

Democratic Republic of the Congo

1-15 November 2017 (Intermediate Report)

KEY INDICATORS

526,543

Total of refugees in DRC as of 31 October 2017

3.9 Million*

Internally Displaced People in DRC

622,362

Refugees from DRC in neighboring countries as of 31 October 2017

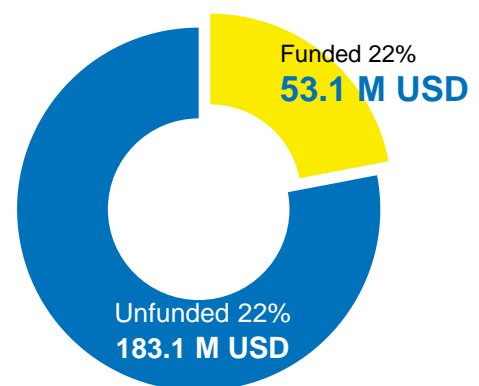
14,366

Rwandan refugees voluntary returned in their home country in 2017

FUNDING (AS OF 13 NOVEMBER 2017)

USD 236.2 M

requested for the DRC (including special situations)



Burundian refugees

- Construction works at Mulongwe site were ongoing. Relocation might start by the end of November. Situation became easier since the decision of lightening security measures on the Baraka-Sebele axis.
- WASH interventions carried by ICRC at the site of Kamanyola where Burundian refugees and asylum seekers are temporarily hosted were finalized. Tensions between refugees and host community has lessened. However, the need for a long-term solution remain urgent.

Central African refugees

- UNHCR and WFP are preparing cash voucher distribution for new arrivals who already registered with biometrics (21,028 individuals), as well as for host families (1,379 household identified). Distribution will allow refugees to satisfy their basic needs with locally-purchased products and it's planned to start on 18th November.
- In Bili and Boyabu camps, clothes donated by Japanese fashion brand UNIQLO were distributed to almost 19,000 people. Distribution is ongoing in Mole camp and for out-of-camp refugees and vulnerable.

South Sudanese refugees

- UNHCR and the National Commission for Refugees (CNR) successfully launched the biometric registration of refugees in Dungu town (Haut-Uélé province), in addition to biometric registration that was ongoing at the Meri and Biringi sites. During the first five days, over 600 individuals were biometrically registered in Dungu, the majority of which were single women head of households with young children who fled from Yambio in South Sudan.
- UNHCR installed 100 pit latrines and showers and started workings to transform three springs into protected water sources at the recently allocated Kaka refugee site in Dungu. With the support of refugees, UNHCR's partner AIRD cleared the land for the construction of 170 emergency and 200 transitional shelters (as initial plan). Some 300 refugees have settled on the grounds of the site at the beginning of October and are in desperate need of basic infrastructure and services while others remain in the precarious border areas waiting to be relocated.

Rwandan refugees

- Repatriation convoys from South Kivu resumed after a halt of around a month due to cholera epidemics. Two convoys (on 9th November and on 14th November) for a total of 683 persons have been conducted in the first half of the month.
- Gathering Points in North Kivu continued to be overcrowded (150% of presence on average against their real capacity). Improvements of WASH facilities were ongoing, albeit needs persist.

Internally Displaced People (IDPs)

- New displacement was reported in North Kivu since 1st November in Beni, Rushturu, Masisi and Lubero territories, totaling over 15,000 displaced persons. Particularly worrying is the situation in and around Beni (clashes between FARDC and Allied Democratic Forces – ADF – armed group from Uganda) that provoked displacement of over 30,000 people since mid-September.
- Despite lull in clashes in South Kivu province, 1,800 newly displaced were reported in Fizi and Shabunda territories. During October, 8,600 newly displaced have been reported (OCHA).
- UNHCR and its partners have conducted activities in the area of protection monitoring and the promotion of peaceful coexistence in Kalemie, Nyunzu, Manono and Moba territories, as well as in some territories of Haut – Katanga.

Working in partnership

- Together with the DRC Government, namely through National Commission for Refugees (CNR), UNHCR ensures international protection and delivery of multi-sectorial assistance to persons of concern. UNHCR closely collaborate with other UN Agencies and other humanitarian actors for a coordinated and effective response. UNHCR works with 14 implementing partners (ACTION AID, ADES, ADSSE, AIDES, AIRD, CIAUD CANADA, COOPI, CNR, INTERSOS, MIDEFEHOPF, NRC, SAVE CONGO, SAVE THE CHILDREN and TSF) and many other operational partners.
- UNHCR leads the Protection Cluster, which coordinate the protection actors in their support of IDPs and other vulnerable. UNHCR co-leads the Protection and Prevention component of the National Strategy on Sexual and Gender-Based Violence in DRC.

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