

KEY FIGURES

47,707

Asylum seekers received since influx began in December 2013.

2,880

UAMS in Kakuma Camp.

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The ratio of latrines to users in Kakuma 4

20

Litres of water provided per person per day during the reporting period.

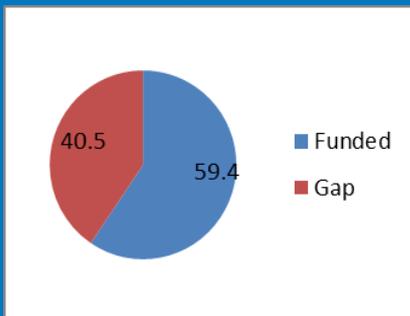
7,932

Number of roofed durable shelters in Kakuma 4.

FUNDING

USD 36.5 MILLION

Requested for the operation



PRIORITIES

- Monitor trends of daily new arrivals
- Maintenance of water network to ensure improved supply
- Reinforcement of El Nino preparedness measures
- Monitor diseases of outbreak potential i.e. watery diarrhoea and cholera

KENYA

KAKUMA OPERATIONAL UPDATE

12 - 26 NOVEMBER 2015

HIGHLIGHTS

- As at 25 November 2015, Kakuma had registered 47,707 refugees from South Sudan. During the reporting period, 75 individuals were transported to the camp from Nadapal. As at 23 November, the total registered camp population was 183,336 with 92,534 (50.5%) from South Sudan.
- The new Director General of DG ECHO, Monique Pariat was on a one day familiarization visit to Kakuma Camp on 24 November. The DG was accompanied by an ECHO delegation, UNHCR Kenya Country Representative and heads of UNICEF, IRC and WFP offices in Nairobi. The DG visited various ECHO funded projects in sectors including WASH, health, food and nutrition and El Nino preparedness. She met the Sub County Commissioner, DRA Camp Manager and partners who briefed her on the operation. She also engaged a number of refugees in the camp.



The DG walks through a food distribution point in the camp. UNHCR/ Wachiaya

- 16 Days of Activism was officially launched on 25 November in the camp. The international campaign starts on 25th November, which is also the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women and ends on 10th December which is International Human Rights Day. UNHCR together with DRA and other humanitarian partners joined refugees and the host community to celebrate the event whose theme is "Peace in the Home to Peace in the World - Make Education Safe for All." The campaign raises awareness about gender-based violence as a human rights issue.



The 16 Days banner on display during a procession in the camp. UNHCR/ Wachiaya

- A team from ECHO was on a flight monitoring mission to Kakuma on 20 November. The team comprised of officials from the Brussels and Nairobi offices came to assess how ECHO Flight operations work in Kakuma. They also visited the camp to focus on preparedness activities implemented by UNHCR and partners in anticipation of El Nino.
- A team from Africa Lily, a company that produces handmade leather products was in Kakuma on 20 November 2015. The team came to explore how they can build the capacity of refugee groups making bags in the camp. UNHCR would consider sending some beneficiaries for training at Africa Lily workshops in Nairobi. It was also recommended that possibilities of working with big chain stores should be explored to create more market for the bags.

UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

Operational Context

- UNHCR conducts border monitoring visits to Nadapal three days a week to ensure that asylum seekers have unhindered access to asylum. The border monitoring unit includes staff from UNHCR’s Protection Unit, LWF and IRC and ensures that vulnerable persons are attended to as a matter of priority. IRC sends a medical doctor or nurse at least once a week to carry out initial medical screening. Any emergency cases are transferred to AIC Mission or Lopiding Hospital in Lokichoggio or to Kakuma at the main hospital.
- The trend of daily new arrivals has remained low with less than 100 people received weekly. Arrivals stay at the centre for a week where they receive hot meals thrice a day and sleeping facilities. UNHCR facilitates their transportation to the camp at the week end (Saturdays) and on any required day, depending on the numbers at the centre.

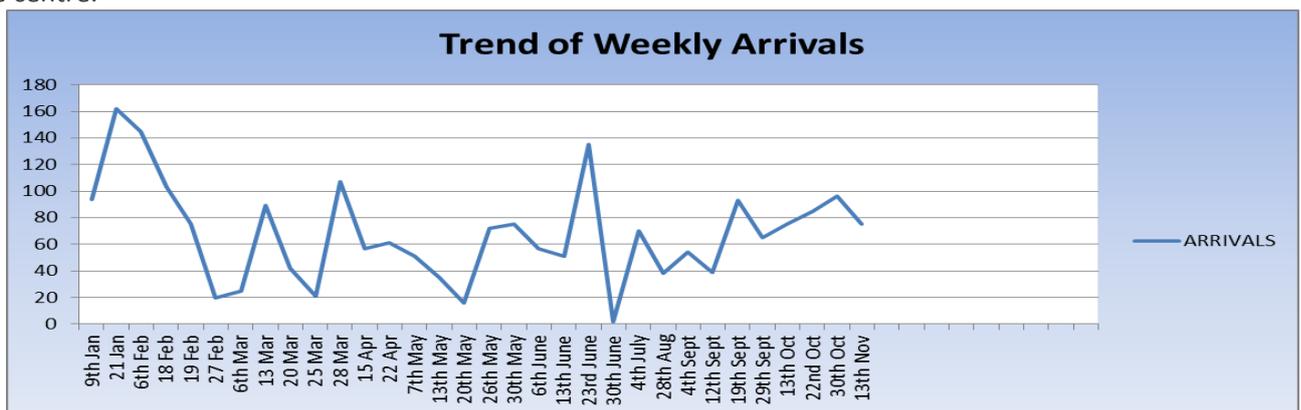


Fig 1: Trend of weekly new arrivals

- Issues of visa charges at the border by Immigration officials have continued with adults being charged KES 5,000 (about USD 50). In some cases however, immigration officials have allowed asylum seekers to pass without paying visa fees; however no clear procedure is in effect at the border on how the application of visa fees is done. Discussions have been on-going between the Immigration Office in Nairobi, UNHCR and the Department of Refugee Affairs to address the matter.

Protection

Child Protection

- As at 26 November, 1,360 new UAMs including 935 South Sudanese UAMs and 6,135 separated children have been registered, bringing the cumulative number of registered UAMs in Kakuma to 2,880 and 13,042 separated children.

Achievements and Impact

- During the reporting period, eight unaccompanied minors and 20 separated children were received at the reception centre. UNHCR is facilitating a verification exercise of UAMs to physically confirm those who may have changed status through spontaneous family reunification and those who have moved from one camp zone to another. This will be important for proper updates on the database and enable easier follow up of cases.

- The BID panel assessed a total of 20 cases. 89 home visits were made to 890 children in child headed households, foster families and to those with other protection concerns.

SGBV

- 13 SGBV related cases were reported during the reporting period. All reported cases received psychosocial counseling, legal and medical assistance to address their immediate needs.
- UNHCR and IRC conducted door to door information and outreach sessions across the camp. 626 refugees including new arrivals were reached with prevention messages and continued sensitization about this year's 16 days of activism campaign.
- UNHCR facilitated a two-day training for 57 incentive case workers and 10 national staff on persons with specific needs (PSN) case management. Topics covered included disability, community based rehabilitation, and community based protection approaches and stress management. The overall objective of the workshop was to equip participants with practical skills, knowledge and attitudes necessary to enhance their capacity to identify and effectively respond to beneficiaries with individual protection concerns.



Health

Achievements and Impact

- The general health status of refugees has been stable with crude mortality rate in the period remaining at 0.2/1000/month while Under 5 mortality rate is at 0.6/1000/month. The indicators have remained within Sphere/UNHCR standards.
- UNHCR is working closely with WASH and health partners (NRC and IRC) to closely monitor cases of watery diarrhea in the camp with the onset of the rains. A rapid assessment of the camp's sanitation situation was done to ensure targeted measures are in place to control cases of watery diarrhea and prevent outbreaks.
- UNHCR facilitated the visit of three AMREF consultants comprising of a radiographer, pediatrician and a surgeon during the reporting period. 70 patients were reviewed by the gynecologist and had ultrasounds done to facilitate definitive diagnosis of their conditions. 50 patients with surgical conditions were reviewed and 10 benefitted from surgery. Over 48 pediatric patients were reviewed; cumulatively the specialists served 180 patients.



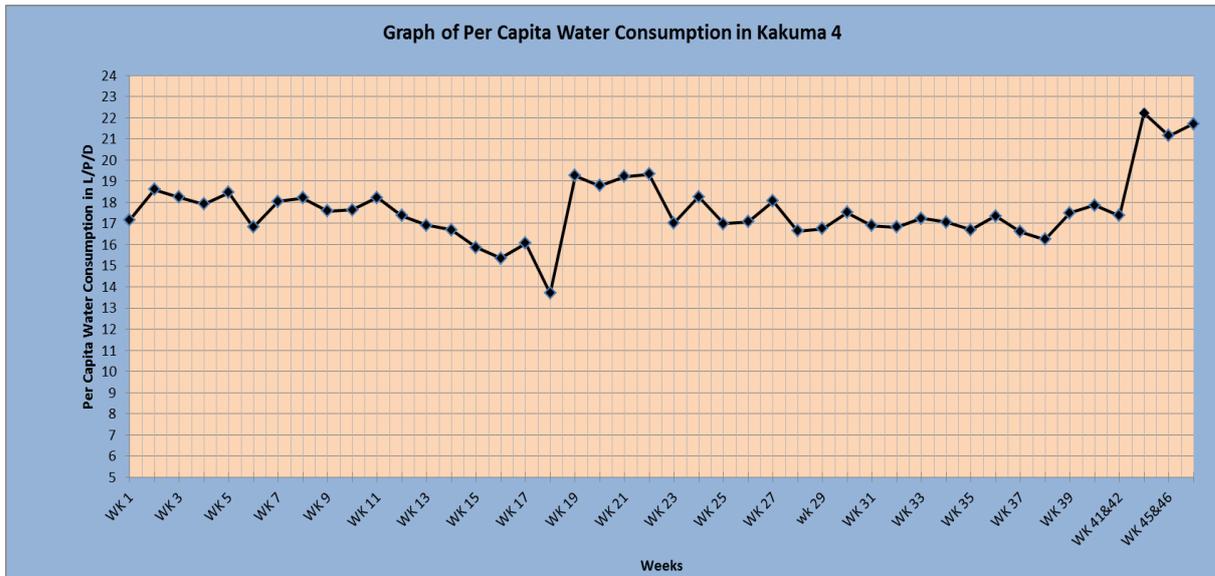
Food Security and Nutrition

- During the period under review, 50 newly arrived children aged 6 - 59 months were screened at the reception centre for malnutrition. Out of these, three children (5.6%) were found with severe acute malnutrition and three (5.6%) with moderate acute malnutrition. All identified cases of acute malnutrition were enrolled into respective rehabilitation programs.
- The health and nutrition survey which began on 06 November has been finalized. Preliminary data collected points to an increase in levels of malnutrition in the camp. The data will be compiled and shared in coming week with a comprehensive report of the survey anticipated by December.



Water and Sanitation

- A total of 14,945m³ of water was supplied to refugees residing in Kakuma 4 during the reporting period. This translated to a per capita consumption of 21 l/p/d. The increase in supply is attributed to minimal interruptions as the performance of all pumping equipment was optimal.



Achievements and Impact

- 13 leakages/bursts of various sizes equivalent to 32 meters of pipe line were repaired and seven Talbot taps were replaced. Operation of water systems was optimal as servicing, maintenance and monitoring of pumping equipment at key boreholes was done.
- NRC hygiene promoters conducted 502 house to house visits where they shared hygiene messages focused on hand washing with soap, proper solid waste disposal and latrine maintenance. 46 latrines were doused with lime to kill odour and vectors and 80 water ponds treated to prevent mosquito breeding.
- 219 household latrines were constructed for new arrivals; the latrine to user ratio currently stands at 1:10 for both communal and household latrines. Coverage is 48.6% for both communal and household latrines.

Shelter and NFIs

Achievements and Impact

- The topographic survey for the development of Kalobeyi settlement begun two weeks ago and is being finalized; the preliminary data and information collected have been analyzed for the review of the settlement layout. The topographical surveys shall provide relevant information to better locate various infrastructure as well as the areas to apportion agricultural and demarcation of different plots. Additionally, it will provide soil analysis information (an expert from the survey firm has been assigned to conduct the soil analysis) along the rivers which will inform on suitability of soil and appropriate drainage systems to put in place.



Top: Surveying equipment at the site
 Left: UNHCR Site planner with the topographical surveyor on site
 UNHCR/J.Charnetski



Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

Achievements and Impact

- During the reporting period, 59 new arrivals were profiled at the reception center. Agri-business, catering, masonry and tailoring. This information will assist AAHI (the Livelihood partner) to plan targeted livelihood support based on capacities of different groups. AAHI also conducted a life skills and financial literacy training for 88 new arrivals at the reception center.
- UNHCR provided emergency cash assistance to 82 families whose food was destroyed by the rains; the families have all put up durable shelters with plastic sheeting, mud bricks and iron sheets and three families have already set up small businesses at their new relocation site.

Working in partnership

- UNHCR continues to work closely with the Central and County Governments, DRA and other partners to ensure protection and wellbeing of refugees and asylum seekers. Bi-monthly Inter-Agency meetings continue to be held as well as meetings with refugee leaders in the camp.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Total recorded contributions for the emergency operation amount to **US\$ 21.7 million** representing **59.4%** of the requested funding.

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