

NIGERIA: PROTECTION SECTOR FACTSHEET

AS OF AUGUST 2015



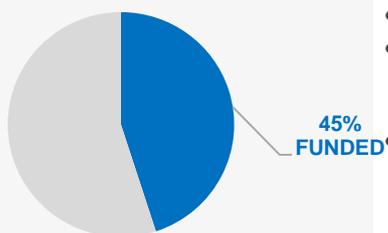
2.2 million
PEOPLE IN NEED



1.3 million
PEOPLE TARGETED

Sources: SRP March 2015

FUNDING REQUIRED
USD 28.4 MILLION



COVERAGE



MEMBERS

Members composed of Government, INGO, NGO, United Nations and national institutions

HIGHLIGHTS

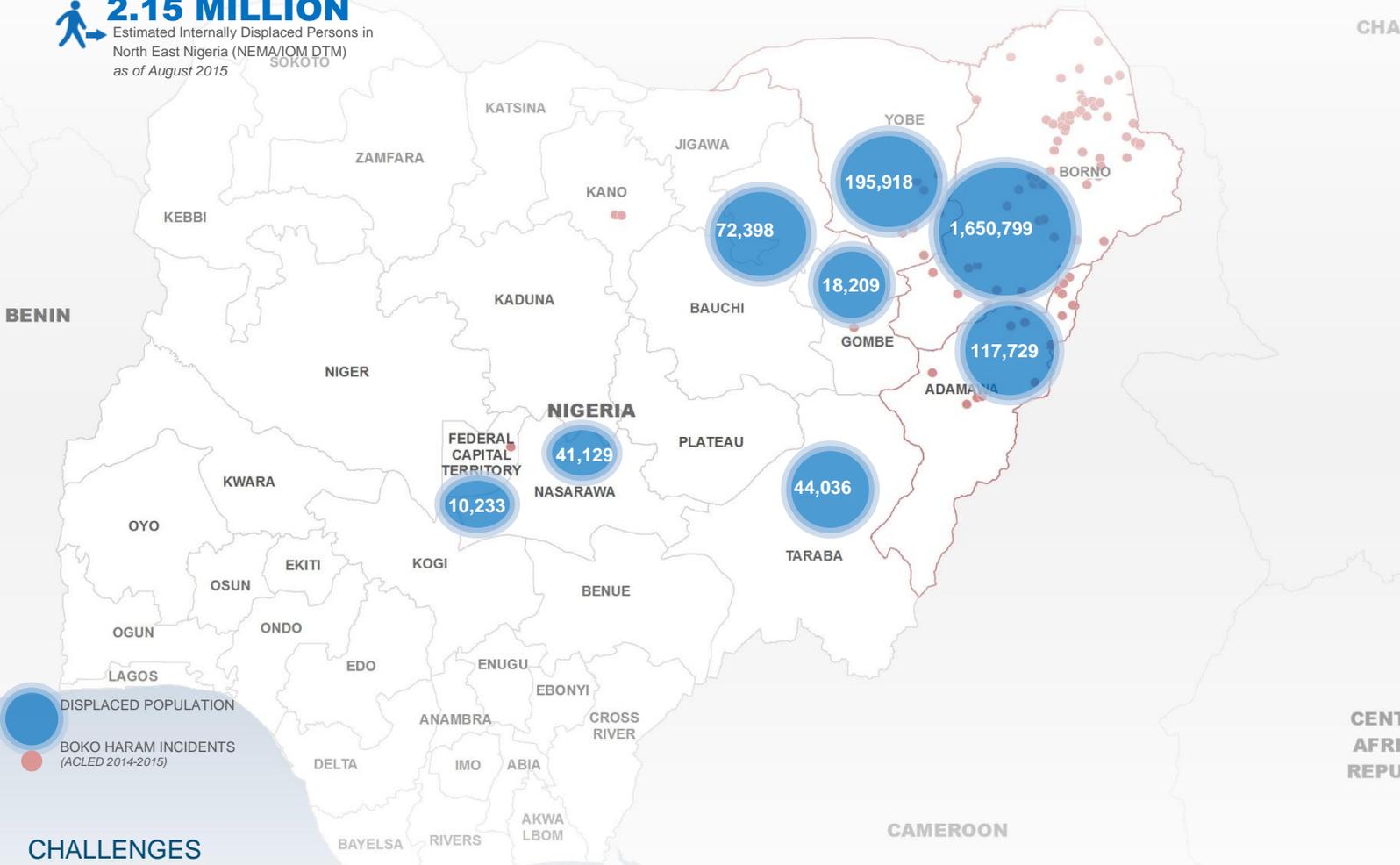
- 13,160 stakeholders, IDPs and community members trained and sensitized on protection principles.
- 55,187 children (46% girls) have been reached with psychosocial support through 174 child friendly spaces/child clubs established. 1,062 children at risk and survivors supported through inter-agency case management system.
- 1,248 unaccompanied and separated children (UASC) placed in alternative care arrangements; and 306 foster/host parents trained on care and protection of UASC.
- 938 sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) survivors reached with support, including medical, legal and psychosocial. 11,488 dignity kits and 2,000 solar lanterns distributed to vulnerable women and young girls.
- Gender Based Violence Information Management System launched for SGBV SWG.
- Protection monitoring system carried out by 314 protection monitors in 10 states.
- PSWG Visioning and Strategic Retreat held on August 6-7. The Conclusions, Recommendations and Follow-up Actions of the Retreat were validated thereafter by the PSWG and widely disseminated to humanitarian stakeholders.
- Advocacy on the development of a national law and policy ongoing, including at an IDP Summit jointly organized by PSWG partners on August 19-20, with participation of key stakeholders including IDPs. The Summit recommended among others that the Federal Government fast track the adoption of the National Policy as this will improve collaboration of stakeholders in the area of humanitarian and development intervention.
- Advocacy in ensuring the compliance of return of IDPs with applicable international, regional and national standards carried out.
- 3,393 IDP and host community members have been reached with communication messages on Child Protection and SGBV.
- PSWG partners contributed to the process of preparing the Humanitarian Needs Overview.

PROTECTION TRENDS

- 10,013 Nigerian returnees have arrived from Cameroon as at August 27th to the border town of Sahuda in Adamawa State. Returnees are being registered in Sahuda and transported thereafter to Mubi for screening. They are then transported either to: Malkohi, NYSC or Fufore camps in Yola; to Borno State; or to host communities. Key protection issues include family separation, as many Nigerian returnees report being arrested and sent back to Nigeria with their families remaining in Cameroon, as well as many returnees reporting lack of documentation.
- Protection Monitoring Summary of August 2015 reveals forced displacement, killings, security incidents, destruction of property and arbitrary detention as most prevalent protection abuses.
- In Taraba State, the Governor called on traditional rulers to ensure that all IDPs return to their places of original residence and that all confiscated land belonging to the IDPs be returned to the returnees. A number of IDPs thereafter returned and attacks against IDPs have been reported, with at least 7 civilians killed. There were also reports of killings of returnees who were engaged in clearing their farmlands and houses.
- In Plateau State, daily communal clashes between herdsmen and local farmers have resulted in the killing, maiming and displacement of civilians, as well as destruction of 25 entire villages.




2.15 MILLION
 Estimated Internally Displaced Persons in
 North East Nigeria (NEMA/IOM DTM)
 as of August 2015



CHALLENGES

- Monitoring protection trends and needs of the most vulnerable individuals.
- Immediate, medium term and long term support to address the impact of psychological distress and physical violence on immediate survivors and secondary victims, including unwanted pregnancies and associated stigma to enhance reintegration into communities/ families.
- Major gaps in ensuring protection of and assistance to “invisible” IDPs living in host communities.
- Limited presence of child protection and SGBV actors in host communities in Borno, Adamawa and Yobe is hindering the identification and response to the needs of children at risk and survivors among displaced population.

GOALS

- Ensure predictable, accountable and effective coordination of protection response at the National and State levels.
- Ensure the centrality of protection in the humanitarian response in Nigeria through effective mainstreaming of protection in all humanitarian sectors.
- Ensure that PSWG members are accountable to affected populations through consultative and feedback mechanisms.

OBJECTIVES

- To ensure that gaps in the response to protection issues are systematically identified and addressed including through protection monitoring activities and participation in joint assessments.
- To advocate for a protective environment for vulnerable groups such as displaced persons, survivors and those at risk of sexual and gender-based violence, children and young persons, persons with disabilities and older persons.
- To support HCT’s advocacy work in protection including compliance with international standards on durable solutions.
- To provide targeted trainings and capacity building on protection for humanitarian actors, authorities and other relevant actors.
- To support the effective mainstreaming of protection in all humanitarian sectors.
- To provide support and guidance to sub-sector working groups and PSWGs at the State-level.