

# Kakuma Camp & Kalobeyei Settlement, Kenya

1 – 31st January 2022

221,749

Refugees and asylum seekers in Kakuma camp, and Kalobeyei settlement as of 31st January

2,648

Refugee living in Urban set up.

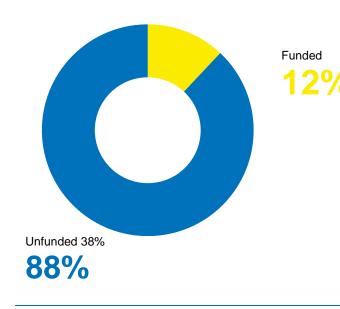
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Newborns registered in January.

#### **FUNDING (AS OF 25 JANUARY 2022)**

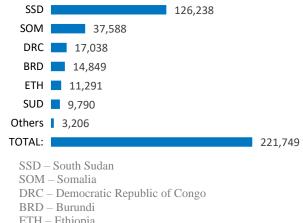
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#### **POPULATION OF CONCERN (JANUARY 2022)**

# Country of origin



ETH – Ethiopia

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s<sup>®</sup> Uganda, Rwanda, Congo, Eritrea, United Republic of Tanzania, Yemen, Afghanistan, Zimbabwe, Pakistan, Egypt, ia, Saudi Arabia, Central African Republic, Comoros, Chad, Burkina Faso, Angola, Mauritania, Guinea.

#### **COVID-19 FIGURES**

16,910

Doses of vaccines have been administered in Kakuma Camp and Kalobeyei settlement.

13,920

PoCs were successfully enrolled into National Hospital Insurance Fund



Hassan Abdul, a 22-year-old Somali refugee from Kakuma, receives a Johnson & Johnson vaccine dosage at the Amusait hospital in the Kakuma refugee camp. © UNHCR/Pauline Omagwa





#### **Achievements and Impact**

- Registrations: As of January 2022, 221,749 refugees and asylum-seekers have been registered in Kakuma. Most refugees and asylum-seekers came from South Sudan, Burundi, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Somalia.
- Child Protection: 75 child protection concerns were received 26 best interest assessments were conducted in line with the best interest procedures and shared for review.
- 7 BID requests from the solutions unit and biodata review for children under consideration for durable solution were made to DRC. 2 panel meetings were held during the month, and a total of 17 BIDs were discussed, and the recommendations were approved for 16 cases.
- Youth Protection and Development: UNHCR coordinated and facilitated the first virtual training of 104 refugee girls.
- During the month, a total of 122(108m,14f) KDL and KPL players received sporting item (football boots, stockings, shin guards and gloves for the goalkeeper) to enable them fully to participate in the sporting activities
- Inclusive sport: A tournament was held to bring together the children living with disability and other children to participate in adaptive football and 7 aside matches. A total of 10 teams participated in the tournament with 200 boys out of whom 20 had different disabilities.
- 38 girls from Kakuma camp and 5 girls from Kalobeyei settlement) participated in various sessions of peer-to-peer meetings which focused on menstrual health management, hygiene, peer influence, and teenage pregnancies.
- 392 pupils were engaged in and provided with online training which gave them a platform to engage with the experienced chess.
- Gender-Based Violence (SGBV): During the month, 62 new incidents were reported for 11M, 51F survivors, including 12 (2F, 10M) LGBTIQ+ persons who received case management services for the following types of cases. Among the cases reported, 22 were physical assault, 22 for psychological/emotional abuse, and 12 for rape.
- 1F referred to JRS/Safe Haven admission.
- 2 case conferences were held to deliberate on a case of a survivor of Psychological//emotional abuse who had reported insecurity in her home and a survivor at the Safe Haven who was demanding for discharge.
- 94 women Create awareness and knowledge on gender equality and SGBV related issues, thus promoting positive change in attitude and practices of community members to prevent SGBV: 94 (47 Kakuma, 47 Kalobeyei) were identified, and initial meetings were held with them.
- 196 men took part in this month's prevention activities, such as GBV committees, gender clubs, block forums, GBV training and mass awareness.
- A forum with traditional leaders in Kalobeyei village three was conducted with 17(12F,5M including 1PWD) participants. The objective of the meeting was to receive updates/feedback
- A total of 127(82F, 45M) persons were reached through awareness-raising activities of GBV informally in the community through tap stand awareness platforms and informal gatherings at marketplaces
- A total of 146(96F, 50M) persons were reached in the targeted block forums in Kakuma locations. Five forums were conducted in Kakuma where each forum targeted 30 people. The key objective of the forums was the creation of GBV awareness and strengthening community measures to curb GBV.



- UNHCR CBP and GBV units together with DRC's HDP and GBV units started 2022 LGBTIQ+ peacebuilding dialogues sessions with the non-LGBTIQ+ refugees and host communities.
- Youth Protection: 10 (7M, 3F) youth and adolescents actively participated in protection targeted programme. These were cabinet members of Youth Parliament who held a meeting for the planning of 2022 activities which involve the addressing the needs of youth in the communities and coming up of solutions/recommendations.
- During the month under review, a total of 989(480M,509F) youth were engaged in sports and creative arts which included chess games and football in both the host community and in refugee camp. Friendly matches were played as the league is on recess.
- A total of 194 adolescents and youth girls were engaged during a peer-to-peer guidance and mentorshipprogramme. The sessions discussed issues affecting girls participating in sports, importance of sports for their protection and social welfare, peer influence, and how to identify and report GBV in sports.



#### **Achievements and Impact**

- Pre-Primary, Primary and Secondary schools in Kakuma and Kalobeyei reopened successfully for the third term of 2021 on 4 January 2022. The schools adhered to the Ministry of Education guidelines on safe reopening of schools. A total of 85,381 (36541 Female) reported back to schools after reopening.
- Teaching and learning materials that include reference textbooks were distributed across schools
- 273 students attending schools outside the camp/settlement were facilitated to return to school in various parts of the country.
- UNHCR and its partners distributed 625 solar powered radios to pre-primary schools' parents and school management committees in both host and refugee communities to follow awareness programs aired on local FMs.
- Education partners continued to conduct radio spots to disseminate back to school campaigns, child protection messages through local FM stations
- 28 (12 Female) learners underwent Functional Assessment at Educational Assessment Resource Centre (EARC), while 6 (2 Female) were referred for further medical treatment.
- 1170 (303 Female) parents, teachers and community leaders sensitized on importance of education, gender equality and inclusive learning. Additional 802 community members in Kalobeyei trained on child protection and hygiene practises.
- 39 teachers trained using Teachers in Crisis Context (TiCC) modules and supported to form teacher learning cycles.
- Funding support for education was received from various donors, including the US Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (PRM), the Humanitarian Aid Department of the European Commission (ECHO), the EU Trust Fund (EUTF), the Educate A Child (EAC) Programme of the Education Above All (EAA) Foundation, the UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO), Education Cannot Wait (ECW), Global Affairs Canada, the Mastercard Foundation and Stichting Benevolentia (Porticus).



#### **Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps**

- Learning in primary schools were disrupted for 2 weeks in Kakuma following refugee teachers strike with demands for harmonization and increase on incentives. UNHCR started multi-stakeholder engagements to harmonize refugee incentives in Kakuma and Kalobeyei.
- Improving teacher numbers, quality, and motivation through various approaches, including increased opportunities for pre-service and in-service training, registration of refugee teachers, and teacher interns' deployment. Teacher mentorship and coaching support are needed.
- Support with the roll-out of the new Competency-Based Curriculum (CBC). Expand education access and improve the quality of teaching and learning at the pre-primary, primary, and secondary school levels by providing additional infrastructure, resources, and amenities needed for learners to succeed, building quality assurance and fostering local participation sustainability.
- Support schools with education technology solutions and equipment (computers, laptops, tablets, Multi-Touch Display, etc.) to provide curriculum supplementation and increase student motivation and experiences.
- Increased support for the education of marginalized children through integrated inter-sectorial linkages and support.
- Accelerated Education, catch-up classes, and remedial support.
- Increased efforts to expand higher education access through the Turkana West University campus's operationalization and increased partnership for the online, onsite and blended provision.



#### CASH BASED INTERVENTIONS (CBI)

#### **Achievements and Impact**

- CBI for Shelter: In the month of 311 (137 females) individuals were reached through CBI. This included 160 (86 females) from 20 households benefitting from cash for shelter, 129 (60 females) assisted with cash for Education, and 22 (9 females) assisted with cash for incentive work.
- KES 3,956,371 was distributed to Persons of Concern in Kakuma Camps and Kalobeyei Settlements, KES 1,456,160 cash for Shelter and latrine, KES 2,412,211 cash for Education, and KES 88,000 for incentives
- This translates to 37%, 61% and 2% cash disbursed for Shelter, Education, and cash for Work respectively
- 27 complaints from refugees in Kakuma and Kalobeyei through Fresh Desk. The complaints included: 17 requests from POCs to change bank custodianship due to changes in the household headship. Six (6) requests for new bank accounts for new arrivals, confirmation on the CBI entitlement. Four (4) were other complains with different issues. 77% of the complaints were addressed and feedback provided directly to the PoCs concerned. 23% were unreachable for CBI team to communicate feedback.

#### **Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps**



30 students' school fees payment was delayed as they failed to meet the monitoring compliance requirements which included submitting their school report cards. The education team has since resolved these issues and the payments will be done in February.



#### **Achievements and Impact**

- In January, 425 skilled deliveries were recorded within the various health facilities
- A total of 514 mental health consultations were made in the month.
- 08 cases were referred from Kakuma to Lodwar, Eldoret and Nairobi. These were mainly emergency cases in need of specialized care not available in Kakuma and diagnostic imaging services such as CT scan to assist in managing various health conditions. Additionally, 62 cases were referred to Kakuma Mission Hospital for imaging services.
- 34 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in January 2022. Cumulatively, 1,279 COVID-19 positives have been identified from a sample size of 18,330.
- As of 28<sup>th</sup> January, 4,626 individuals were admitted at the two quarantine facilities in Kakuma and Kalobevei.
- As of 30<sup>th</sup> January, 16,910 doses of vaccines have been administered in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement. 7,421 of these have been first doses while 5,181 were second doses and 4,245 doses of Johnson and Johnson vaccine administered as a single dose vaccine. Additionally, 66 booster doses have been administered.

Site	Partially Vaccinated			Fully Vaccinated		
	Total	PoC	HAW	Total	PoC	HAW
Kakuma	2,240	1,811	429	9,426 (2nd dose plus	8,188	1,238

- Among those who have received the first dose, 1,291 are humanitarian staff and 6,130 are PoC to UNHCR. Among those who have received the second dose 862 are humanitarian workers and 4,319 are PoC to UNHCR. Among those who have received the single dose J&J vaccine 376 are humanitarian staff and 3,869 are PoCs to UNHCR. Additionally, 54 humanitarian workers and 12 PoC have received the booster vaccine.
- The Ministry of Health, Turkana County embarked on a 10-day supplementary COVID-19 immunization campaign that runs from 28<sup>th</sup> January to 6<sup>th</sup> February. This is aimed at increasing vaccination coverage within the county.
- 13,920 households of PoCs and host community were successfully enrolled into NHIF. UNHCR is now processing payment to NHIF for the NHIF accounts to be activated. In collaboration with various implementing partners, UNHCR participated in two community dialogue sessions on the introduction and rollout of NHIF in Kalobeyei. The sessions brought together about 40 youth and women.



#### **Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps**

- COVID-19 upsurge: There has been a surge in the number of new COVID-19 infections reaching above 30% positivity rate by the last week of December. This is a threat to the operation as most humanitarian staff affected must stay away from work until recovered. Measures have been put in place including reduced footprint in offices, post-travel quarantine for 5 days followed by a rapid antigen test, among other public health measures.
- Electronic Medical Records: The operation has initiated electronic medical records in 5 of the 8 facilities. This has improved efficiency in health record keeping and reporting. There is a need to include three remaining facilities through procurement of hardware, enabling internet connectivity and improving staffing to support in the remaining health facilities. This will also support operationalization of NHIF.
- Medical Infrastructure: There is a need for enhanced medical infrastructure to enhance capacity for life saving interventions. There is need for medical oxygen plant. Currently all medical oxygen is sought over 120km from the main inpatient facility with erratic supply of the lifesaving commodity. There is also a need for 10 bed High dependency unit facility to ensure severely sick patients can be stabilised and provided with critical care.
- Human resource: The current ratio of consultations per clinician per day stands at 78, above the UNHCR and WHO recommendation of 50. There is a need to recruit additional qualified health workers to improve health services and reduce reliance on auxiliary staff to provide medical care.
- Physical Infrastructure: 3 of the existing 8 health facilities are in a dilapidated state and unable to support the respective catchment areas that they serve. There is a need for total reconstruction of this facilities to enable proper flow of patients, infection prevention and enable health workers have safe and enabling work environment.



#### **Achievements and Impact**

- In January, 280 (261 refugees and 19 nationals) admissions in the Outpatient Therapeutical Program (OTP) and 811 admissions (734 refugees and 77 nationals) in the Supplementary Feeding Program (SFP) were recorded. The Stabilization Centre admitted 8 severely malnourished children with medical complications out of which 6 were nationals. Partners work closely with county ministry of health for smooth referral of cases from the host community.
- The performance indicators for children under five years with acute malnutrition remained within the recommended SPHERE standards where the recovery rates are >75% for both OTP and SFP.
- UNHCR and partners continued to provide health and nutrition education to pregnant and lactating women and parents of children during the nutrition distribution sessions while observing the COVID-19 guidelines.
- Promotion of optimal Maternal Infant and Young Child Nutrition (MIYCN) practises through support groups continued with 6 new groups formed during the month. Cumulatively, there were 51 mother-



to-mother support groups and 6 father-to-father support groups in January. The support group members continued screening and referred malnourished and children at risk of malnutrition to nutrition clinics. Out of the 61 Family MUAC referrals that were made in January 16 were enrolled to OTP, 31 to SFP, and 14 children did not meet the admission criteria to the nutrition programs in January.

• Five cooking demonstrations were conducted in several OTP sites targeting caregivers with children under 2 years to promote complementary feeding.

#### **Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps**

- Food rationing: There is ongoing food rationing with current food basket at 57% of the recommended quantity of 2,100 Kcal/person/day. This will continue to have a direct effect on the food security in both Kakuma and Kalobeyei. Hence, there is a need for increased surveillance to ensure all new cases of malnutrition are detected early and linked to care and follow-up and advocacy for increased ration to meet the dietary needs of PoCs.
- Anaemia burden: High prevalence was recorded in the November 2021 SMART/SENS survey where it was above the WHO emergency threshold of > 40% for both children under five years and women of reproductive age. There is need for continued communication activities aimed at behaviour change to ensure PoCs can choose and utilise locally available nutrient dense foods in the market that provide maximum nutrients to them and their children as well as strengthen monitoring of uptake of essential services e.g., antenatal care for pregnant women.



#### **Achievement and Impact**

- A pilot project to test Electric Pressure Cookers (EPCs) as clean cooking fuel in Kalobeyei Settlement commenced in January. The project will test 100 EPCs for Households and SMEs using the 60kWp Solar minigrid in Kalobeyei.
- Two real time (automated) energy meters were installed at UNHCR Field Post 4 and Kalobeyei Field post to collect energy consumption data in real time. The data will allow UNHCR to monitor and sustain the energy consumption & changes over time as well as complement the planned solarization of these facilities.
- End line data collection for the 10-day Global Energy Monitoring Survey commenced on 24th February 2022.
- Repairs for 24 Institutional Cookstoves (100 litres 400litres) in 16 primary schools commenced in January 2022
- In January, 86.64MTs of firewood were distributed to Schools in Kakuma Camp and Kalobeyei Settlement.



- 10,100 tree seedlings were produced & propagated in January cumulatively in all the tree nurseries and 19,953 of the tree seedlings were distributed to the refugee community, institutions, green belts and host community for planting.
- A total of 803 (490 female) individuals were reached on environmental & forest conservation and management awareness.

#### **Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps**

- UNHCR meets 11% of the cooking energy needed for families to cook three meals a day. Setting up production facilities for alternative cooking fuels (i.e., briquettes & pellets) and engaging LPG producers, suppliers, and distributers is key to meeting the need. Existing and alternative cooking energies aren't affordable; therefore, subsidies and blended finances are required.
- There is significant deforestation & environmental degradation in & around the refugee settlements which threatens safe living conditions for both refugees and host communities. There is a need to sustainably scale up land rehabilitation programmes & enhanced water harvesting & retention technologies to improve tree seedlings survival & provide long-term environmental and social benefits.
- Access to Electricity for houses and businesses, in addition to electricity for protection and security, remains one of the main gaps; UNHCR KSO targets 200Wh/HH/day and 1 KWh/businesses/day. The fund required to achieve this target at Kalobeyei is ~4 million USD and ~12 million USD for Kakuma. The gradual introduction of mini grids would achieve this target in 3 years.
- Private sector and development partners' engagement is essential to achieve the camp electrification targets; however, lack of funding and the absence of financial guarantees to the private sector and development agencies to implement medium to long-term projects in Kakuma (5 10 years) is one of the challenges.

### **Working in partnership**

UNHCR continues to work closely with the Government of Kenya through the office of the Deputy County Commissioner (DCC), Turkana County Government, 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 virtually using Microsoft Teams platform.

#### **UNHCR Partners in Kakuma**

Government of Kenya | Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) | UNICEF | WFP| International Organization for Migration (IOM)| The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) | The United Nations Human Settlement | Programme (UN-Habitat) | The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) | Lutheran World Federation (LWF) | International Rescue Committee (IRC) | National Council of Churches of Kenya (NCCK) | Windle International Kenya (WIK)| Jesuit Refugee Services (JRS)| Don Bosco Kenya (DBK) | FilmAid International | Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) | Lotus Kenya Action for Development Organization (LOKADO) | iamtheCODE | Waldorf Kakuma | Action Africa Help International (AAHI) | Refugee Consortium of Kenya (RCK)| Danish Refugee Council



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