipes were done following the flash flood that were experienced in the past week.
- Community WASH promoters conducted door to door campaigns to sensitize refugees on proper latrine use and draining stagnant water ponds following the rains to prevent mosquito breeding.

Shelter and NFIs

Achievements and Impact

- Following the flash floods that were experienced in Kakuma, UNHCR and NCKC conducted a quick impact assessment to establish the level of damage caused by the floods. It was established that over 200 refugee households were affected by the floods which submerged shelters and destroying the superstructures. Drainage systems were also blocked causing serious water log in many parts of the camp. In some areas, children had difficulty accessing school for the day. UNHCR and NCKC mobilized community members to open up the water pathways. Affected families have received shelters and NFIs and reinforcement of broken dykes in the camp and around affected compounds has been planned.

Identified needs and Remaining Gaps

- The camp has surpassed its capacity and there is no more space to settle new arrivals and persons affected by the floods. As a result of the steady flow of new arrivals, refugees are now being accommodated at the reception centre for longer period than planned. The centre is designed to accommodate 2,000 persons for a period of two weeks and currently there are 1,087 persons there. The office is seeking alternative accommodation for this group of people including establishing temporary holding centres until preparations for Kalobeyei camp are finalised and ready for occupation.

Access to Energy

Achievements and Impact

- Since January to date, GIZ has installed 99 solar street lights in strategic locations such as market places, highly frequented streets and paths within the camp and in Kakuma town. UNHCR has received an additional 100 solar lights under IKEA support.
- 2,100 energy saving stoves produced with GIZ support have been distributed to vulnerable refugees in the camp, including new arrivals.

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. Monthly Inter-Agency meetings chaired by UNHCR and co-chaired by DRA continue to be held including monthly meetings with refugee representatives in the camp.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total requested funding for the Kakuma operation amounts to **US\$ 45.2million**

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 unearmarked and broadly earmarked funds

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