

KEY FIGURES

169,203

The camp population as at 12th April 2017. The figure is inclusive of Kalobeyei population.

5,407

Total number of South Sudanese new arrivals registered in 2017.

7,241

The total number of new arrivals registered in 2017.

28,127

The population currently hosted at Kalobeyei Settlement.

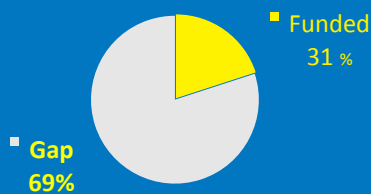
2,416

The total number of registered UAMs of which 1,784 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

1ST – 15TH APRIL 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.
- During the reporting period, the operation distributed over 2,000 solar lanterns to Secondary School pupils in Kakuma refugee camp, mainly targeting form four boys and girls, and form 1 – 3 girls. The solar lanterns, with an added phone charging feature, will enable the candidates study better at night hence improve overall performance in education. Distribution will continue in the next coming months.



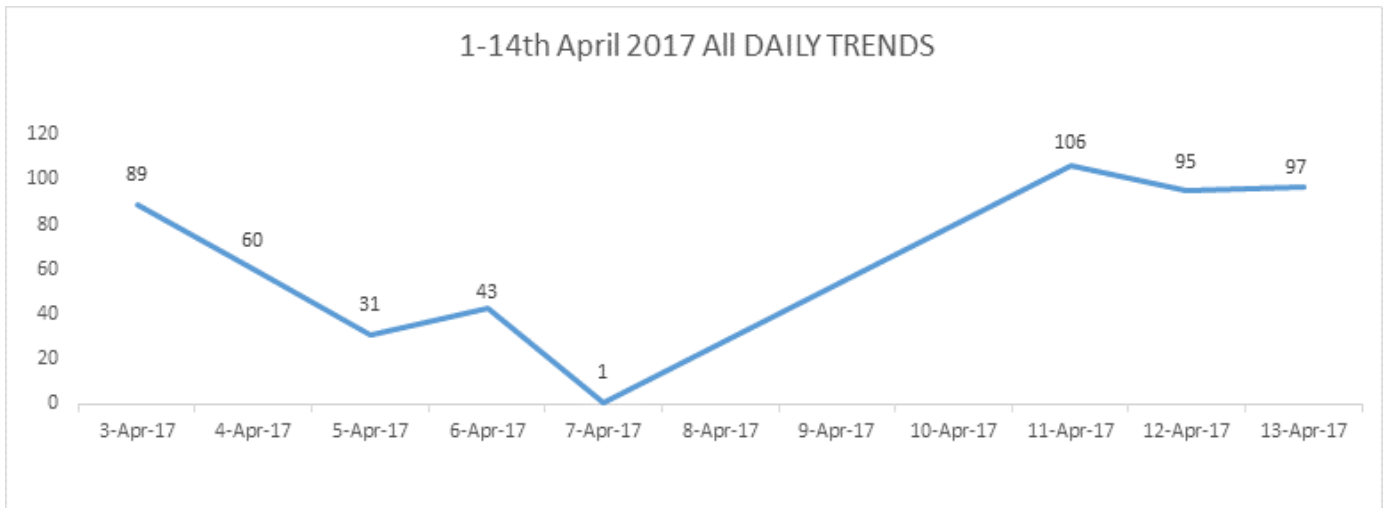
Photo: UNHCR Staff distributes solar lanterns to form one girls at Greenlight Secondary School in Kakuma refugee camp. UNHCR/ S.Otieno

- On 11th April 2017, the operation hosted a familiarization mission from the National Multi-Agency Refugee Repatriation Team (NMARRT) and Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS). The mission, led by NMARRT Chair and accompanied by UNHCR Country Representative and Head of RAS, visited Kakuma refugee camp and Kalobeyei settlement.
- The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) has resumed full ration distribution in Kakuma refugee camp. The UN agency was in December 2016 forced to make new cuts by 50 percent in food rations for refugees in Kenya amid a severe funding shortage. However, full ration distribution might only last a few months if more funds are not available.
- On 3rd to 13th April 2017, the operation conducted a shelter verification exercise in Kakuma refugee camp. The aim of the exercise was to establish the number of unoccupied shelters and plots of land which could accommodate more refugees.
- On 8th April 2017, the Head of Sub-Office Kakuma presided over an award ceremony for Kakuma Premiere League champions at the Teachers Resource centre in Kakuma 1. A total of 12 teams from different nationalities residing in Kakuma took part in the 1 year competition. The winning teams received sports equipment and cash awards. UNHCR uses sports to advocate for the youth.

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 14th April 2017, the operation had registered a total of 7,241 new arrivals out of which 5,407 individuals are from South Sudan. New arrivals from South Sudan, mainly originating from Eastern and Central Equatoria states, cited famine, lack of social amenities and insecurity as the main reasons for flight.
- Between 1st and 13th April, the operation had registered 522 new arrivals including 387 individuals from South Sudan. Other nationalities include; 79 individuals from Burundi, 12 from Uganda and 13 from Sudan among others.
- As at 14th April, the overall camp population stood at 169,203 registered refugees out of which 90,406 individuals are from South Sudan. The population of refugees at Kalobeyei Settlement stood at 28,127 individuals. This represents 62% of the settlement's capacity.

Achievements

Protection

Protection Delivery Unit (PDU)

- PDU conducted an emergency flight corridor monitoring mission in Kitale from 4th to 6th April 2017. The objective of the mission was to assist and facilitate 29 asylum seekers who were arrested and charged with being unlawfully present in Kenya at Kitale Magistrate court. However, the Magistrate court at Kitale discharged the asylum seekers and ordered that the asylum seekers be facilitated to Kakuma refugee camp by the Refugee Affairs Secretariat. Further during the reporting period it was reported that 6 asylum seekers were *refouled* at Busia border by immigration officers manning the border.
- A total of 74 asylum seekers were facilitated from the Kitale flight corridor to Kakuma Refugee Camp by the Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) and received by UNHCR Kakuma.
- PDU conducted border monitoring at Nadapal on 9th and 11th April 2017. The missions are carried out with a view of ensuring 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. New arrivals, mainly originated from Eastern and Central Equatoria state, cite famine, lack of social amenities and insecurity as the main reasons for flight.
- On 11th and 12th April 2017, Protection Unit facilitated a training on *protection of forced migrants* for government officials following an invitation by International Rescue Committee's (IRC) Protection Department at Lodwar. A total of 30 individuals attended the training including officials from National Government - Administration and Security officials from Turkana County.

Child Protection and youth

- On 4th April 2017, a total of 17 Best Interest Determination (BID) were discussed by BID panel together with representatives from Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK), Jesuits Refugee Service (JRS), and Lutheran World Federation (LWF).
- As at 14th April 2017, the operation had registered a total of 2,416 (1,784 from South Sudan) Unaccompanied Minors (UAM) and a total of 11,115 (8,699 from South Sudan) separated children.
- During the reporting period, play therapy sessions were also administered to 797 (356 girls). The activities helped to improve psychosocial well-being of children as exhibited in their ability to positively cope with challenges such as trauma, and interpersonal relationships.
- A total of 584 home visits were between 1st and 14th April reaching 6,395 (3,461 boys and 2,934 girls) children in child headed households, foster families, those living with care givers and other vulnerable children to ascertain their wellbeing and monitor progress.
- 2 workshop meetings with the Child Protection Working Group (CPWG) members were held to review inter-agency Child Protection SOPs and Kakuma Child and Youth Protection strategy. This resulted in finalising all the inter-agency Child Protection SOPs, while Kakuma Child and youth Protection strategy continues to be revised.
- A total of 335 League and friendly matches involving 308 male and 27 female teams were played. The matches involved teams from both open age and under age categories from all the zones in Kakuma refugee camp and the immediate host community. Apart from positively directing the youth's free time, the matches also provided a platform for the propagation of HIV/AIDS information, promotion of peaceful coexistence and development of the youth's talent.



Photo: Happy new arrival South Sudanese children pose for a photo at Nadapal Transit Centre. UNHCR/S.Otieno

Community Services

Achievements and Impact

Sexual Gender Based Violence (SGBV)

- Prevention and response activities were ongoing throughout the reporting period in Kakuma and Kalobeyei settlement. A total of 21 (6 South Sudanese) SGBV cases were reported. Comprehensive medical and psychosocial support was offered to survivors. Referrals were conducted for appropriate comprehensive services including legal and material support.
- SGBV case management panel was held during the reporting period. Cases on domestic violence were seen to be on the increase and repeated violence of some cases that had undergone counselling. The reduction in food ration cuts was cited as the most common cause of the increase in violence and survival sex. UNHCR continues to monitor cases of violence and survival sex after WFP resumed the distribution of full food ration in Kakuma on 1 April 2017.
- A special coordination meeting was held with UNFPA representatives on mission to Kakuma operation. The working group was able to underscore the support from UNFPA in SGBV programming, discussions on gaps and opportunities for further support. UNFPA shared their plans to extend their support to the new settlement camp through Kenya Red Cross on reproductive health and SGBV programming through Danish Refugee Council (DRC).
- The launch of Sexual Assault Awareness Month was done in Kakuma refugee camp. Sexual Assault is one of the most frequent form of violence and the least reported worldwide. The communities continue to be engaged on this type of violence and the referral mechanism for reporting and seeking services.

- Other community engagement activities around SGBV prevention and response included; the launch of EMPA in Kakuma refugee camp, training of 25 vulnerable women on socio-economic empowerment, a gender forum with pupils from Kalobeyei primary school, training of female teachers on identification and referral of SGBV cases and recruitment of 32 girls under the program.

Education

Achievements and Impact

- Schools in pre-primary, primary and secondary school levels went on recess from 7th April 2017 and will be re-opening for the second school term of the year on 2nd May 2017.
- Napata Community Secondary School extends the school first term and will be closing on 20th April. The extension will enable learners to catch up with the syllabus as the school begun operating late in first term due to negotiations between UNHCR, partners and the community. Currently, the school's enrolment stands at 750 students.
- Kalobeyei settlement school has an enrolment of 9,763(4,188 F) pupils with 7,478(3,008F) in primary and 2,285(1,180F) in preprimary.
- The construction of a temporary school of 16 classes in cluster 2 of Kalobeyei settlement has been completed and is expected to be in operation from June 2017. The school was constructed by the National Council of Churches of Kenya with funding from UNHCR.
- A total of 50 secondary students in Kalobeyei were identified for scholarship. These students, all of whom were relocated from Dadaab, are set to resume studies in May in schools within Turkana west Sub-county. During the selection process, priority was given to students in form 4 and form 3, and girls at all levels.
- A two week training of Early Childhood Development (ECD) teachers on Kenya School Readiness Guide Tool (KSRAT) was completed on 7th April, 2017. The training was attended by 49(16 F) ECD teachers.
- Diploma course in Primary Teacher Education(PTE) offered by Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST) commenced on 10th April, 2017 and will run up to December, 2017. A total of 140(39F) Primary teachers are enrolled in the training.
- A total of 4,735 pupils at Hope Primary School will benefit from a newly installed library by Knowledge Empowering Youth (KEY), a Canadian registered charity and the first turnkey public school library program in Kenya. Most of the pupils at Hope Primary are refugees from South Sudan.

Health

Achievements and Impact

- During the reporting period, a significant decrease in incidences of watery diarrhea in both Kakuma and Kalobeyei was observed. A slight rise in malaria cases was also noted in both sites after a heavy down pour was experienced in the first week of April 2017.

Shelter & Kalobeyei Settlement

Achievements and Impact

- Between 1st and 14th April 2017, UNHCR through its implementing partner the National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK) constructed a total of 555 temporary shelters at Kalobeyei settlement for the new arrivals and non-Somali relocates from Dadaab Refugee Camp. Cumulatively, a total of 3,115 Temporary shelters have been constructed since the beginning of the year.

Durable Solutions

Achievements and Impact

Voluntary Repatriation (VolRep)

- The Voluntary Repatriation process is ongoing. Cumulatively, a total of 965 individuals have been assisted to return to Somalia since the beginning of Volrep in 2016 out of which 413 were assisted to return in 2017. There was one flight of 40 individuals to Mogadishu in Somalia on 12th April 2017.

Livelihoods

- During the reporting period, a total of 1,317.5kg of vegetables were harvested at the 3 acre agricultural plot in Kakuma refugee camp earning farmers a gross income of KSh 181,525.00. A further 103kg of vegetables were consumed by the farmers at household level. An additional 6 acres (2 acre UNHCR) piece of land is being prepared for expansion in Kakuma 2.
- During the reporting period, UNHCR, Action Africa Help – International (AAH-I), World Food Programme, Danish Refugee Council, the County and National Government (Chief, RAS and Ward admin) had a meeting to link farmers with Bamba Chakula traders to enhance market access.
- On 3rd and 4th April AAHI conducted a training of trainers on group formation and cooperative development to 33 (29F) farmers.
- A total of 209 refugee socio- economic profiles in Kakuma were captured and entered into the database. The information will inform the asset based methodology and assist in targeting.
- 174 entrepreneurs received financial literacy skills from 10th -14th April to enable basic financial transactions.
- A total of KSh 211, 170.00 was paid back into the revolving loan scheme, and more beneficiaries are being selected to benefit from the revolving loan scheme.

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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