

NIGER WEEKLY SITUATION REPORT

Reporting date: From 20th July to 26th August 2012

I. Overview

At least 44 people have been killed and thousands more made homeless after heavy floods caused the Niger River to overflow earlier this week, flooding parts of the capital Niamey and other areas. Up to 340,000 people have been affected by the floods, Niger's government has said. It has declared a state of emergency and called for urgent international aid for 2,000 displaced people. The first foreign aid plane chartered by Ireland and bringing tents, mosquito nets and other relief items to victims of Niger's flood in Dosso area, arrived Sunday in Niamey. UNHCR has agreed to contribute to the inter-agency humanitarian response and has in that respect released 900 of the 2000 Plastic sheeting it plans to make available.

UNHCR participated in a UN agencies joint evaluation mission in the Tillabery area aimed at identifying special assistance needs for the disaster stricken population following the recent floodings

In total, 172 new households of 961 individuals have been registered in the three camps during the studied week. Arrivals are now slow but steady.

II - Major Developments

The general situation remains calm in the country. During the week under report, the frequent rains have caused floods throughout Niger. As a consequence access to the camps are made even more difficult. In terms of damage caused to physical infrastructure the camps have been relatively spared except for Tabareybayrey. The heavy wind and the rains from the 18th and 19th have destroyed several of the MSF tents building which serves as medical center, with serious damages to medical equipments and medical supply. The tents used as offices and consultation rooms were destroyed and documents, office supplies were all lost. Although all the shattered infrastructures were fixed, additional medical supplies and material will be needed to replace the losses.

With the bad road conditions a water truck in Abala overturned on the 25th of August. Four persons, two of them refugees, who were on board were slightly injured. The vehicle however has sustained some serious damage. Following the accident, security has instructed for water trucks do not carry individuals, especially when it is loaded with water tanks.

In Niamey, from the 22nd to the 24th the UNHCR multifunctional team worked on the Country Operations Plan and defined relevant objectives and key indicators to implement the 2013 strategy.

III – Statistics

Registration Progress 27 August 2012:

		Level 1 registration						Un-registered					
		Maliens		Nigeriens		Total		Maliens		Nigeriens		Total	
		HH	IND	HH	IND	HH	IND	HH	IND	HH	IND	HH	IND
AYOROU	GAOUEL	348	1422	81	322	429	1744						
	INTADABDAB	57	315			57	315						
	MBEIDOUN	124	382	175	590	299	972						
	TABAREYBAREY	1722	8118	67	348	1789	8466						
	TIDIRGALENE	39	105			39	105						
	TINFAGATE	222	675			222	675						
	AYOROU Total	2512	11017	323	1260	2835	12277						
FILINGUE	ABALA			54	261	54	261						
	Camp Abala	2543	13409			2543	13409						
	KIZAMOU	23	103	8	36	31	139						
	MIEL	421	1264	28	120	449	1384						
	TIGZEFAN	702	2517	4	24	706	2541						
FILINGUE Total	3689	17293	94	441	3783	17734							
OUALLAM	BANIBANGOU	41	128			41	128						
	CHINEGODRAR			39	148	39	148						
	MANGAIZE	1003	3870	293	1155	1296	5025						
OUALLAM Total	1044	3998	332	1303	1376	5301							
TILLIA	AGANDO	2415	13044	7	38	2422	13082						
	CHINWAREN	455	2323	1	7	456	2330						
TILLIA Total	2870	15367	8	45	2878	15412							
NIAMEY	NIAMEY							1033	6327	0	0	1033	6327
Grand Total		10115	47675	757	3049	10872	50724	1033	6327	0	0	1033	6327
Grand total enregistres (Rurals+Urbans)											11905	57051	

Age and gender Breakdown:

		Maliens					Nigériens				
		0-04	05-11	12-17	18-59	>=60	0-4	05-11	12-17	18-59	>=60
GAOUEL	Male	129	207	74	142	15	37	34	11	34	5
	Female	155	259	86	318	37	45	43	22	87	4
	Total	284	466	160	460	52	82	77	33	121	9
INTADABDAB	Male	35	36	19	41	3	0	0	0	0	0
	Female	42	51	22	63	3	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	77	87	41	104	6	0	0	0	0	0
MBEIDOUN	Male	38	42	15	56	3	62	59	35	122	5
	Female	43	48	16	116	5	40	50	26	178	13
	Total	81	90	31	172	8	102	109	61	300	18
TABAREYBAREY	Male	941	1321	229	929	30	39	52	10	31	3
	Female	947	1619	295	1733	74	52	76	4	77	4
	Total	1888	2940	524	2662	104	91	128	14	108	7
TIDIRGALENE	Male	15	5	4	22	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Female	11	15	5	26	2	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	26	20	9	48	2	0	0	0	0	0
TINFAGATE	Male	54	127	21	103	3	0	0	0	0	0
	Female	64	108	31	156	8	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	118	235	52	259	11	0	0	0	0	0
ABALA	Male	0	0	0	0	0	30	34	17	22	1
	Female	0	0	0	0	0	35	50	21	48	3
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	65	84	38	70	4
Camp Abala	Male	1390	1917	907	1795	163	0	0	0	0	0
	Female	1670	2068	892	2525	82	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	3060	3985	1799	4320	245	0	0	0	0	0
KIZAMOU	Male	18	12	10	19	1	3	7	2	5	0
	Female	7	12	5	17	2	4	5	0	9	1
	Total	25	24	15	36	3	7	12	2	14	1
MIEL	Male	137	128	48	322	10	16	13	8	11	0
	Female	120	133	65	289	12	19	20	6	26	1
	Total	257	261	113	611	22	35	33	14	37	1
TIGZEFAN	Male	286	258	88	481	17	3	5	1	1	1
	Female	326	318	75	629	39	2	5	2	4	0
	Total	612	576	163	1110	56	5	10	3	5	1
BANIBANGOU	Male	19	16	6	12	3	0	0	0	0	0
	Female	18	10	13	29	2	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	37	26	19	41	5	0	0	0	0	0
CHINEGODRAR	Male	0	0	0	0	0	16	19	8	23	4
	Female	0	0	0	0	0	22	22	12	22	0
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	38	41	20	45	4
MANGAIZE	Male	490	530	157	449	38	158	109	49	156	13
	Female	519	558	175	903	51	155	175	54	266	20
	Total	1009	1088	332	1352	89	313	284	103	422	33
AGANDO	Male	953	1555	1087	2214	467	7	4	3	7	0
	Female	1237	1621	1189	2401	320	2	3	1	11	0
	Total	2190	3176	2276	4615	787	9	7	4	18	0
CHINWAREN	Male	206	265	162	424	23	1	1	0	1	0
	Female	230	354	167	476	16	0	3	0	1	0
	Total	436	619	329	900	39	1	4	0	2	0
TOTAL	Male	4711	6419	2827	7009	776	372	337	144	413	32
	Female	5389	7174	3036	9681	653	376	452	148	729	46
	Total	10100	13593	5863	16690	1429	748	789	292	1142	78

Variation of statistics between 20th and 27th of august in various sites and camps.

Variation between 20/ 27 August 2012		Level 1 registration					
		Malian		Nigerien		Total	
		H H	IN D	H H	IN D	H H	IN D
AYOROU	GAOUEL	-1	-6	0	0	-1	-6
	INTADABDAB	0	0	0	0	0	0
	MBEIDOUN	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TABAREYBAREY	33	179	3	17	36	196
	TIDIRGALENE	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TINFAGATE	0	0	0	0	0	0
FILINGUE	ABALA	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Camp Abala	121	696	0	0	121	696
	KIZAMOU	0	0	0	0	0	0
	MIEL	-1	-4	0	0	-1	-4
	TIGZEFAN	0	0	0	0	0	0
OUALLAM	BANIBANGOU	0	0	0	0	0	0
	CHINEGODRAR	0	0	0	0	0	0
	MANGAIZE	9	34	6	35	15	69
TILLIA	AGANDO	0	0	0	0	0	0
	CHINWAREN	0	0	0	0	0	0
NIAMEY	NIAMEY	0	0	0	0	0	0

Camps

- Negative figures indicate refugee movement from the sites toward the official UNHCR camps.
- Positive figures indicate number of refugees added following registration.

VI – Protection

A- Access/Reception

Nothing to report

B- Border monitoring/Detention

Nothing to report

C- Physical safety (violence and exploitation)

The cases of the 8 malians individuals who were detained by the Security then later transferred to Ayourou camp continues to be of concern. UNHCR has conducted individual interview of these persons and made strong representation to the Government to have them removed from the camp (as mentioned in the Sit Rep covering te week of the 6th to the 12th august). The President of CNE has been approached for a working meeting to examine the issue.

D- Registration

Preparation to undertake the registration of urban refugees has been finalized and should be implemented by next week. This will be followed by a verification exercise in refugee in camps Tabareybarey, and Mangaize Ayourou and the sites of Agando and Chinwaren in Tilia.

A mission is scheduled during the week on the site Mangaize in the capacity building of partners Registration. It will enhance the reporting capabilities of our partners on a daily and weekly and see how the form of screening methods and procedures for reporting and follow-up on cases of disputes.

On the 24th of August, the UNHCR security team in the camp of Abala uncovered a network that has been set up to fraudulently issue Malian identification documents that was to enable Nigerians as well as other Malians to pass for asylum seekers and therefore be registered as refugees. This network involves a refugee and he has been handed over to the police for further investigation. A total number 461 blank Identification support documents and 4 stamps representing official seals for the Prefecture and various forging equipment has been seized.

Procedures are being reviewed to improve existing protection screening process leading to registration.

In *Tabareybarey*, it was discovered during the food distribution that some refugees arrived in the camp with the IOM are not in the master list of the UNHCR. They were then registered on a separate list which has been sent to the UNHCR registration team in Niamey for follow up. In *Abala*, a census of pregnant women is conducted by ACTED and the UNHCR protection team. The aim is to avoid home births and facilitate the establishment of legal documents such as birth certificates.

E- Child Protection

In *Mangaize camp*, a World Vision mission came the 20 and 21st of August to identify 4 areas for the construction of recreational centers for children. Around 1300 children benefit from the activities organized in similar centers the “Child Friendly Spaces” managed by Help in *Abala* Camp.

F- SGBV (prevention and response)

The UNHCR SGBV focal point has arrived in Niamey and has been working in establishing contacts with other UN agencies and NGO to evaluate the current state of SGBV activities in the camps. UNFPA and Oxfam have carried out training on SGBV and have been leading initiatives to set up multifunctional team in Ayorou, Abala, Mangaize and Banibangou. A meeting is planned this week with those organizations to discuss further their programs and their implementation with regard to the refugee population.

G. Persons with specific needs

In *Tabareybarey*, Plan Niger is working on the identification of vulnerable individuals. So far they reported 6 women at risks, 35 widows, 3 mentally ill person, 52 separated child, 3 blind and one individual with a chronic disease. To correctly report and take care of the vulnerable individuals, a coordination meeting on identification and management of people with specific needs is planned between Plan Niger and UNHCR on the 27th of August.

H. Community development (including relations with host communities)

On the 21st of August the 2nd football match between host communities and refugees has been organized in *Mangaize* as part as the Ramadan celebrations and brought together more than 1000 individuals.

The plantation of tree seedling by refugees continues with great success a with 70% of the 2800 trees have now been planted.

In Abala camp, the police stopped a gathering organized by a group of 3 refugees and a non identified individual, supposedly working for local authorities. The objective of the gathering was to claim that host populations be included in the assistance programs planned for refugees within

the camp. It was also demanded on this occasion by one of instigator of the gathering that every refugee be treated equally without any ethnical distinctions.

UNHCR is analyzing this issue and will work to reinforce program aimed at building a peaceful coexistence between host communities and refugees.

G- Education

School programs in Mangaize now counts 285 children registered in primary school and 36 in secondary school and 3 teachers. While efforts to have canteen set up to serve hot meals to children after classes, must be commended, the food served (rice and beans) required variety and a the amount per each children appears insufficient. Teachers have been asking for an increase and an improvement of the portions.

V – Operations

A - WASH:

1- Water Situation as of 24th of august

The total need for potable water (on the 20 liters per person per day basis) is of 686 m3 per day yet the amount of available water as of today is 366 m3 per day.

Currently, the specific consumption per person per day is 10, 70 liter per person per day, instead of 10, 86 last week. This decline is due to the growing number of the population refugee and the slow progresses of the water supply network development.

Action taken to address the remaining gaps:

To address this situation, equipment has been bought (pumps and generators) for the *Mangaize Camp* network. A World Vision mission came the 20 and 21st to identify two areas for the construction of a new small water supply network.

In *Abala*, Acted has been asked to finish the construction of the small water supply network before Tuesday the 28th. Contacts have also been made with the “Qatar Red Crescent” to build an additional mini water network to supply Abala village. Meanwhile, sensitization campaignsto promote a rational use of water are underways.

As for *Tabareybarey* camp, MSF CH has been asked to increase the amount of water produced in the Ayorou water treatment center and Plan Niger should take in charge the additional water trucking costs. Following the decision to design a new site for refugees in the area, UNHCR is currently discussing with the Hydrolic Regional Direction of Tillabéry the best water supply network possibilities for the future site.

Sites	Aballa	Tabareyberey	Mangaize	Agando	Chinwaren
Current population	12713	8270	4956	6000	2330
Number of Households	2422	1753	1281	1200	456
Water need for current population in m3/day base on 20m3/pers/day	254,26	165,4	99,12	120	46,6
Total of available water (m3/d)	120	110	36,4	40	60
Current consumption (l/d/p)	9,44	13,30	7,34	3,06	25,75
Production capacity	150	180	197	WT from military boreholes	

Pourcentage of population situated at more than 200m from a water point	25	0	25	80	80
Number of person per robinet	354 (36)	197 (42)	104 (48)	Population go straight to the tanks	192 (12)
Gaps in m3/d	134,26	55,4	62,72	60	0

2- Latrine and shower situation as of 24rd of August

Action taken to address the gaps:

There has been no significant changes during the studied week. The call for tender to find a new partner for the latrines and shower construction and maintenance has been initiated and the projects submitted on 20th of august. Meanwhile the UNHCR is still carrying on the rehabilitations of 22 latrines in Mangaize.

	Sites	Aballa	Tabarey berey	Mangaize	Agando	Chinwaren
Latrines	Current population	12713	8270	4956	6000	2330
	Number of households	2422	1753	1281	1200	456
	Latrines need (50pers/latrine : Sphere emergency's standard)	636	414	248	652	117
	Number of built latrines	254	147	*	32	22
	Number of functional latrines	?	141	*	32	22
	Number of person per latrine	?		*	88	22
	Gap to obtain standard of 50 pers/latrine	?	267	*	620	95
	Partners	MSF FR, Partner to be found	MSF CH, SP	*	UNICEF, ACH	UNICEF, ACH
Douches	Shower need (50pers/shower: Sphere emergency's standard)	255	165	100	120	47
	Number of built shower	112	4	*	32	22
	Number of functional shower	?	4	*	32	22
	Number of person per shower	?	268	*	188	106
	Gap to obtain emergency standard of 50 pers/shower	?	161	*	88	25

	Partners	MSF FR, Partner to be found	MSF CH	*	UNICEF, ACH	UNICEF, ACH
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B- Assistance/ Distributions planned

- Food

In **Mangaize**, the monthly distribution organized by the WFP is 10 days late due to technical and logistical reasons on the Nigerien Red Cross behalf (WFP partner on this matter).

In **Tabareybarey**, the food distribution was slightly disrupted by a bean shortage that occurred on the 21th of august. In agreement with the WFP the amount of food distributed was :

Rice : 1,5kg per person per month

Bean : 2kg per person per month (instead of 3kg)

Oil : 0,6kg per person per month.

The blanket feeding distribution for the month of august ended during the studied week. In total, 359 children received the CSB+. However, to make sure that the ratio will be consumed only by the targeted population and not by relatives, a CSB distribution was held for an additional 1187 household.

In **Abala**, the salt distribution reached 1862 households of 10 344 and ended the 22nd of august.

C- Health and Nutrition

There were no cholera cases to report during the studied week.

With the recent amount of stagnant water an outbreak of malaria is to be expected.

Meanwhile in **Tabareybarey camp**, the issue of emergencies during nights remains. 3 late night childbirths without any medical assistance were reported. It is becoming urgent to set up a night assistance procedure in case this situation happens again. Moreover, a shortage of baby kits and hygienic kits has been notified and actions have been taken by UNHCR in Niamey to deliver those as soon as possible. Regarding nutrition, a malnutrition screening was organized during the Blanket feeding distribution and 36 were diagnosed with severe malnutrition, 102 with moderate malnutrition. They were sent to the MSF CH medical center.

During the studied week, 56 person from the camp of **Mangaize** were taken by ambulance to the integrated health center in Mangaize village. Main pathologies were malaroa, diarrreas, respiratory infections, dermatosis and eyes infections.

In **Tillia**, 560 medical consultations were reported. Most common diseases are malaria (19%), malnutrition (14%) and dermatosis (8%).

D - Site planning/shelter

In **Mangaize**, Islamic Relief and the shelter committee, both in charge of the camp delimitation have formed 38 visually identified sites.

Due to the heavy rains mentioned before in **Tabareybarey**, 22 tents and 2 latrines were destroyed, and the lost of NFI's such as buckets, moskito nets, clothes, pots and mats are to be deplored. A distribution of plastic sheets is planned for next week and NFI's will follow.

Meanwhile, 64 new tents have been installed in the camp extention site and are now occupied by refugees. 4 different distributions sites have also been set up to avoid crowds, and are operationals. Discussion are underway with Plan Niger for the construction of hangars that will allow refugees to wait in a sun protected area.

VI - Leadership, Coordination & Partnership

A UNICEF mission came to Abala camp on the 22nd of august and met the refugee committee with UNHCR, ACTED and Help. They discussed the notions of un-accompanied children and the ways to reunite families.

UNHCR and UNICEF, in a spirit of solidarity and respect for each other's mandates, are working on an agreement on the terms and conditions of the Memorandum to share responsibility in the

management and daily implementation of activities for Malian in the following sectors: nutrition, education, child protection and wash.

VI- Management and Admin

MOSS/MORSS

MOSS compliance in the deep field *in Abala* :

Staff in Abala are commuting from Filingue to the camp (distance of 75 km x 2 of very bad road in the rainy season). Even though they travel under armed escort, the nature of the road makes them get home in the night which is not safe even under escort. They stay in Filingue because of the lack of accommodation in Abala. In the meantime, a short term structure has been put up in the camp to serve as an office. It was advised by the UN security team that Staff quarters be urgently built in Abala on the site given by the authorities and following UN security norms.

Situation of the security Post in the camp of *Mangaize* :

The authorities seem to be overwhelmed by this problem, as they do not have an immediate solution. If this persists, and it will certainly as the gendarmes are afraid to work there, UNHCR should push for the relocation of the present camp to a much safer environment in country.

VI- Funding and donor relations

Nothing to report

VI- Visibility

Nothing to report

VI- Outstanding request to HQ

Nothing to report