

# Kenya

01 -30 JUNE 2019

**920** new arrivals were registered in June, all in Nairobi.

**84,320** Somalis have been assisted to return to Somalia under the voluntary repatriation programme since 2014. Since the beginning of 2019, **1,395** have been assisted to return to Somalia. In addition, **74** Burundians have been assisted to return home since the beginning of the year.

By end of Jun 2019, there were 210,472 (44%) refugees in Dadaab, 189,743 (40%) and in Kakuma & Kalobeyei Settlement, 73,829 (16%) in urban areas.

#### **POPULATION OF CONCERN**

**474,044** refugees and asylum-seekers as of 30 June 2019.

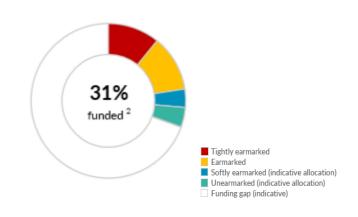
#### COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

SOMALIA	256,683	54.5%
SOUTH SUDAN	118,067	24.4%
DRC	41,899	8.8%
ETHIOPIA	26,967	5.9%
BURUNDI	13,852	2.8%
SUDAN	10,041	2.1%
UGANDA	2,380	0.5%
RWANDA	1,715	0.4%
ERITREA	1,728	0.4%
OTHERS	712	0.2%

#### **FUNDING (AS OF 9 JULY 2019)**

## USD \$170.1 million

UNHCR requirement for the Kenya operation for 2019



#### **UNHCR PRESENCE**

#### Staff:

276 National Staff

67 International Staff

#### Offices:

- 1 Branch Office in Nairobi
- 1 Field Offices in Alinjugur
- 2 Sub Office in Dadaab and Kakuma



Newly appointed UNHCR Kenya Goodwill Ambassador, Mercy Masika, performs at the 2019 World Refugee Day event in Kakuma.



## Working with Partners

- 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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- 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 centre in Shauri Moyo, Nairobi.

## Main Activities

#### **Operational Highlights**

- Mercy Masika, Kenya's gospel musician, was appointed UNHCR Goodwill Ambassador.
- UNHCR supported the application of birth certificates for the Stateless Shona Community and a total of 600 applications were made at the chief's office in Kinoo. This activity comes at a very crucial time when many stateless children were being sent away from school for lack of birth certificates.
- The main WRD 2019 event in Kenya was celebrated in Kakuma. The event was attended by top Government Officials, led by the Chief Administrative Secretary (CAS) from the Ministry of Interior and Coordination of National Government, Patrick Ntutu, and Governor of Turkana County, HE. Josephat Nanok, CEO of Morneau Shepell Foundation Mr. Stephen Liptrap, donors and partners.
- HM Queen Mathilde, honorary President of Unicef Belgium, and HRH Princess Elisabeth visited Kakuma refugee camp and Kalobeyei settlement camp.
- Following the camp consolidation programme in Dadaab, due to reduced numbers of refugees as a result of the VolRep programme to Somalia, Kambioos and Ifo 2 camps were closed in 2017 and 2018 respectively. In June, the physical assets in these camps were officially handed over to the Garissa County Government. The handing over event was attended by UNHCR Representative, Fathiaa Abdalla, Chief Administrative Secretary Ministry of Interior, Hon. Patrick Ole Ntutu, Garissa Deputy Governor Abdi Dagane and Maj. Gen. (RTD) Dr. Gordon O. Kihalangwe, Principal Secretary State Department of Immigration, among others. The handover documents were signed and handed over by UNHCR to the Ministry of Interior and Coordination of National Government and subsequently handed over to the Garissa County Government.
- UNHCR together with the Refugee Affairs Secretariat conducted return/relocation intention survey in Dadaab for Ethiopian refugees where 592 individuals were interviewed. The survey is expected to inform the intentions of non-Somali refugees for possible relocation to Kalobeyei settlement.



#### **Protection**

#### **Protection Delivery**

- 12,887 refugees were actively enrolled in KASI as of 8 July 2019. KASI tool allows refugees access to their own data, schedule appointments with UNHCR protection staff and apply for movement permits.
- Cataloguing of refugees identity cards was done in Kakuma and a pilot project on issuance of the IDs for refugees through KASI commenced in June. A total o9f 6391 Refugee IDS were catalogued in the month of June.
- In June, 95 undocumented persons were jointly profiled by UNHCR and the Refugee Affairs Secretariat in Dadaab. The total number of undocumented persons across the three camps stands at 15,302 individuals. Out of this, 14,795 are from Somalia and 507 are from other countries. Among them, 3,295 individuals came back to the camps after being assisted to voluntarily return to Somalia.
- The National Council on the Administration of Justice, a high level policymaking and oversight body composed of state and non-state actors from the justice sector conducted a two day sensitization workshop for the Garissa Court Users Committee (CUC) members on various aspects on handling children matters in Garissa including child protection, legal aid, diversion, plea bargain and other related topics.

#### Registration

- 9,449 newly arrived refugees have been registered in Kakuma since the beginning of the year. 7,140
   (75.6%) are refugees from South Sudan.
- The Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) registered 920 individuals under the urban programme in June. 37% (338) arrived before 2019, 58% (534) arrived in 2019 and 5% (48) were new-borns. The registration was conducted in Nakuru, Mombasa and Nairobi. The majority of the new arrivals are from South Sudan, Somalia, DRC, Ethiopia, Burundi, Eritrea, Uganda, Rwanda and other nationalities.

#### Education

- Juk Mabior, a South Sudanese refugee student who emerged best in the 2018 Kenya Certificate of Primary Education Turkana West Sub-County, was invited to State House for one week under the prestigious Pupils Reward Scheme (PURES) mentorship programme by Kenya's first lady Ms Margaret Kenyatta.
- Seven school principals from Kakuma participated in the annual Kenya Secondary Schools Heads
   Association meeting in Mombasa where issues on the changes in the education sector in Kenya were
   discussed, including the new Competency Based Curriculum (CBC).
- Interviews for WUSC scholarship were carried out and 22 applications were received from Dadaab and 135 applications from Kakuma. The small number of applications received in Dadaab has been attributed to fewer eligible candidates within the camps which requires a KCSE minimum score of B+ for male and B- for female applicants.
- Two students (from Kakuma and the University of Nairobi) participated in a Women's Dialogue Forum in Addis Ababa from 24th to 28th June.

#### Health

The first advanced radiology centre in Kakuma camp is now operational at the Kakuma General Hospital offering services to refugees and the host community. The installation of an x-ray machine is aimed at improving diagnostic capacity and emergency equipment to strengthen capacity to respond to emergency cases.



#### **Food Security and Nutrition**

- 7,294 individuals are enrolled in supplementary feeding programme to improve their nutrition since January 2019.
- 2,266 new admissions recorded in Outpatient Therapeutic Programme in 2019.
- 2,206 newly arrived children screened for malnutrition since January 2019 out of which 377 (17.1%) were found to be acutely malnourished.

#### Water and Sanitation

- Refugees in Kakuma received an average of 21.33 litres of clean water per person per day while refugees in Kalobeyei settlement received 21.23 litres per person per day.
- UNHCR supplied on average of 26.8 litres of water per day per capita from 22 boreholes to the entire refugee population in the three Dadaab camps. Nineteen (19) of these boreholes operate on Solar PV-Diesel hybrid system.

#### **Shelter and NFIs**

A total of 7,642 bank accounts opened for refugees in Kalobeyei settlement since June 2018 and KES. 280,996,600 distributed to beneficiaries through the cash-based intervention (CBI) approach for permanent shelters and core relief items.

#### **Energy**

196 refugee households and businesses have so far been connected to the Kalobeyei Settlement mini power grid and 60 connections in the host community mini grid in Kalobeyei town. The registration and connection process is ongoing until the target of 280 connections in the settlement and 101 in Kalobeyei town is met.

#### **Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance**

In order to boost market activities and promote the local economy, a new market mall for 22 traders from the refugees and the host community has been established in village one of Kalobeyei settlement. 16 traders have already signed a lease agreement to set up market informed businesses in the new mall which is expected to be operational in the month of August 2019.

#### **Durable Solutions**

#### **Voluntary Repatriation**

- Diminishing interest in voluntary repatriation to Somalia has continued to be observed. This may be linked to the limited number of return areas due to political developments which have impacted on the security situation in the country. Just before the commencement of the election period in October 2018, voluntary repatriation returns were conducted in up to ten out of the twelve designated safe areas for return. However, since mid-October 2018, the operation has only been able to facilitate return to two areas, notably Kismayo and Mogadishu.
- UNHCR finalized the analysis of the return intention survey for South Sudanese refugees residing in urban areas. The report shows that 80% of the respondents are unwilling to return to South Sudan in the near future, while 20% are willing to return if guaranteed of their safety when they decide to return.
- UNHCR liaised with the Burundi Embassy to facilitate the voluntary repatriation of 35 Burundian refugees from Kakuma to Bujumbura. This is part of ongoing efforts to provide durable solutions for PoCs wishing to voluntarily return to their countries of origin.



#### Resettlement

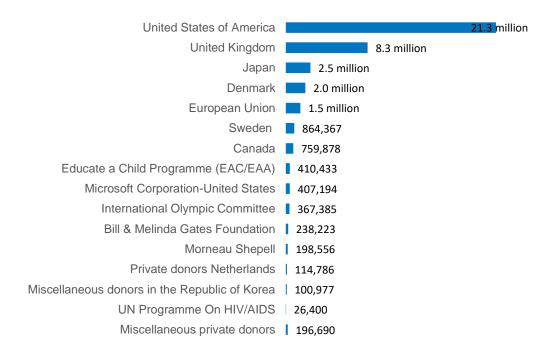
- 1,882 individuals have been submitted from Kenya for resettlement consideration to US, Australia,
   Canada, UK, Sweden and France, since the beginning of the year.
- Additionally, 479 individuals have departed for resettlement in 2019 mainly to the US, UK, Canada, Sweden and Australia.
- 34 cases of 135 individuals facilitated for resettlement through complementary pathways in 2019. These
  include family reunification, private sponsorships, educational scholarships and labour mobility.
- The Swedish Selection Mission was in Dadaab from 24th to 28th June where they interviewed 321 persons for resettlement considerations.
- The total resettlement quota for 2019 was increased to 975 individuals (75-UK, 300-Sweden, 350-Canada, 50-US and 200-Australia).
- During the period, 30 cases of 113 individuals were submitted to resettlement countries from Dadaab. As
  of June 2019, 592 individuals were submitted for resettlement being 69 to UK, 319 to Sweden and 204 to
  Canada.

## **Financial Information**

Total recorded contributions for the operation amount to some US\$ 104.3 million.

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