



HIGHLIGHTS

376

Asylum seekers have been registered since January 2014, including 34 asylum seekers in the month of August.

14

Persons departed on resettlement in August.

195

Refugees attended an anti-fraud training in August.

29

Staff from NCFRMI, attended a refugee protection training in August.

Population of concern

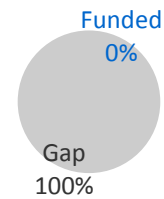
A total of **2,557** people of concern

By country of origin

Nigeria	Refugees	Asylum Seekers	Total PoC
Cameroon	547	0	547
Congo DRC	531	405	936
Cote d'Ivoire	106	69	175
Mali	98	232	330
Chad	71	41	112
Others	243	214	457
Total	1596	961	2557

Funding

USD 5,473,649 million requested



UNHCR Presence

Staffing:

16 National Staff
02 International Staff

Offices:

01 Branch Office in Abuja
01 Field Office in Lagos



WORKING WITH PARTNERS

In order to ensure the protection of refugees and coordinate their assistance, UNHCR works closely with **governmental partners**: National Commission for Refugees, Migration and Internally Displaced Persons (NCFRMI), National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) as well as other **UN Agencies**. UNHCR also works with **implementing partners**: Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency of Nigeria (SMEDAN) National Red Cross Society (NRCS), Justice Development and Peace Commission (JDPC); **NGOs**: CARITAS, Jama'atul Nasarul Islam (JNI), Action Aid and **IDP-related working groups**. UNHCR collaborates with **ECOWAS** through the framework of a MoU signed in 2001.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Protection

- **Asylum seekers**: A total of 376 asylum seekers have been registered since January 2014, including 34 asylum seekers in the month of August 2014.
- **Durable solutions**: 14 persons departed on resettlement in August thus making a total of 108 departed persons on resettlement in 2014
- Three trainings/sensitizations held including: antifraud sensitization for 195 Refugees; refugee protection training for the 29 staff of the National Commission for Refugees; refugee protection and roles/responsibilities for security guards and interpreters.

Education

- UNHCR educational support to refugees is in progress. 276 children (85%) between 6 and 11 years attending primary school, 65 refugees under secondary education sponsorship and 8 students under DAFI scholarship programme for university in Nigeria have benefited from this support. A total of 117 primary school students and 40 secondary school students were assisted with education allowance for the third term of 2013/2014 academic session.

Health

- UNHCR Nigeria planned to procure sanitizers and hygiene material for staff, refugees, asylum seekers and IDPs in Lagos, Ijebu Ode, Ituvav and Gombe as a preventive measure for Ebola outbreak in Nigeria.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

- Ebola sensitization is planned for the first week of September 2014 in Lagos, Ijebu Ode, Ituvav and Gombe for refugees, asylum seekers and IDPs. It will be done jointly with Ministry of Health, civil societies and the government.

Operation management:

- UNHCR Nigeria received approval from Budget Committee of USD 1,500,000 for its IDPs operation.
- UNHCR Nigeria submitted a proposal to CERF for USD550, 000. The amount is to cover support to victims of SGBV in Yobe and Borno states. The submission is done jointly with other UN agencies (UNICEF, UNFPA and IOM) working in the protection sector.
- Following the mid-year review, revised partnership agreements were signed with NCFRMI and JDPC. The agreements cover protection and assistance to refugees and asylum seekers in Nigeria.

Collaboration with ECOWAS Commission

- Adoption by ECOWAS Commission of the Joint UNHCR-ECOWAS Action Plan for 2014-2017 and the follow up mechanism on the progress made in the implementation of the joint Action Plan.
- Ongoing consultations between the Office and the ECOWAS Commission on preparation of the Regional Ministerial Conference on Statelessness in West Africa to be organized by UNHCR and ECOWAS Commission on 20/22 October 2014 in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.

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