

# NIGERIA: PROTECTION SECTOR FACTSHEET

AS OF NOVEMBER 2015

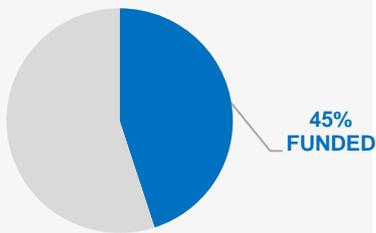


**2.2 million**  
PEOPLE IN NEED



**1.3 million**  
PEOPLE TARGETED  
*Sources: SRP March 2015*

FUNDING REQUIRED  
USD 28.4 MILLION



## COVERAGE



## MEMBERS

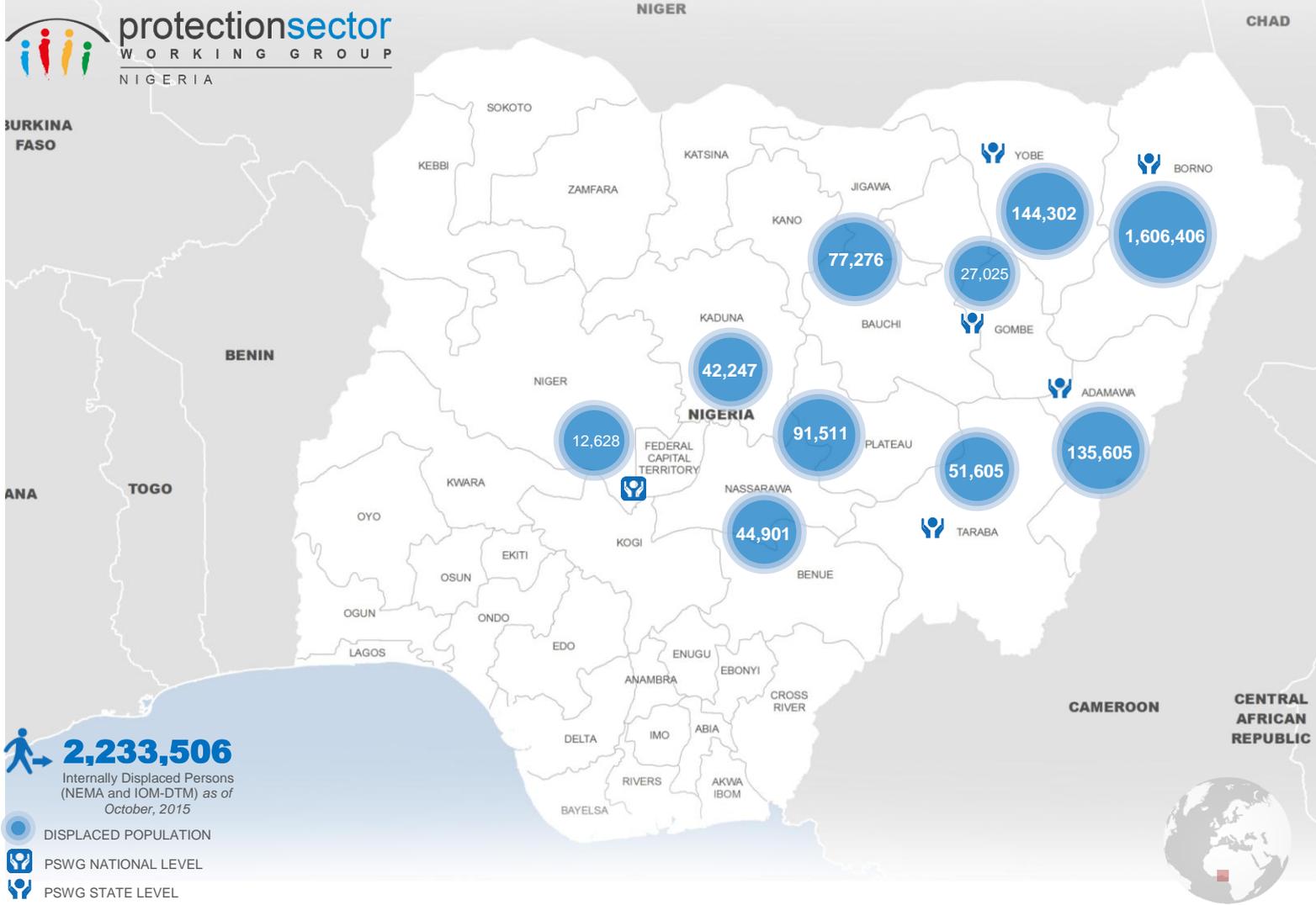
Members composed of Government, INGO, NGO, United Nations and national institutions

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **27,353** stakeholders, IDPs and community members trained/sensitized/capacity strengthened on protection principles.
- **23,376** most vulnerable individuals reached with material assistance in 5 cholera affected camps in Maiduguri, with response including HCT-level advocacy, hygiene sensitization campaigns and support to most vulnerable families with non-food items and shelter.
- **120** Members of the House of Representatives sensitized on the provisions of the AU Convention on the Protection & Assistance of IDPs.
- Coordination between PSWG members and the High Powered Committee in Borno is ongoing concerning the Government's plan to relocate over 55,000 IDPs from 8 camp sites which are public schools, with members advocating and planning for acceptable alternative facilities and services to be in place in receiving camps.
- Advocacy to authorities, humanitarian actors and the HCT on the need to enhance security and protection around IDP sites ongoing, including through PSWG recommendations on practical steps to improve security around IDP sites.
- **76,068** children have been reached with psychosocial support through **204** child friendly spaces/clubs established.
- **2,173** children at risk and survivors supported through inter-agency case management system; **662** UASC placed in alternative care arrangements; **2,048** foster/host parents trained in care and protection of UASC.
- **9,095** survivors of SGBV and their family members have been reached with psychosocial support in IDP camps. **6** Safe Spaces for Women and Girls have been established in Malkohi and NYSC camps in Adamawa in addition to 4 such Safe Spaces established in Borno State. **11,728** dignity kits and **2,000** solar lanterns distributed to vulnerable women and girls.
- Advocacy ongoing to ensure that return of IDPs occurs in a manner consistent with applicable international, regional and national standards.
- Protection monitoring system ongoing through protection monitors in **10** states.
- PSWG contributed to the preparation of the Humanitarian Needs Overview and Humanitarian Response Plan.

## PROTECTION TRENDS

- **17,221** Nigerian returnees have arrived from Cameroon through the border town of Sahuda, where they are registered and then taken to Mubi, for security 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 returnees being forced back to Nigeria without even the opportunity for them to bring their belongings, as well as family separation, as some were sent back to Nigeria while their families remain in Cameroon. More Nigerians are expected to continue to be expelled from Cameroon in the coming weeks. A contingency plan to respond to the needs of the Nigerian returnees is being developed by the Adamawa PSWG.
- Over **300,000** IDPs in Adamawa have returned to local governments of habitual residence where they remain in need of urgent assistance. When and where returns of IDPs take place, livelihoods and reconstruction support will be necessary as well as mine risk education activities concerning awareness as to international/local marking systems and appropriate safe behavior when finding a mine/explosive remnant of war.
- Cholera outbreak in Maiduguri, Borno, with **1039** cases and **18** deaths as of November 22<sup>nd</sup>, contributing to serious protection concerns.



## CHALLENGES

- Plan to immediately relocate 55,000 IDPs staying in schools in Maiduguri raises concerns as to adequate alternative shelter and services in receiving camps.
- Major gaps in ensuring protection of and assistance to “invisible” IDPs living in host communities.
- An estimated 3 million affected civilians in need of humanitarian assistance are in locations that are not regularly accessible to humanitarian partners due to security concerns.
- Targeted response to the needs of most vulnerable individuals requires scaling up.
- Immediate, medium-term and long-term support to address the impact of trauma and physical violence on immediate survivors and secondary victims, including unwanted pregnancies and associated stigma to enhance reintegration into communities/families.
- 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, and SGBV 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.