

KEY FIGURES

48,868*

South Sudanese refugees received since December 2013.

10,691

New arrivals that have been registered since January 2016

1,025

Unaccompanied children in Kakuma Camp.

92

Number of refugees that have voluntarily returned to Somalia

21

Litres of water provided per person

3,191

Number of refugees and asylum seekers settled at Kalobeyei

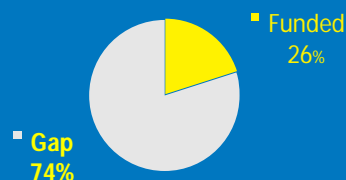
FUNDING

USD 226.7M

Requested for the Kenya operation

USD 60M

Requested for Kakuma operation



PRIORITIES

- Movement of new arrivals from Nadapal transit centre to Kakuma
- Monitoring of new arrivals trend
- Development of Kalobeyei settlement
- Monitoring of malaria & watery diarrhea
- Maintenance of roads and water network

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KAKUMA OPERATIONAL UPDATE

01 – 31 JULY 2016

HIGHLIGHTS

- As at 31 July 2016, Kakuma had received 48,868* refugees from South Sudan since the start of the influx in December 2013. The South Sudanese account for 54% of the overall camp population consisting of 152,253* registered refugees and asylum seekers.
- Since the break-out of violence on 7 July 2016, UNHCR SO Kakuma has received and registered 409 refugees as of 31 July, bringing the total number of registered new South Sudanese arrivals in July to 524. However, as of 31 July, an additional 596 were pending registration due to an electrical problem which prevented their registration in July. This brings the total number of new arrivals from South Sudan for the month, including both registered and unregistered, to 1,120 individuals.
- In July, UNHCR organized two Voluntary Repatriation (VolRep) return flights of 64 Somalis returning to Somalia from Kakuma. The first flight was on 19 July which facilitated the return of 30 individuals to Mogadishu, and the second was on 21 July with 34 individuals returning to Baidoa. Thus far, 92 refugees have returned to Somalia by air through the VolRep programme from Kakuma. To date, some 300 Somalis have expressed interest in returning this year. There are twelve areas in Southern central Somalia that are deemed safe for return as well as districts in Somalia.



Nurto waves at the Kakuma airstrip as she boards the voluntary return flight to Baidoa Somali. She was among the 34 individuals repatriated on 21 July. UNHCR/C. Opile

- On 4 July, the Somali Ambassador to Kenya visited Kakuma accompanied by UNHCR Deputy Representative, Wella Kouyou. The Ambassador met with Somali refugee leaders and visited Mogadishu Secondary School.
- The American National Broadcasting Company (NBC) crew visited Kakuma on the 11th and 12th of July for follow-up and filming of five refugees selected for 2016 Rio Olympics. UNHCR in collaboration with Film Aid International will screen the RIO Olympics in the camp for the refugees and asylum-seekers from 5-25 August 2016.

* In June, UNHCR Kakuma inactivated individuals who have not collected food rations or accessed other protection assistance since January 2016. As a result, the population figures decreased by 35,295 at the end of June. The current population figures reflect this decrease. The UNHCR will carry out a verification exercise in the near future to confirm the population of the camp and will report the updated figures. .

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

- UNHCR regularly monitors the Nadapal border with South Sudan. Following the break-out of violence on 07 July 2016, UNHCR has increased its border monitoring missions to twice weekly to ensure that asylum seekers have unhindered access to asylum and are transported to Kakuma Reception Center in a timely manner. In the event of the arrival of emergency medical cases, they are transferred to African Inland Church (AIC) Mission or Lopiding Hospital in Lokichogio, or to hospital or IRC clinic upon arrival in Kakuma.
- In July, eight border monitoring visits were undertaken to Nadapal. The new arrivals are mainly women and children and cite insecurity, including armed clashes, as well as drought and economic instability due to the continued tension in the country, as their main reasons for flight. A number of the new arrivals indicated that they travelled in convoys from Torit through Kapoeta to Nadapal out of fear of blockades and bandits.
- In addition to the South Sudanese, UNHCR received and registered 131 asylum-seekers from other nationalities.

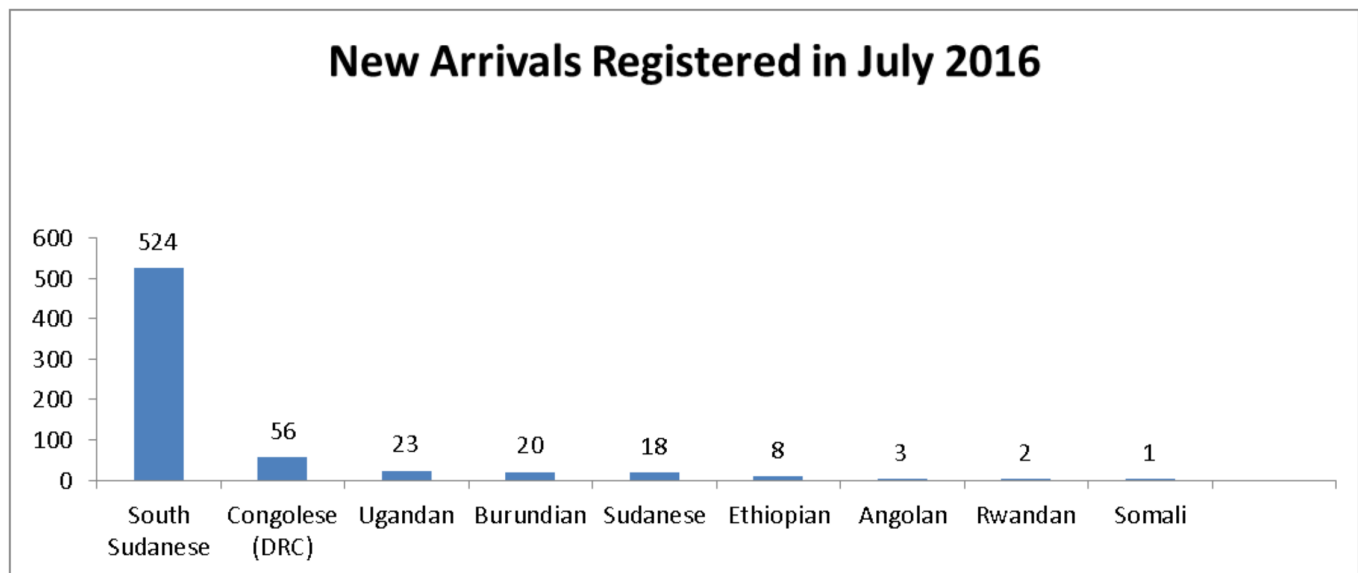


Fig 1: Trend of weekly new arrivals

Achievements

Protection

Refugee Status Determination

- In July, the RSD unit rolled out a new streamlined approach to scheduling RSD interviews aimed to further reduce the RSD backlog and allow for the timely processing of RSD cases.
- On 28 July, UNHCR conducted a full day training on the use of Country of Origin Information (COI) in assessing RSD cases for both UNHCR and RAS staff.
- As of 31 July, UNHCR and Government of Kenya Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) staff have recommended recognition for 1,030 cases of 2,981 individuals thus far in 2016.

Child Protection

- As of 31 July 2016 there were 1,025 (817 male and 208 female) South Sudanese Unaccompanied Minors (UAMs) who have been registered since December 2013, bringing the cumulative number of registered UAMs in Kakuma to 2,266. During the reporting period, 172 new Unaccompanied and Separated Children (UASCs) (35 UAMs and 137 SC) from South Sudan were received at the reception Center. 117 children and 37 caregivers were assisted with NFIs such as exercise books, clothes, school uniforms and body lotion.
- There were 6,326 (4,036 male and 2,290 female) South Sudanese SC who have been registered since December 2013 bringing the cumulative number of registered SCs in Kakuma to 11,623.

- 19 cases (13 male, 6 female) were assessed by the Best Interest Determinations (BIDs) team. In addition, 242 (144 male and 98 female) Best Interest Assessments (BIAs) were conducted for UASCs.
- 670 home visits were made to 6,261 children (3,477 male 2,784 female) in the community. These visits were made to children in child-headed households, foster families, those with care givers and biological children, and children with other protection concerns.
- 586 Child-to-child activities were also conducted to 19,257 children (10,967 male, 8,290 female). The activities took place in various child friendly spaces in the camp. Child therapy sessions were conducted for 1,960 children (842 male and 1,018 female)

Protection Delivery

- 428 birth certificates were distributed through the field post system. In addition to distribution, the Lodwar Civil Registrar began a 2-week visit on 25 July to issue approximately 1,500 birth certificates to refugee children in Kakuma camp.
- 383 individual counseling sessions were conducted. Persons of Concern raised questions or concerns in relation to their security, child protection, assistance for persons with specific needs (PSN) and survivors of gender-based violence (SGBV), referrals to RSD and resettlement, as well as for material assistance among other protection concerns.

SGBV

- 40 SGBV cases were reported in July; eight were related to sexual violence, 19 were cases of psychological violence, nine were physical assault cases, and there was one case of a forced marriage.
- International Rescue Committee (IRC) conducted awareness campaigns on gender-based violence around the camp and reached 3,898 individuals (2,297 females, 1,138 males, and 463 children). IRC shared information on reporting to the hospital within 72 hours in the case of rape as well as the referral pathway for assistance. This is part of the ongoing open dialogue sessions and door-to-door campaigns conducted in the camp.

Education

- The Instant School (INS) UNHCR Programme Manager deliberated on INS Expansion Implementation Plan for the 4 new INS centers in Kakuma Refugee Camp with 3 implementing partners; LWF, WTK and JRS University Education Programme (JCHEM)
- During the reporting period, INS kit usage was utilized by a total of 3,141 students (275 females) in the two INS Hubs.
- 837 pupils (314 female) are enrolled at Kalobeyei settlement which has 14 temporary classrooms: 524 are enrolled in primary school while 313 are enrolled in pre-schools.

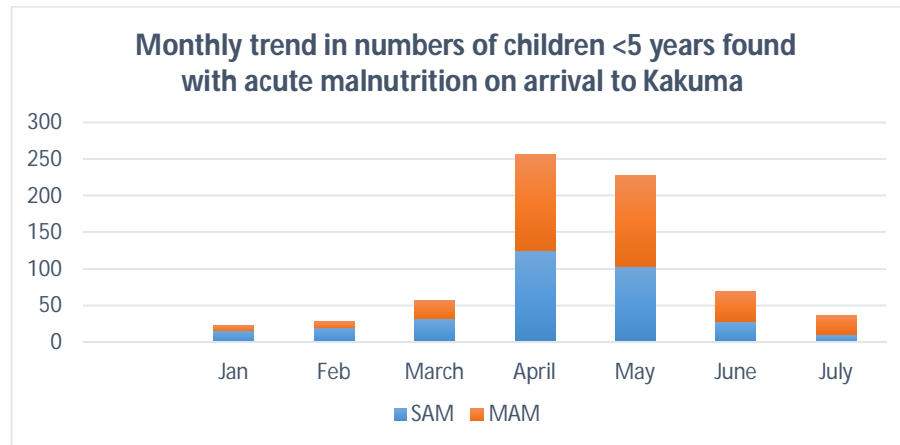


Some of the pupils in class at Kalobeyei settlement that has an enrolment of 524 pupils in primary schools and 313 in pre-school. Permanent school structures are currently under construction UNHCR/ C. Opile

Food Security and Nutrition

Achievements and Impact

- 184 children aged 6-59 months were screened by weight for height and MUAC at the reception center on arrival in Kakuma, out of which 11 child was found with severe acute malnutrition and 26 had moderate acute malnutrition. All identified cases of acute malnutrition were enrolled to respective rehabilitation programs.
- There is a reduction in identified SAM and MAM cases among the new arrivals with a notable reduction from the previous month of June which reported 29 SAM cases and 41MAM cases among under-fives.
- Program cure rates for the month of July remained above set sphere standards 77.4% MAM and 88.4% SAM.



Identified needs and Remaining Gaps

- There is need for interventions to reverse the malnutrition through recruitment of additional staff for the nutrition programme to serve both the reception centre and camps. UNHCR is working with partners to hire Lotuko interpreters to assist with nutrition messaging and increase screening and response at both the Nadapal border and at the Kakuma Reception Center.

Health

Achievements and Impact

- In the month of July, UNHCR continued to support operations at the Nadapal Transit Center, ensuring the availability and provisions of vaccine antigens (yellow fever, measles, and polio) to the new arrivals from South Sudan in-line with the directive of the Ministry of Health issued in March 2016.
- The leading causes of morbidity during the month was malaria with 3,861 cases, respiratory tract infection with 20,198 cases, and 403 cases of water diarrhea. Current consultations per clinician stands at 99 consultations per clinician.
- UNHCR in collaboration with AIC ministries and IRC facilitated an ophthalmology, dental and orthopedic camp from 25th to 29th July. During the outreach camp a total of 15 orthopedic surgeries, 94 dental reviews and 55 ophthalmic surgeries were carried out.
- UNHCR has supported IRC with extra medical staffing to ensure proper response to the current influx of asylum seekers. To offer 24 hour coverage at the two camp hospital increasing access to quality curative care services.
- There is active surveillance for any potential outbreak of communicable diseases due to the current rains and increase in the camp population.



Surgeon examining a child with club feet during the medical camp. AIC-IRC/-Beth.



Water and Sanitation

Achievements and Impact

- Five boreholes have been solarized and are running on a hybrid system (Diesel & Solar). Analysis is ongoing to determine the fuel savings that will accrue out of the solarisation project. Based on the analysis, fuel allocation will be revised accordingly.
- In Kalobeyei, four boreholes were drilled by Team & Team International in close collaboration with UNHCR. Three out of the four were successful with a capacity to provide water portable to 30,000 – 50,000 beneficiaries. Water quality results show that the water is suitable for water consumption.
- Average per capita is 21 litres per person per day. The increase in per capita from 18.5 is attributed to minimizing distribution and transmission losses accruing from repairs on the water pipeline.
- The survey of the pipeline from Tarach to Kalobeyei has been completed and design and procurement of the pipeline is ongoing.
- The operation received Indoor Residual Spraying Chemicals. UNHCR is working closely with CDC-Kemri. Training on use of the same will take place in September 2016.



Shelter & NFIs

Achievements and Impact

- In order to quickly respond and provide humanitarian relief assistance to new arrivals from South Sudan, and in an effort to decongest the camp and reception center, UNHCR has relocated a number of refugees to Kalobeyei settlement during the month of July 2016. At the end of July, the total number of refugees settled in the Kalobeyei settlement is 3,191.
- Since January 2016 to date, a total of 135 shelters have been constructed for the old population in Kakuma refugee camps and 1,536 for new arrivals (632 in Kalobeyei and 904 in Kakuma 4 & 3), thus bringing the cumulative number of shelters constructed to 1,671.
- A total of 302 shelters were constructed at Kalobeyei settlement by NCKK for new arrivals thus increasing the number of shelters constructed at Kalobeyei since June to 632.
- A general distribution of NFIs was carried out by UNHCR and LWF. The purpose was to replace the worn-out NFIs which usually have a shelf-life of 2 years. About 88% of the targeted population of 12,868 refugees received 11,945 blankets, 11,945 mats, 4,259 kitchen sets and 5,668 mosquito nets. In addition, soap was distributed to refugees in Kakuma camp with each individual receiving 250 grams of soap.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- There was a delay in the distribution of soap to the general population in Kalobeyei settlement as soap distribution takes place alongside food distribution. Currently, refugees at Kalobeyei settlement receive cash voucher only. However, UNHCR is working on identifying a partner that will distribute soap to the refugees in Kalobeyei on monthly basis.



Camp Coordination & Camp Management

Achievements and Impact

- Due to the influx of refugees from South Sudan, UNHCR has engaged partners for construction of temporary structures in Kalobeyei that include; temporary schools, temporary clinic, T-shelters, community police housing among others.
- National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCKK) has constructed approximately 700 T-shelters; a clinic block comprised of 5 rooms, a nutrition block, a store and a waiting shed in Kalobeyei settlement.
- Kenya Red-Cross has pitched ten tents to supplement the temporary structures being constructed by NCKK.
- NCKK has pitched three out of five tents that are currently being utilized by police as accommodation as well as a temporary school comprised of 14 primary school classrooms, 4 pre-primary school classes, 2 staffrooms and 2 kitchens.
- UNHCR has also put up a temporary field post for individual case management at Kalobeyei settlement.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

Achievements and Impact

- The Community Services Unit conducted a Community Based Protection training from 21-22 July 2016 to staff from UNHCR, the Government of Kenya, RAS, and partner agencies. Those present represented specialists in different fields such as Community Mobilization, SGBV, Child Protection, Youth Empowerment, Peace Building and Education. The aim of the training was to create a common understanding among partners in supporting community based structures in service delivery to the refugees.
- UNHCR SO Kakuma, with support from Nairobi Branch Office, held a two day consultative workshop from 27-28 July, with 26 implementing and operating partners, to develop the Kakuma Livelihoods Strategy for the next three years. The final document will provide strategic direction for the operation and its partners.
- Through the support of UNHCR, IRC has trained a total of 411 women on skills building and economic empowerment activities such as tailoring, bead making, embroidery, and farming, weaving and bread baking. The first graduation ceremony for the women is scheduled for August 2016.
- Through the support of UNHCR, AHHI supported 12 individual refugee entrepreneurs and 7 group refugee entrepreneurs (comprised of 35 individuals) to access revolving loans to finance their business plans.

Durable Solutions

Achievements and Impact

- A total of 455 individuals were interviewed for resettlement processing and 216 individuals were submitted for resettlement consideration to resettlement countries, including USA, Norway, Australia and Sweden in July. As of 31 July, Kakuma has submitted 583 cases of 1,504 individuals for resettlement.
- During the reporting period, resettlement staff counselled refugees at the field post 1 and 4 on every Friday and counselled a total of 254 individuals. To effectively manage refugee's expectations and queries the resettlement unit introduced a comments/letters box at both the field post offices. Refugees are able to drop queries, suggestions and submit requests for counselling appointments.
- Two Voluntary Repatriation flights were organized in Kakuma in July 2016: one to Mogadishu with 30 individuals and another to Baidoa with 34 individuals. The returnees receive a cash grant of US\$ 150 per person while individuals with special needs are given US\$ 180, a process that is facilitated by UNHCR partner, Norwegian Refugee Council. Upon arrival, they are received by UNHCR Somalia and get additional cash assistance and Core Relief Items (CRIs) such as blankets, mosquito nets and water containers. It is expected that some 1,000 Somalis will be repatriated from Kakuma in the year

Working in partnership

- UNHCR continues to work closely with the Government of Kenya, Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) and other operational and implementing partners to ensure support to refugees and asylum seekers. Monthly Inter-Agency meetings continue to be held including monthly meetings with refugee representatives in the camp.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total requested funding for the Kakuma operation amounts to **US\$ 60 million**

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