



Walking for Humanity March, on WRD, Yola
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World Refugee Day

National: UNHCR, the Federal and State governments of Nigeria commemorated this year's World Refugee Day (WRD) in Adamawa, Lagos and Sokoto States on the 20th of June, 2016. In Yola, Adamawa State, UNHCR and the American University of Nigeria (AUN) marked the day with Prayers for the Displaced in the Nigerian Police Barak Central Mosque and Adamawa State Government House Chapel, Yola, Adamawa State. The event in Yola also included Walking for Humanity March with the Adamawa Police Band joined by the Deputy Governor of Adamawa, UNHCR Representative to Nigeria and ECOWAS and other key figures; speeches by the Deputy Governor of Adamawa and UNHCR Representative to Nigeria and ECOWAS, good will messages by IDP representative, SEMA, NEMA, NCFRMI, UNOCHA and AUN; cultural dance display by Adamawa cultural troupes; poem and songs by IDP children, award to IDP leaders with outstanding voluntary service to their communities and others. In a separate event, the Nigerian Immigration Service, Sokoto State Command marked this year WRD in Sokoto State with a rally to the Government House and lectures for traditional leaders on the role of communities in refugee protection and a lecture for security agencies on refugee protection. In Lagos, the event was remarkable by a huge turnout of refugees at the UNHCR premises at Ikoyi.

Vulnerability Screening

UNHCR has concluded and shared the report of Round II of the Vulnerability Screening conducted in the six Northeastern States with the Protection Sector Working Group (PSWG). It would be recalled that the exercise was conducted by UNHCR in partnership with State Emergency Management Agencies (SEMAs), Nigerian

Red Cross Society (NRCS), National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development (MoWASD) and other humanitarian partners at field level in order to expand on the profiling of most vulnerable households conducted in Round I and further reach vulnerable households, particularly those in host communities, in most affected areas of the six North East States. Round II of the report compiles and analyses data from **133,294** IDPs with specific protection needs and vulnerabilities (from **50,706** households) to give a comprehensive assessment of the protection environment in the North East to enable effective humanitarian planning and targeted assistance.

Key findings of the report include: 33% of vulnerable IDPs are children with specific protection needs, including **7,223** unaccompanied and separated children, 25% of vulnerable IDPs are women and girls with specific protection needs, including **6,535** SGBV survivors (**3,823** early/forced marriage, **1,538** engaging in survival sex and **1,174** rape or other sexual assault), 27% of vulnerable IDPs report a serious medical condition or disability, 8% of vulnerable IDPs are elderly with protection needs, 3% of vulnerable IDPs report forced recruitment by armed groups, 3% of vulnerable IDPs report incidents of arbitrary arrest or detention, 72% of vulnerable households (HHs) lack sufficient livelihood, 56% of vulnerable households lack legal documentation, 22% of vulnerable HHs report discrimination in access to basic services, based upon IDP status, religion, disability, ethnicity or gender, 14% of vulnerable HHs report imminent fears for their safety, including fears of destruction of property, killing of civilians, abduction, presence of armed actors and/ or illegal detention

Protection Coordination

Borno: UNHCR together with the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) and International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA) representatives made a follow up visit to the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) of the Nigerian Police Borno State Command and the maximum security prison in Maiduguri to collect completed forms shared with them to register/record/filter cases of IDPs out of the general cases in detention facilities. The CID shared a list of **11** (eleven) individuals constituting three female originating from Borno, Adamawa and Niger Republic. They have been accused of crimes related to rape, abduction, and culpable homicide, among others. From the prison, some **35** individuals (**8** women) were held (not charged) for deradicalization programme. These include individuals originating from neighboring Chad, Jere, Gamboru Ngala, Kaduna, Borno, Kano and Gombe States. Another batch constituting **65** individuals with **3** (three) female amongst were listed to be awaiting trial and have been charged with a range of Penal Code offences and originating from several states around the country.

Yobe: UNHCR with other Humanitarian actors in Yobe State received the Canadian High Commissioner – Mr. Perry John Calderwood and the Head of Development Cooperation – Ms Linda Ehrichs in Damaturu. At the meeting, UNHCR briefed the High Commissioner on UNHCR's presence in Yobe, its work in the area of Protection, collaboration with the State and the interventions in the areas of Shelter and NFIs. He was also briefed on UNHCR's efforts to reach out to areas that are now being opened up to humanitarian actors such as Geidam, Gulani and Gujba. The needs to address the protection concerns of returnees and IDPs in places like Geidam and other locations that have been made inaccessible humanitarian actors as a result of the security concerns were also highlighted.

Capacity Building

Borno: UNHCR participated in the launching of the Skills acquisition training program for **100** selected IDP women and girls held at the safe space in Bakassi IDP camp, Borno State. The training was the second phase of the UNFPA and the Ministry of Women Affairs and Social Development sponsored program targeting survivors of violence. Series of goodwill messages were delivered at the event, UNHCR highlighted the fact that skills acquisition forms part of the response in the protection of survivors and economic empowerment. The SEMA chairman urged them to use their skills to support other women and NEMA encouraged them to consider exploring other skills. The trainings included cake baking, incense making, knitting, pastry, local dumpling, cap making, tailoring, reproductive health and home economics.

Benue: Following the recent clashes between farmers and herdsman in Benue State, UNHCR in collaboration with the Benue State Non-Governmental Organisation Network (BENGONET) organised a one day Peace Building training for Community leaders, Youths and Civilian Joint Taskforce (CJTF) with the theme, Strengthening Mechanisms for Sustainable Peace between Pastoralists and farmers in Nigeria. The training was followed by a UN-HCR – BENGONET 2016 Joint Monitoring of Projects and Direct Implementation in the State, which saw UNHCR monitoring distribution of Non-Food Items, like mattresses, lan-terns, blankets and pots to individual households in Aila Camp in Agatu, Benue State with BENGONET and SEMA

Protection Assessment

Borno: UNHCR undertook a rapid situation analysis of the **368** households comprising of **1,128** individual evacuated IDPs from Bama Local Government Area (LGA) to Maidurigi and currently camped at the Doctor's Quarters, a housing estate behind the Federal Secretariat complex within the Maiduguri Metropolis. Most of the IDPs are with medical needs. At the time of the visit, **5** women were referred to Umoru Shehu specialist hospital and the ambulance that referred the cases came back with two dead bodies of a **2yr** old male child and a **35yr** old woman. The main causes of the deaths were reported to be severe malnutrition and anemia compounded with acute diarrhea and other related ailments. UNHCR in collaboration with SEMA, organized a rapid NFI distribution to this group.

UNHCR visited Bama LGA on 21st June, 2016 to conduct a rapid shelter and general protection assessment for a better understanding of the current situation of IDPs in Bama for a need-based intervention plan and action. The mission was jointly organized with UNWFP, UNOCHA, IOM, MSFF and SEMA. Some of the key concerns and gaps came up in the assessment findings include the increased mortality rate amongst IDP men, women and children resulting from severe acute malnutrition and mild outbreak of gastroenteritis (Diarrhea and vomiting) which the mission attributed to poor hygiene practices which have claimed about **188** lives as at the time of the visit. **57** serious cases were referred to Maiduguri through this mission using the **2** SEMA ambulances. UNICEF in collaboration with the state primary health care department is supporting with community based management of acute malnutrition, while UNHCR is organizing hygiene material kit targeting **500** families.

Yobe: UNHCR briefed the Executive Secretary of Yobe State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) on the rapid protection assessment of the returning IDPs in Geidam and Gashua LGAs. Protection, NFIs, Shelter, Food security, Health and WASH sectors are parts of the areas that were highlighted, in terms of gaps, needs, trends, observations and suggestion on the way forward. It was agreed to address the gaps in a coordinated manner and by all concerned stakeholders through direct and indirect assistance and referrals.

Community Sensitization

UNHCR in collaboration with FHI360 held a Community Dialogue session on SGBV with community leaders in Jalingo and Ardo Kola LGAs, Taraba State under the project on delivery of Protection support to IDPs through the provision of psycho-social and other support to SGBV survivors in North East Nigeria by FHI360. Initial plans for the profiling of the IDP households has commenced under the project with FHI360. Locations and vol-unteers have been identified for the activity.

Nigerian Returnees

Adamawa: UNHCR Representative to Nigeria and ECOWAS, Angele Dikongue-Atangana visited Sahuda Border Post, Adamawa State which has been an entry point for the returned Nigerians from neighboring countries. During the visit, which saw the Representative inspecting reception and latrine facilities in the location, discussions were also conducted with Immigration Officers manning the post.

No return reported through Sahuda border post-Adamawa State in the reporting period, the total number of returned Nigerians through Sahuda border remains at **22,098**.

Borno: Following the collection of forms from the Nigerian Immigration Services registering returnees in Gamboru Ngala, Borno State, and UNHCR is currently in the process of completing data entry for further analysis.

Yobe: In response to UNHCR mission in Geidam, Yobe State and submission of forms for profiling, assessment and capturing of returnees data, UNHCR received about **631** households returnee interview forms filled and utilized from the protection monitoring in Geidam, which had **3,833** individuals. Staff members are reviewing the forms for a comprehensive report and analysis. For the spillover effect in Gashua, **185** households with about **1,235** individuals have been identified. Efforts are ongoing to identify any additional returnees in the various localities within the town.

Shelter Intervention

A total of **500** skeleton structure are ongoing on site, in Bakasi camp (main works being timber trusses fabrications). The first **140** shelters out of the **500** skeletons, are at an advanced completion stage. **100** shelters foundation works and inside floor filling with laterite were completed during this reporting period.

The shelter construction at Biafra and new prison through INTERSOS is progressing.

- In Biafra site, **1st** phase of **5** blocks accommodating **20** households was completed during the reporting period and IDPs have moved in. **2nd** phase of **5** blocks is ongoing and timber skeleton works is at advanced stage.
- New prison Construction of **4** blocks of **16** households is at advanced stage

UNHCR has developed and shared the Concept Note for the construction of emergency shelter in Dikwa with intending implementing vendor for review and further discussions.

Livelihood Intervention

Adamawa: The American University of Nigeria has started implementation of the 2016 UNHCR Protect through livelihood project with the financial literacy training for past IDP and host community women graduates of AUN-UNHCR skills acquisition training. In the reporting period, two sessions of the two-day training targeted the first batch of **80** women. Topics included introduction to banking, saving and investment. Facilitators are from Standard Microfinance Bank.

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