

# Dadaab, Kenya

01-15 June 2018

The first camp in Dadaab was established in **1991**. There are 3 camps in Dadaab: **Hagadera**, **Dagahaley and Ifo**. Kambioos refugee camp was closed as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 and Ifo 2 camp was closed as of 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018. Since **December 2014**, Somali refugees who decide to voluntarily return to their home country, receive UNHCR support in Kenya and Somalia.

#### VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION FROM DADAAB

76,927

Somali refugees have returned home since December 2014

58%

Percentage of Dadaab population are children

207,622

Total Dadaab population as at 30 April 2018

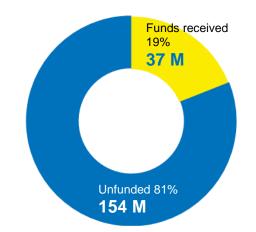
## 74,561

Refugee children are enrolled in school in Dadaab camps

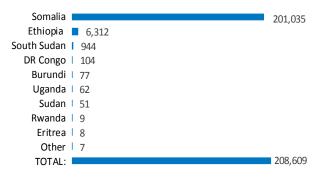


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## POPULATION OF CONCERN AS AT 15TH JUNE COUNTRY OF Origin



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## Voluntary Repatriation

- During the reporting period, movements were organized for a total of 126 Somali refugees to return home. Since the start of the voluntary repatriation process of Somali refugees from Kenya to Somalia in December 2014, 76,927 persons have been supported from Dadaab operation, and 80,335 in total from Kenya. In 2018 alone, 4,215 individuals from Dadaab have been assisted to return, with the majority returning to Kismayu and Mogadishu.
- 40 new individuals at the Integrated Return Help desks across the camps expressed and confirmed their intention to return to Somalia. In total, there are 12,268 persons of concern who have registered for voluntary repatriation, with 2,308 individuals registered their intention to return in 2018.
- Though road convoys remain suspended, road conditions assessment is currently ongoing inside Somalia and feedback provided will inform plans for resumption of the road convoys.

## **Camp Consolidation**

- The refugee population reduced from 463,427 individuals in 2011 to 208,609 refugees, currently. This reduction is a result of both, spontaneous return, facilitated return and relocation of Non-Somali refugees to Kalobeyei. A total 223,901 refugees spontaneously returned while another 80,000 Somali refugees returned home, under voluntary repatriation which began in December 2014. In addition, 4,949 non-Somalis were relocated to Kalobeyei, Kakuma.
- Given the reduction in the number and increase of new emergency displacement situations globally, the level of funding for Dadaab humanitarian operation has significantly reduced. UNHCR has therefore undertaken a camp consolidation plan in order to reduce administrative costs and preserve minimum resources for the provision of basic services and assistance to refugees, asylum seekers and host community.
- Since the launch of the camp consolidation programme in the beginning of 2017, Kambioos camp was closed as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 and Ifo 2 camp was closed as of 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018. UNHCR is engaging in constructive dialog with the County Governments and National Government officials to organize a handover ceremonies as soon as possible in order for them to formally take over the ownership and make good use of the vacated infrastructure.



Ifo 2 camp of Dadaab closed on 31st May 2018. © UNHCR/Assadullah Nasrullah





- The total number of unregistered persons jointly profiled by UNHCR and Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) across the three camps stand at 9,189 individuals. 8,870 individuals are from Somalia while 319 are from other countries. 1,120, of unregistered individuals are returnees mainly from Kismayu, Mogadishu and Baidoa.
- During the reporting period, a total of 54 new born babies were registered and issued with the birth certificates.

#### **Individual Case Management**

A total of 212 were attended to during the period under review. The cases were mainly related to new arrival registration; camp transfers; card mergers and splits; reactivation; insecurity; follow up on the status of resettlement cases; general assistance (food tokens, shelter, CRIs) and requests for assistance with livelihoods opportunities. Counselling was done and referrals made to relevant units and partner agencies for assistance as appropriate.

#### **Child Protection**

- Save the Children, Terre Des Hommes and UNHCR held two Best Interest Determination (BID) panels to discuss a total of 30 cases. The cases discussed had the following profiles: 11 resettlement cases, 12 voluntary repatriation assessments, 5 Care arrangement cases, 1 custody case and 1 family reunification case. All case recommendations were approved with continuous monitoring and follow-up from the respective child protection partners planned.
- Terre des Hommes (TDH) initiated three psychosocial group therapy sessions for 20 out of school adolescent boys, 20 adolescent girls and 20 child mothers identified through case management processes with medium to high risk levels of psychosocial distress. The children were enrolled in structured group therapy sessions will be supported to have reduced or no levels of distress through learning and mastery of life skills that will enhance their coping mechanisms and resilience. These sessions will also benefit parents and caregiver's by facilitating understanding of: the developmental stages and handling of adolescents; children rights and; parental responsibility in supporting vulnerable children.
- Save the Children International (SCI) conducted a child resilience training at the Child Education and Welfare Centers (CEWCs) with a total of 298 Children participating in both Dagahaley and Ifo main Camps. A play therapy session at the CEWCs was also held on 8<sup>th</sup> June.
- Capacity building: On 13th June, SCI conducted peer to peer support session in Ifo and Dagahaley camps for 100 children with the aim of linking the children to education partner agencies. In addition, child rights clubs and Children assemblies training was conducted on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13th June for 92 children in Dagahaley and Ifo camps. The monthly counselling awareness session was also held on 11<sup>th</sup> June at Ifo Camp for 49 (2M, 47F) CEWC management committee.
- The Ifo Camp Inter-Agency case conference was held on 12<sup>th</sup> June where 6 cases of children with protection concerns were discussed and appropriate recommendations made.

#### Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV)

During the reporting period, 12 SGBV cases were attended to across the camps with case profiles including denial of resources, rape, attempted rape, defilement and domestic violence. All survivors



received psychosocial counselling and referrals were made to the police and to the hospitals as appropriate. Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK) will continue to follow up with the police so as to ensure that proper investigations are conducted and witnesses record their statements that will aid in survivors' access to justice.

- Nine home visits were conducted for survivors in Ifo and Dagahaley camps. Individual counselling and psychosocial support was offered in an effort to expedite their recovery and rehabilitation process.
- 24 survivors of SGBV were taken through a group therapy counselling sessions in Ifo and Dagahaley camps on 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> June respectively. The sessions focused on exploring individual strengths and weaknesses as well as healthy ways of dealing with conflict in the home.

#### **Persons with Specific Needs**

On 11<sup>th</sup> June, UNHCR together with refugee leaders distributed food items donated by the Qatari Charity organization to identified 1,000 most vulnerable refugee families from the camps. The food package consisted of: 25kg of rice, 12kg of wheat flour, 10kg of sugar 900gms of powder milk and 3 liter of cooking oil to each household.

#### **Access to Justice**

- During the reporting period, 16 persons of concern were provided with psychosocial support and counselling at the detention centers. Additionally, 7 persons of concern at the main detention center benefited from medical support from the County Referral Hospital following UNHCR's intervention.
- On 8<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> June, the Garissa Liaison Office facilitated return movements for seven persons of concern to Dadaab and Kakuma camps following clearance from the Court process. Since January, 62 persons, have been released from detention and returned to their respective camps.



- Information dissemination on school enrolment post- camp consolidation: Following refugees' relocation from the Ifo2 as a result of camp consolidation, UNHCR Education Unit reached out to parents and organized three enrolment drives in new Dagahaley and Ifo camps to sensitize the community on the need to enrol their children in the nearby schools. Education Unit also held discussions with Lutheran World Federation (LWF) on how to increase school enrolment and it was recommended that a different approach to the road campaigns be taken. It was suggested that focus group discussions be held with section and block leaders as well as parents to understand the underlying issue of non-attendance and take appropriate steps based on the findings.
- A total of 200 desks were distributed to two primary schools in Ifo camp that received bigger number of learners from Ifo 2.



Cholera outbreak is ongoing since the first case was identified on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Since then, a total of 1,184 suspected cases have been line-listed. Total of 11 mortalities registered with Crude Fertility Rate 0.92%. Active surveillance is ongoing and a multi-sectoral disease outbreak response system has been activated including health education at schools and community. UNHCR WASH Partners continued with targeted spraying of households, latrines and distribution of WASH items like Aqua tabs and super chlorination of water at the source activated to FRC 1.5mg/l.





#### COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF RELIANCE

- Monitoring of all 30 students undergoing basic ICT training skills in the 3 ICT centers in the camp was conducted and it was noted that students were attending class regularly attending. Additionally, 20 (3F) youth of the second cohort of 100 youth selected for online freelancing graduated on 8<sup>th</sup> June. Together with pilot group, they are undergoing mentorship programmes which constitute guidance in online job bidding.
- 129 of the 500-targeted youth enrolled in vocational trainings (business and entrepreneurship/ business skills training) are undertaking group formation trainings to prepare them for group management structures, contract management, business plans development and engagement of both local and national authorities to facilitate business activities.
- 46 businesses (out of a targeted 80 businesses) have been identified in Hagadera and Dagahaley camps as businesses in need of support to secure business permits from the Dadaab Sub-County government. The Department of Revenue Management under the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning expressed willingness to work closely with UNHCR and other partners to ensure that refugees acquire legal permits to conduct their businesses within the camps and beyond.



#### During the reporting period, a total of 10 cases comprising of 33 individuals underwent resettlement case composition interviews. Additionally, 12 cases comprising of 40 individuals were interviewed and assessed for possible submission to resettlement countries.

- 4 cases consisting of 12 individuals were referred to Branch Office Nairobi for submission to Canada.
- Since January 2018, a total of 92 cases consisting of 370 individuals have been submitted for resettlement to various resettlement countries.



#### WATER AND SANITATION

During the reporting period, UNHCR supplied on average 33.7 liters of water per day per capita from 27 boreholes to the entire refugee population in the three Dadaab camps. 26 of these boreholes operate on Solar PV- Diesel hybrid system. The water supply schemes convey water to 45 tanks with a total storage capacity of 4,550 m3, distributed through а pipeline network of 233.2 km and relayed to 659 tap stands with about 2,714 taps, scattered around the three camps.



Refugees collect water from one the water distribution points in Dagahaley camp of Dadaab. © UNHCR/Assadullah Nasrullah



### Working in partnership

The Dadaab refugee operations are 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 covers Hagadera camp in Fafi Sub-County. Both UNHCR offices cooperate closely with NGOs and other international organizations including WFP, UNICEF and IOM. The main government counterparts are the Deputy County Commissioner (DCC) Office and Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS).

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