

KEY FIGURES

168,224

The camp population as at 31st March 2017. The figure is inclusive of Kalobeyei population.

5,020

Total number of South Sudanese new arrivals registered in 2017.

6,719

The total number of new arrivals registered in 2017.

27,285

The population currently hosted at Kalobeyei Settlement.

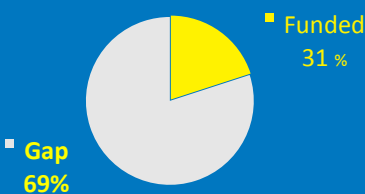
2,387

The total number of registered UAMs of which 1,766 are from South Sudan.

FUNDING

USD 65M

Requested for Kakuma operation.



PRIORITIES

- Movement of new arrivals from Nadapal transit centre to Kakuma
- Monitoring of new arrivals trend
- Development of Kalobeyei settlement
- Maintenance of roads and water network
- Relocation from Dadaab
- Voluntary repatriation (VOLREP)

KENYA

KAKUMA OPERATIONAL UPDATE

16TH – 31ST MARCH 2017

HIGHLIGHTS

- The operation continues to receive refugees from South Sudan at the Kenya – South Sudan border at Nadapal Transit Centre. Majority of the new arrivals are women and children who cite insecurity and famine as the main cause of flight.



Photo: New arrival children at Nadapal Transit Centre. Majority of new arrivals from South Sudan are women and children UNHCR/ S.Otieno

- During the reporting period, a 5-day training was conducted to 77 (22 female) Early Childhood Development (ECD) teachers on the newly introduced Kenya School Assessment Readiness Tool (KSRAT) at Teachers Resource Centre in Kakuma. This training targets all the ECD Teachers and will continue throughout the month of April.
- On 17-18 March 2017, Kakuma operation hosted Ms. Lois Rowe from Morneau Shepell. The main agenda of her visit was to explore ways in which girls can access higher education after completing secondary school. Apart from meeting the girls at Morneau Shepell School, the team also paid a courtesy call to the different schools in the camp.
- On 22nd March 2017, the operation hosted a Mr. Liamine Alessandro, the ICSP Coordinator at EU Nairobi EU-ICSP. Mr. Liamine was on a familiarization visit of the operation.
- The operation continues to receive non-Somali refugees from Dadaab in the ongoing relocation exercise. A total of 4,719 individuals have been relocated since the beginning of the relocation process in 2016 out of which 4,508 have been relocated in 2017 alone.

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

- UNHCR conducts border-monitoring visits to Nadapal two to three times a week to ensure that asylum seekers have unhindered access to asylum procedures. Emergency medical cases are transferred to African Inland Church (AIC) Mission or Lopiding Hospital in Lokichoggio or to Kakuma's Referral Hospital in Kakuma 4.
- As at 31st March 2017, Kakuma had a registered population of 140,939 refugees from 18 countries. Majority of the refugees are from South Sudan (43.2 %) and Somalia (22.4%), followed by Sudan (5.5%) and Democratic Republic of Congo (5.4%) with smaller numbers from other countries.

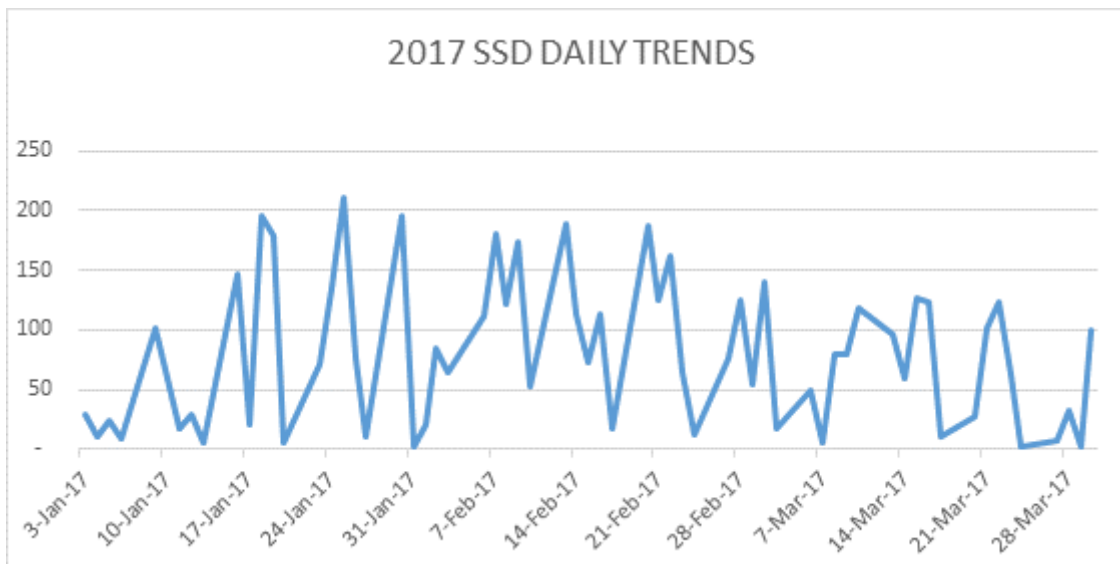


Fig 1: 2017 daily new arrivals

- As at 31st March 2017, the operation had registered a total of 5,020 new arrivals from South Sudan. In March alone, a total of 1,418 individuals were registered in the UNHCR database. The new arrivals are mainly from Eastern Equatoria and Central Equatoria states and cite famine, lack of social amenities and insecurity as the main reasons for fleeing.
- As at 31st March 2017, the population at Kalobeyei settlement stood at 27,285 individuals from 13 countries including 19,210 (11.4%) individuals from South Sudan. Other nationalities include 4,063 (2.4%) from Ethiopia, 2,000 (1.2%) Burundians, 1,081 (0.6%) Congolese among other nationalities.

Achievements

Protection

- Protection Delivery Unit (PDU) conducted border monitoring at Nadapal on 16th, 18th, 23rd, 25th and 28th March 2017. This continuous border monitoring is carried out to ensure safe and uninhibited access to the asylum territory. New arrivals did not report any ill treatment or extortion by the law enforcement officers and border officials.
- A total of 213 cases were attended to at Field Post 1 and 4 on 20th, 22nd, 27th and 29th of March 2017. Commonly raised queries touched on insecurity, vulnerability, resettlement, documentation and general protection concerns.
- During the reporting period, a total of 13 protection interviews and 12 counselling sessions were conducted including those of families that had camped outside the UNHCR gate. 4 Protection Needs Assessments were drafted.
- PDU participated in a dialogue on 29th March 2017 at the LGBTI community in Kakuma 2 together with the Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK) – the UNHCR legal partner. Members of the community were briefed on the role of RCK, the criminal litigation process and about the available legal clinic services. Members of the LGBTI community raised a number of issues including access to employment opportunities, shelter allocation for the new arrivals who are currently at the reception center, and conflict arising from intrusion of their space by members of the host community.
- PDU participated in an interagency Best Interest Determination (BID) coordination meeting on 22nd March 2017 to discuss ways of streamlining the mode of BID panel meetings in Kakuma. One of the recommendations was to draft the

SO-Kakuma BID SOPs. PDU participated in the drafting of the BID SOPs on 28th March 2017. The SOPs were sent out to other units for review pending their official adoption by 4th April 2017.

- On 24th March 2017, PDU visited the Child Protection Unit at Kakuma Police Station. Discussions were held with the police officers and one of the probation officers on reopening the Centre for use.
- PDU received a total of 20 asylum seekers who facilitated their own travel from Kitale to Kakuma during this period.
- Movement for a total of 29 asylum seekers from Congo and Burundi to Kakuma was facilitated by the Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS). PDU noted an increase in the number of asylum seekers arrested and charged for being in the country illegally which is against article 31 of the 1951 convention.

Community Services

Achievements and Impact

Sexual Gender Based Violence (SGBV)

- A total of 7 cases involving 1 rape, 1 defilement, and 2 sexual assault, 2 physical and 1 psychological abuse were reported. All the survivors are receiving psychosocial support. 1 case of defilement and 1 rape case received clinical care and medical support. The cases were referred for further case follow up and management to LWF child protection, RCK, Kenya Police and Peace building.
- Targeted outreach activities were carried out through door to door campaigns, dialogue and speak out sessions reaching out to 909 (506 female). 60 children were also sensitized as part of the activity.
- Teachers' training on prevention of sexual exploitation and abuse among school going children was conducted. The training is part of a training module that started in February 2017 for female primary school teachers in Kakuma 4. The teachers supported under the Women and Girl Empowerment (WGE) program support young girls in schools through mentorship.

Kalobeyei

- A total of 17 GBV cases were reported. The cases included 4 rape, 8 physical assault and 5 emotional abuse involving 15 female adults and 1 female minor. 4 survivors of physical assault and 1 for emotional abuse were referred to Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS) hospital for medical care and family tracing respectively. 3 other cases of physical assault were referred to Kalobeyei Administration Police post for reporting. 2 cases of rape were referred to KRCS for clinical care within 72 hours while the other 2 received the 72hr clinical care from the country of origin. All the cases received initial counselling and were documented in the GBV intake forms and also captured in the GBVIMS.
- 1 Inter-agency SGBV Case Conference was held with partners including Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), and the Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS). 3 cases were presented and action points documented and shared.
- During the reporting period, 2 SGBV sensitization forums targeting the new arrivals at the reception center were conducted. A total of 5 protection cases and 7 SGBV related cases involving Early/Forced marriage and intimate partner violence were identified. One mass awareness campaign was carried out in Village 2 of Kalobeyei settlement.

Persons with specific needs (PSN)

- Out of the total 1,477(842 female) persons with specific needs who received individual counseling sessions, 191(167 female) were discharged after completion of their therapy sessions and improving their psychological wellbeing while 314(194 female) were newly admitted.
 - During the reporting period, total of 89(47 female) new arrivals benefited from psychological debriefing at the reception center.
 - A total of 1,150(668 female) received individual alternative therapy sessions, out of which 246 (125 female) were newly admitted while 247 (136 female) were discharged after completing their therapy sessions
- Kalobeyei
- A 2 day training was conducted for 34 female caregivers in Kalobeyei settlement village 1 and 2. This training resulted in the establishment of 1 support group of care givers in each village. The group leaders for the two groups were elected and the meetings will be held on a monthly basis. The membership of these support groups is expected to increase as further sensitization efforts are currently underway.
 - During the reporting period, a total of 36 (23 female) persons with specific needs benefited from home based care and assessed for support.
 - A total of 13 (11 female) persons with specific needs were provided with non-food items.

- A total of 90 (59 female) new cases of PSN were identified and assessed in both village 1 and 2; majority being the Dadaab relocatees for appropriate intervention.
- 1 female PSN was provided with an assistive device (a pair of elbow crutches) to aid her mobility while 90 Persons Living with Disabilities (PWDs) benefited from various forms of occupational therapy.

Case Management and Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR)

- A total of 645 (400 female) PSN were reached through 764 home visits focusing on community outreach and awareness. During the outreach 42(16 female) new cases of PWDs were identified and referred for specialized interventions.
- A total of 140 (56 female) children living with various forms of disabilities were served in the Day Care Centres of which 3 male were new admissions; 45 (22 female) of them continued with occupational therapy sessions while 14 (10 female) were enrolled in vocational training sessions.
- A total of 124 (46 female) persons leaving with disabilities received various sessions of occupational therapy while 8(5 female) were supported with assistive devices. 40 (22 female) more PWDs had their assistive devices repaired.
- During the reporting period, 18(13 female) single parents at risk; the elderly, PWDs and those with chronic illness were supported with emergency cash assistance. A total of 134(71 female) children with cerebral palsy were provided with nutritional support.

Education

Achievements and Impact

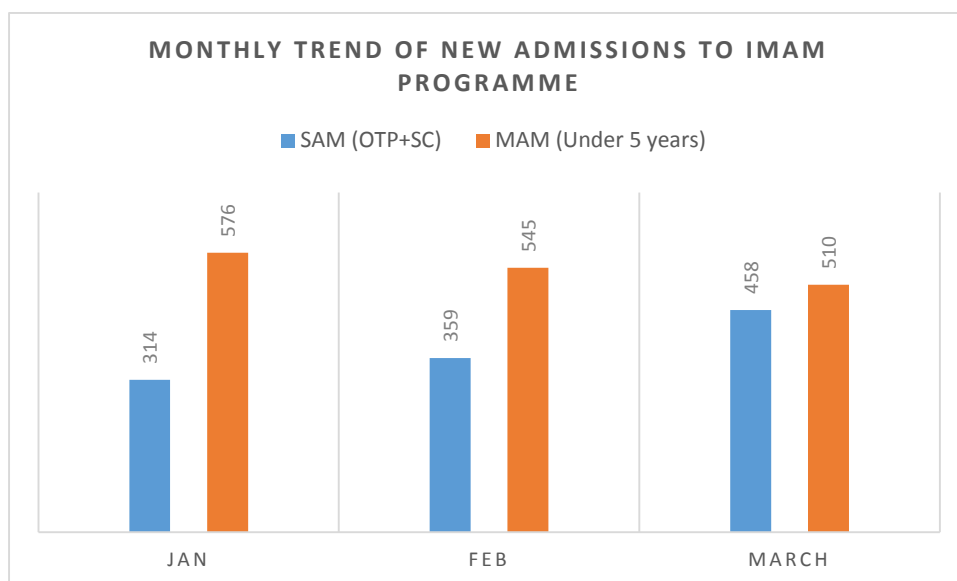
- On 27th March, UNHCR and Windle Trust Kenya (WTK) held a meeting with secondary school students relocated from Dadaab together with Kalobeyei settlement leaders to discuss issues around secondary education. The lack of secondary schools in Kalobeyei has raised concerns from the community. This meeting was convened to brief the students and the leaders on the current situation and efforts underway. The meeting also gave feedback on the 50 scholarships available for the students.
- Two Secondary schools; Green Light and Somali Bantu held meetings with parents to discuss issues around the schools and to urge parents to be actively involved in their children's academic progress as motivation in their studies.
- Secondary School end of term examinations commenced on 24th March 2017 and is scheduled to end on 6th April 2017.
- Napata Secondary Community School recorded an enrolment of 750 students. Admission has been stopped due to inadequate learning spaces in the community run school.
- Primary schools end of term examinations were procured and delivered to LWF stores on 31st March, 2017. The learners are expected to start exams on 3rd April 2017 before proceeding for school holidays.
- The enrolment of Accelerated Learning Programme (ALP) learners in primary, for the 12 Centers was recorded at 5,634 out of which 2,350 are female learners.
- LWF Special Needs Education (SNE) team conducted screening for Standard 8 learners with disabilities at Hope Primary School. A total of 14(4 female) learners were screened and referred to the International Rescue Committee (IRC) for medical intervention while one case was referred to Child protection for counselling.

Health

Achievements and Impact

- The general health situation is stable for both the population in Kakuma and Kalobeyei as indicated by the Crude mortality rates at 0.3% for Kakuma and 0.4% for Kalobeyei which is within the UNHCR standards of < 0.75%
- Under 5 mortality rate in Kakuma stands at 1.5% and 1% for Kalobeyei also within UNHCR standards of 1.5%.
- Currently, diseases that lead in causing morbidity and mortality are Malaria, Lower respiratory tract infection and watery diarrhea in both Kakuma and Kalobeyei.
- Consultations per clinician per day remains high in both Kakuma refugee camp and Kalobeyei settlement. Health facilities in Kakuma reported an average of 91 consultations per clinician per day while health facilities in Kalobeyei reported an average of 132 consultations per clinician per day against the UNHCR acceptable threshold of below 50 consultations per clinician per day.

- The month of March saw an increase in number of severely malnourished children below 5 years enrolled in nutrition in Kakuma and a slight decrease in admission of moderately malnourished children. In Kalobeyei settlement the numbers of new admissions to nutrition rehabilitation programs remain the same with insignificant changes observed in March.



Shelter & Kalobeyei Settlement

Achievements and Impact

- Development of Kalobeyei settlement is ongoing with various permanent facilities being constructed.
- A total of 653 shelters were constructed in Kalobeyei settlement. The new shelters were allocated to relocates from Dadaab refugee camp and South Sudanese new arrivals.
- As at 31st March 2017, a total of 3,316 T-shelters have been constructed in Kalobeyei to cater for the increasing number of new arrivals and non-Somali relocates from Dadaab.

Durable Solutions

Resettlement

- A total of 211 resettlement cases were scheduled to be interviewed in March, 2017. 197 of these cases were first instance interviews, 9 cases scheduled for complementary interview, 2 reopening interviews, 1 appeal interview and 1 was a case that had been rescheduled before.
- Out of the scheduled interviews, 175 cases showed up for interviews, 13 cases were re-scheduled and given appointment slips indicating the interview dates.
- Pre-screening of 100 cases was done every Friday in March. This was done to verify the availability of applicants in the camp. Applicants who showed up were given interview dates and updated in the schedule.
- Counselling at Field post was done on 3, 17 and 31, March. Applicants pending RSD decisions were counselled and those who had not done RSD interview were given interview dates.
- During the reporting period, a total of 12 cases of 26 individuals departed for resettlement to Canada and Australia.

Voluntary Repatriation (VolRep)

- The Voluntary Repatriation process is ongoing. Cumulatively, a total of 925 individuals have been assisted to return to Somalia since the beginning of Volrep in 2016. There were no flights to Somali during the reporting period, however on 21st March 2017 a total of 38 individuals assisted to return to Kismayo, 22nd March 34 individuals assisted to return to Kismayo, and 23rd March 2017 – 40 individuals were assisted to return to Mogadishu.

Energy and Environment

- UNHCR continues to provide refugees with firewood and fuel efficient stoves.
- During the reporting period, a total 812 energy efficient cooking stoves were fabricated in the Stove Production Unit.
- A total of 953 energy efficient stoves were distributed to the new arrivals and to the Daadab relocatees in Kalobeyei settlement.
- A total of 1660.41 Metric tons of firewood have so far been distributed to beneficiaries through the organized general firewood distributions in Kakuma and Kalobeyei, out of which, 100.37 Metric tons of firewood splits were distributed to the vulnerable groups and 118.19 Metric distributed to Schools.
- Activities aimed to mitigate land degradation in and around the refugee hosting areas are ongoing. A total of 9,400 tree seedlings were produced and 9,630 tree seedlings were distributed to the refugees and host community members.

Working in partnership

- UNHCR continues to work closely with the Government, RAS and other partners to ensure support to refugees and asylum seekers. Monthly Inter-Agency meetings chaired by UNHCR and RAS 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\$ 65 million**

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