

Kenya

01 – 30 September 2017

20,796 new arrivals have been registered in Kakuma since January 2017. 15,267 (73.4%) are from South Sudan. Majority are women and children with heightened protection risk.

73,614 Somalis have been assisted to return to Somalia under the voluntary repatriation programme. 32,189 have returned in 2017 alone.

49% (239,545) refugees reside in Dadaab, 38% (184,945) in Kakuma and Kalobeyei Settlement and 13% (64,208) in Nairobi.

POPULATION OF CONCERN

488,698 refugees and asylum-seekers as of 30 September 2017

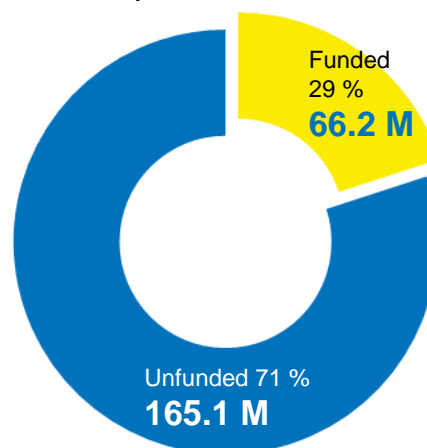
COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

SOMALIA	287,397	58.8%
SOUTH SUDAN	110,377	22.6%
DRC	34,831	7.1%
ETHIOPIA	27,772	5.7%
BURUNDI	12,366	2.5%
SUDAN	9,907	2.0%
UGANDA	2,529	0.5%
RWANDA	1,629	0.3%
ERITREA	1,340	0.3%
OTHERS	550	0.1%

FUNDING (AS OF 2 OCTOBER 2017)

USD 231.3 M

requested for the Kenya situation



UNHCR PRESENCE

Staff:

353 National Staff

63 International Staff

Offices:

1 Branch Office in Nairobi

1 Field Offices in Alinjogur

2 Sub Office in Dadaab and Kakuma



Working with Partners

- The Dadaab refugee operation is coordinated by UNHCR Sub-Office Dadaab, which also serves the three camps in Dadaab Sub County. UNHCR Field Office Alinjugur is part of the larger Dadaab operation and serves Hagadera in Fafi Sub County. Both UNHCR offices cooperate closely with NGOs and other international organizations, among them WFP, UNICEF and IOM. The main government counterpart is the Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS).
- UNHCR continues to work closely with the Government of Kenya, the Turkana County Government through the Office of the Deputy County Commissioner (DCC), the Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) and 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.
- UNHCR continued to hold a joint protection desk with Kenya Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) at the refugee processing center, Shauri Moyo, Nairobi.

Main Activities

Protection

- The Acting Refugee Affairs Commissioner, Mr. K. Makori confirmed that South Sudanese will continue being granted prima facie status upon registration. A Government of Kenya Proof of Registration document and a movement pass are the only documents to be issued to them. Refugee Identity cards will be processed at camp level. The Acting Commissioner also confirmed that the Exemption panel will be reinstated, but no date was confirmed.
- The Refugee Bill 2016 that was presented to the President for assent was referred back to Parliament for consideration under article 115 of the Constitution.
- 662 new registrations were conducted by the Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) in Nairobi within the unified registration process, the majority originating from Democratic Republic of Congo. South Sudanese new arrivals will continue to be granted prima facie status upon registration.
- UNHCR held an anti-fraud community forum which was attended by over 100 refugees from different communities to pass on Zero-Tolerance to Fraud messages and build on community-based reporting pathways.
- The hotline received a total of 3595 calls out of which 2310 were answered. After office-hour calls increased to 657 and a total of 71 voicemails were left. The most utilised language was Swahili followed by Kinyamulenge. An additional agent was recruited to provide coverage for the Nuer language.

- A total of 13 SIM cards were issued across all Dadaab camps to facilitate the Cash Based Intervention assistance (Bamba Chakula) provided by WFP.
- 1,907 children (806 female) went through play therapy in Kalobeyei Settlement to improve their psychosocial well-being as exhibited in their ability to positively cope with challenges such as trauma, and interpersonal relationship.

Education

- DAFI scholarship added an extra 50 slots bringing the number of scholarships slots for the year to 110.
- Windle Trust Kenya (WTK) in partnership with World University Service of Canada (WUSC) and UNHCR, and funded by the United Kingdom Department for International Development (DFID) under the Girls Education Challenge (GEC) launched Kenya Equity in Education Project (KEEP) 2 programme. The project is tailored to provide targeted support to female learners including awarding secondary school scholarships to high performing girls.
- During the period under review, the host community demonstrations in Hagadera continued to paralyse all education programmes in pre-primary, primary and secondary schools. Schools remained closed. The worst impacted learners are the Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE) and Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) candidates who are preparing for their final national exams due commence on 1st November 2017. Concerns were also raised particularly as regards the safety of national teachers. It was agreed that there is need to reinforce security for the teachers and develop a contingency plan in the event that ongoing negotiations with the host community do not yield positive results.
- A trustee from HELP Dadaab, a charitable organisation based in the UK and Director of Studies from Cambridge International College were in Dadaab from 20th September to: give orientation to a new cohort of students; administer examinations to cohort 2 of students and; engage different stakeholders in Education. Since rolling out the education programme, the organisation has been able to offer sponsorship to 117 youth.
- More than 70 percent of the teachers have so far benefited from the Teachers for Teachers project, mentoring project by Teachers College, Columbia University, aims at improving quality of teaching through training and mentoring of refugee teachers.
- 18 Special Needs Education (SNE) scholarship students from Kakuma were facilitated to the various schools across the country.
- Inadequate facilities (classrooms, toilets, desks, WASH and play facilities) leading to school congestion and inability to enrol out of school children and insufficient number of teachers including low number of female teachers, limited training opportunities and low remuneration and motivation which affects education quality are some of the gaps in Kakuma and Kalobeyei.

Health

- Upsurge in malaria cases was reported in Kakuma Camp and Kalobeyei Settlement.
- 3 new Cholera cases were reported out of which 2 cases were recorded in Kakuma while 1 was reported in Kalobeyei settlement.
- The rate of consultation per clinician per day remains high as compared to the acceptable UNHCR standard of < 50 Consultations per Clinician per day with 107 and 126 consultations per clinician per day for Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement respectively.
- An upsurge of watery diarrhoea is observed in Kakuma with 1,124 incidences reported.

Food Security and Nutrition

- A total of 845 children were screened out of which 13 were found with severe acute malnutrition and 24 with Moderate acute malnutrition.
- Induction sessions on maternal infant and young child nutrition were conducted in Kalobeyei Settlement. A total of 39 mentor mothers from different nationalities were trained.

Water and Sanitation

- Per capita water consumption stood at 23.31 litres of water per person per day in Kakuma refugee camp and 18.19 litres of water per person per day in Kalobeyei settlement.
- A total of 381 out of the targeted 400 communal latrines in Kakuma 3 have been constructed.
- The construction of 4 elevated steel tanks in Kalobeyei settlement is complete.

Shelter and NFIs

- Community engagement and mobilization on the construction of 304 Permanent Shelters in Kalobeyei settlement is ongoing.
- A target of 304 Natural Turkana Stone Block shelters will be constructed in Kalobeyei Settlement before the end of 2017. 20 of these houses will be allocated to the host community.
- Approximately 8,000 families live in temporary shelters in Kalobeyei. With the provision of permanent shelters by the end of 2017, the need for adequate shelters will continue to be significant.
- Approximately 2,000 new arrivals have been temporarily provided with family tents in Kakuma camp which need to be replaced with more adequate shelters.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

- Ms. Sapna Shah, a bag designer based in the US came on mission to Kakuma to train refugee women on new designs. UNHCR accompanied her in a visit to two word

carving groups in Nairobi based on which the groups will be making new prototypes of wooden bags.

- The Community Empowerment and Self-Support Initiative (CESSI) in Nairobi are implementing a program that seeks to address the psychosocial needs of the LGBT community by using music, dance and drama which is funded by the Youth Initiative Fund.
- Cross-border Peacebuilding Project training by Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) continue in Dadaab with an average class attendance at 91 %. (DRC) have so far registered 118 Students in the 2 Vocational training centres and Dagahaley tailoring centre. RET International recorded 10 peace messages with Radio Gargar that are being aired by the station every day targeting the community including the POCs from Baidoa. 5 peace messages have been sent to 163 beneficiaries. These messages were developed by the peace ambassadors at the community level.
- 163 prospective Somali returnees were trained during the period under review reaching a total of 465 (238M, 227F) trainees in peace building and conflict resolution and are participating in democratic governance and reconciliation processes. This includes 77 (40F, 37M) youth peace ambassadors trained.
- Artist for Refugees livelihood project training for talented refugees continued during the reporting period in Kakuma, Kalobeyei and Dadaab.
- 81 students in Dadaab continued with android programming training. Selection of the projects to be undertaken for final submission to the Play Store was completed and covered various fields such as video chatting, Ask and Health record tracker, and Chama and Religious Books App, Products Marketing and Education.
- 7 groups in Dadaab were assisted to draw up business plans for grant support.
- 200 households (30 from the host community) have benefited from the harvesting of 251 Kgs of vegetables worth KES 27,925 from the 3 acre farm in Kakuma 2.
- A total of 156 (77 female) farmers were profiled during the reporting period at the Kakuma reception centre out of which 132 were found to have agricultural skills.
- A total of 240 individuals (106 female) were taken through financial literacy training and business management skills at the Kakuma Reception Centre.
- Refugee team is set to represent Turkana County in the ongoing Chapa Dimba na Safaricom football tournament.
- A total of 6 business associations have been formed in Kalobeyei settlement comprising of 187 (84 female) members from the refugee and host community. These include: Boda Boda (motorcycle) riders Association, Boda Boda Owners Association, Retail shop owners association, Service industry business association and Food and restaurant business association, Handicraft women association.

Durable Solutions

Voluntary Repatriation

- 507 Somalis were assisted to return voluntarily to Somalia by flight (469 Kismayu, 38 Mogadishu) from Dadaab. Since the commencement of voluntary repatriation from Kenya to Somalia in 2014, a total of 71,503 Somalis have returned from Dadaab camps, of which 32,189 returned in 2017 alone. The total number of persons repatriated from Kenya to Somalia currently stood at 73,614 at the end of September 2017.
- The Dadaab operation has witnessed a reduction in the number of refugees visiting the Return Help Desks recently. This reduction can be attributed to the temporary suspension of road convoys, which is the preferred mode of transport by many refugees. Currently, there are 17,029 refugees (active in our database) willing to return to Somalia, of whom 11,609 registered in 2017 alone.

Resettlement

- 236 cases consisting of 693 individuals were submitted by Dadaab office. The total departure figures consist of 1172 individuals in 405 cases.
- 18 cases totalling 58 individuals were referred from Nairobi and submitted to Australia, Canada, Iceland, New Zealand and USA for resettlement consideration.
- There were 17 departures from Kakuma to resettlement countries (11 and 6 departures to USA and Canada respectively). Since January, a total 368 departures to resettlement countries consisting of 1,140 individuals have been made.

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