



KEY FIGURES

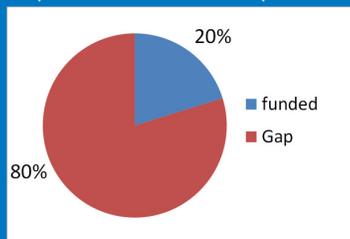
215,045

UNHCR PoC for the situation

FUNDING

USD 153.2m

Requested for the UNHCR operation



PRIORITIES

- The main focus was to resume registration exercise which was on hold, Accountability matrix and development of new site at Pugnido II for the refugees still at entry points of Pagak, Akobo and Burbiey.

ETHIOPIA

UNHCR ETHIOPIA: SOUTH SUDAN SITUATION OPERATIONAL UPDATE

10 July-15 July 2015

HIGHLIGHTS

- South Sudanese refugees continued to arrive in Ethiopia at a daily average rate of 205 people. They crossed through Pagak, Akobo, Burbiey and Raad entry points and told UNHCR staff that they were fleeing generalized violence and food insecurity in Upper Nile and Jonglei states in particular.
- The total number of new arrivals from South Sudan since 15 December 2013 is now 215,045 individuals, including 211,367 in Gambella and 3,678 in the Benishangul-Gumuz region, near Assosa. This brings the cumulative number of South Sudanese refugees in Ethiopia to 278,464, including 63,419 that were in the country before December 2013.
- The much awaited registration of new arrivals commenced in Akobo on 9 July 2015, with UNHCR and ARRA registering 1,546 individuals consisting of 331 families. 214 Unaccompanied and Separated Children (UASCs) have also been identified and registered. Similarly, registration has commenced in Burbiey entry point on 12 July targeting 3,368 refugees. The registration of new arrivals in Pagak remains on hold pending nationality screening to be conducted jointly by ARRA and UNHCR. In the meantime, the more than 7,500 asylum seekers in Pagak, including 3,939 refugees who have undergone level 1 registration, continue to receive humanitarian assistance.
- A Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) technical mission visited the refugee operation during the reporting week. The mission sought to test a methodology to assess current supply/demand of woody biomass for heating and cooking within the camps; collect information on the current uses of bioenergy and examine innovative and appropriate energy conversion technologies for heating and cooking purposes. The objective of the mission also included a 'techno-economic' analysis of appropriate technologies for the conversion of woody biomass and for improving access to energy.
- UNHCR donated 16 bicycles to the Refugee Central Committee (RCC) members in Jewi refugee camp. The donation is meant to enable refugee leaders to move easily within the expansive linear camp and help UNHCR and Partners solve some local issues in the camp.

Population of concern

A total of **215,045** people of concern

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

The total number of South Sudanese refugees who have entered Ethiopia since the outbreak of the conflict in mid-December 2013 stands at 215,045 individuals. Including 63,419 refugees who were in country before December 2013, the cumulative number of South Sudanese refugees in Ethiopia has reached 278,464. During the reporting week, the Gambella operation focused on resuming the registration of new arrivals in the various entry points as well as on preparing the ground for the development of Pugnido II camp site. Moreover, the operation has been seized with finalizing the establishment of Jewi refugee camp side by side with receiving new arrivals through Pagak, Akobo, Burbiey and Raad entry points.

Achievements

Protection

Achievements and Impact

- In Jewi refugee camp, marking of shelters is on-going and the registration team has collected addresses for a total of 4,928 families which will be subsequently updated in the UNHCR special database.
- A total of 1,014 youth and adults (322 males & 692 females) in Kule and Tierkidi camps received legal awareness training sessions on Ethiopian laws on SGBV, legal actions, and the referral pathway.
- As part of Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD), Plan International continued with parenting trainings for parents with children under three years of age and formed ten groups that have 200 members ((10*20) in zones “A & B” & “C & D” in Kule Refugee Camp. The center facilitators were also trained on how to guide the process.
- In Jewi Refugee Camp, a total of 4,100 children were served in the child friendly space in indoor and outdoor activities. In order to improve service facilities, 2 additional tents were set up for the beneficiaries.
- In Okugo refugee camp, the construction of permanent buildings project for Child Friendly Space has commenced and almost 20% of the work is completed.

Education

Achievements and Impact

- Refugee students in Kule refugee camp have completed the seasonal examinations and teachers have prepared and recorded the school mark sheets. Absenteeism during the examination period was a serious challenge though.
- During the reporting week, ARRA distributed report cards to some of the primary school students (grades 1-7) who attended their regular studies during the year and who sat for the second semester final exams in the 4 ARRA administered primary schools.
- After two weeks of suspension on security grounds, the tutorial classes for the new arrivals in Pugnido camp resumed during the week with 55 (1 F) out of a total 87 students attending classes. With a view to improving students’ attendance among the new arrivals, UNHCR field colleagues met with refugee central committee for the new site to discuss ways of mobilizing more students to attend classes. Mobilization has already started.

Health

Achievements and Impact

- The distribution of Long Lasting Insecticide Treated Bed Nets (LLITNs) in Jewi, Tierkidi, Kule and Pagak camps is on-going. Additional 15,000 LLITNs were sent to Jewi camp for distribution.

- UNICEF has committed 40,000 (LLITNs) from its Gambella warehouse for distribution to refugees in camps with a high risk of malaria infestation.
- New arrival vaccination was provided for all children less than 15 years of age at Pagak Akobo and Burbiey entry points. Accordingly, 673 children between 6 months to 14 years of age received measles vaccine and 723 children less than 15 years of age received Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV). Also, in order to improve child health, 335 children 6-59 months of age were provided with Vitamin A supplementation and 126 children aged 24-59 months were given albendazole tablets (for deworming).



Food Security and Nutrition

Achievements and Impact

- In Pugnido refugee camp gaps in the past distribution of food ration were discussed with WFP and solutions have been agreed upon. WFP reported that Pulses will not be among the items for the July general food distribution and refugee representatives have been duly informed.
- Nutrition partners (GOAL, ACF and CWW) reported good progress in both Therapeutic Supplementary Feeding (TSFP) and Basic Supplementary Feeding (BSFP) programmes since adequate stock is available in all camps.
- The refugees awaiting relocation at Pagak will be receiving another round of 15 days food ration during the week pending relocation to the new camp. Similarly, there is a plan to distribute 15 days food ration in Matar transit center to cater to the needs of refugees to be relocated from Akobo and Burbiey entry points. WFP has already provided High Energy Biscuits for new arrivals in Akobo and Burbiey to be used as transit ration and a welcome package.
- Refugees in Akula settlement have been provided food for June and July to mitigate the problem of inaccessibility that's being aggravated by the continuing rains. Food ration for August and September has already been pre-positioned in Akula and stored in the WFP provided mobile storage units.
- Since the beginning of 2015, a total of 8,949mt, 2,892mt and 938mt of assorted food commodities were dispatched to South Sudan through air, river and road respectively.



Water and Sanitation

Achievements and Impact

- Wash indicators stand at 15.8 liters per person per day (l/p/d) in Kule, 16.5 l/p/d in Tierkidi 7.5 l/p/d in Jewi, 19 l/p/d in Okugo and 15.2 l/p/d in Pugnido while, latrine coverage is 1:11 p/l in Kule, 1:26 P/l in Tierkidi, and 1:48 P/l in Jewi.
- Routine hygiene activities were conducted in all camps and an estimated 9,868 people were reached through hygiene promotion campaigns.
- Construction of the collection chamber for the Kule and Tierkidi permanent water scheme has resumed with plat form compaction activities.
- For WASH in child friendly space, 3,710 children benefited from a hygiene messaging session in Kule camp.
- In Okugo camp 22 household pits were excavated and the construction of WASH superstructures is underway.



Camp Coordination and Camp Management

Achievements and Impact

- In Jewi camp the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) has graded 6.0 km of the main road while placing of the first layer of selected materials is on-going. 2.0 km of bush clearing for the internal roads has been completed.



Shelter

Achievements and Impact

- In Jewi camp, the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) has completed 2,350 Emergency Shelter while the Danish Refugee Council (DRC) has completed construction of the planned 835 transitional shelters.

 Logistics & NFI

Achievements and Impact

- UNHCR Supply Unit dispatched 15 pieces of solar lanterns, 6 rolls of plastic tarpaulins and 4 pieces of plastic sheets to Pagak reception center. 4 pieces of plastic sheet were also dispatched to Jewi camp to support the ongoing registration verification exercise in the camp. Furthermore, 1,581 pieces of solar lanterns and 63,007 pieces of laundry soap were dispatched to ARRA in Pugnido for distribution in the same camp.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total recorded contributions for the UNHCR operation amount to some **US\$ 31 million**, against **US\$ 153.2 million** requested for the situation, which is **20% funded** as at 19 May. UNHCR is grateful for the critical support provided by donors who have contributed to this operation as well as those who have contributed to UNHCR programmes with unearmarked and broadly earmarked funds.

UNHCR is grateful to the following donors for their direct contribution to the South Sudan Situation:



UNHCR is grateful for the generous contributions of donors who have given unrestricted and regional funds in 2015:

United States of America | Sweden | Netherlands | Norway | Denmark | Australia | Japan | Switzerland | France | Priv Donors Spain | Canada | Afghanistan | Algeria | Austria | Belgium | Costa Rica | Estonia | Finland | Germany | Holy See | India | Italy | Kuwait | Latvia | Lithuania | Luxembourg | Monaco | Morocco | Mozambique | New Zealand | Peru | Portugal | Qatar | Republic Of Korea | Saudi Arabia | Serbia | Singapore | Slovak Republic | South Africa | Sri Lanka | Thailand | United Arab Emirates | Uruguay | Private donors

Contacts:

Clementine Awu Nkweta Salami, Representative, NKWETASA@unhcr.org , Tel: +251-116612822;
Kisut GebreEgziabher, Asst. Comm/PI Officer, GEGZIABK@unhcr.org, Tel: +251-116612822, Cell: +251-911208901