



SOUTH SUDAN SITUATION

ETHIOPIA UPDATE

31 October 2016

KEY FIGURES

36,673

South Sudanese arrivals since 3 September 2016, based on reports from Gambella (as of 30 October 2016)

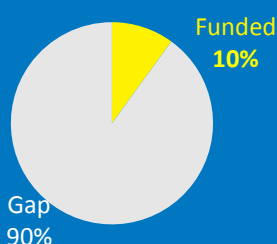
318,285

Total South Sudanese refugees and asylum-seekers in Ethiopia (both in Gambella and Assosa as of 30 October 2016)

FUNDING (as of 17 October)

USD 113.8 M

Requested by UNHCR for the South Sudan Situation in Ethiopia



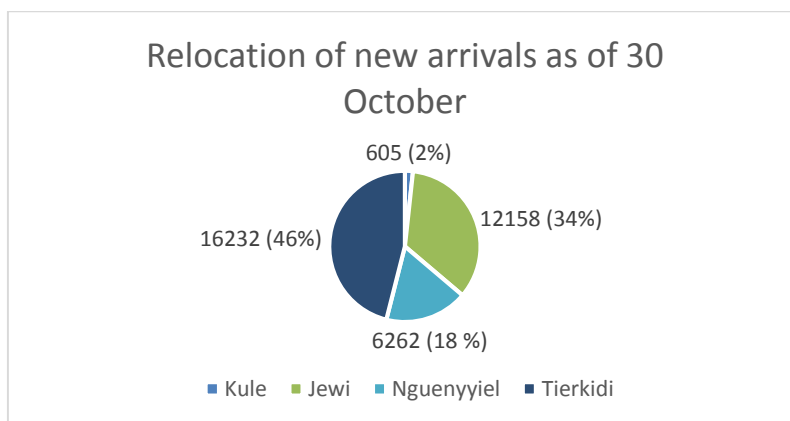
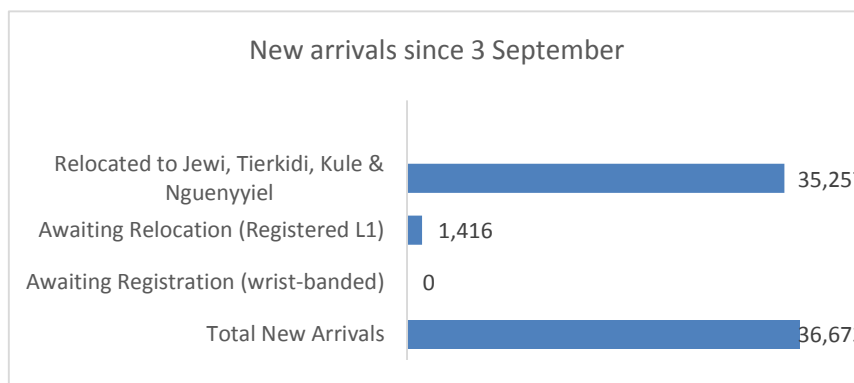
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HIGHLIGHTS

- **36,673 South Sudanese refugees have arrived in Gambella, Ethiopia since 3 September 2016.** 35,257 new arrivals were registered (level 1) and relocated to Jewi, Kule, Tierkidi and Nguenyyiel refugee camps, and 1,416 level 1 registered persons await relocation.
- UNHCR and partners have successfully decongested the Pagak Transit Centre.
- On average, 630 individuals arrive on a daily basis in the reporting period from 3 September to 30 October 2016.
- 64% of the total registered new arrivals are children, including **7,632 unaccompanied and separated children.**
- **The new arrivals, mostly originating from the Upper Nile State (80%) and Jonglie State (17%), reported to have fled from insecurity and food shortage in neighbouring South Sudan.**
- **As of 30 October, Ethiopia hosts more than 318,000 South Sudanese refugees.** They originate mostly from Upper Nile, Jonglei and Unity states.



UPDATE ON THE SITUATION

GAMBELLA

- Since 3 September, **36,673** new arrivals were recorded, with women and children as the majority (86%). Citing fear over the renewed fighting in areas in the Upper Nile State (Nasir, Maban, Mathiang and Maiwut), as well as food insecurity coupled with fright over the spread of the conflict to the Jonglei State (Ayod, Akobo, Fangak and Uru), an average of 630 people continue to arrive at the Pagak Transit Centre on a daily basis.
- **Situation in Pagak:** All child friendly spaces are functional. On 30 October, a total of 623 children have engaged in both indoor and outdoor games. Whereas indoor activities included building block, drawing, storytelling, and numeric and alphabetic counting in Nuer and English language, available outdoor games were football, volleyball, sea-sow playing, skipping rope, singing and traditional dances.
- The helpdesk is functional. Most cases relate to registration, in many instances in the context of rejection from registration for recycling motives.
- Youth friendly spaces offering diverse cultural and sports activities are operational for the persons awaiting relocation.
- The dissemination of key messages about services available in Pagak, including the helpdesk, child friendly spaces, youth centre, as well as sanitation and hygiene services, SGBV and child protection is ongoing. On 30 October, a total of 1,347 were reached.
- Nutrition services continue to be provided at the entry point. Since 3 September, a cumulative total of 8,248 children (6-59 months of age) have been screened for malnutrition, detecting a global acute malnutrition rate of 6.8%. Infant and young child feeding services and related advice continue to be provided to 64 pregnant and lactating women (PLW). Five group discussions were attended by 37 PLW, and 7 PLW received psychosocial support.

Update in the camps

- **Nguenyiel camp**, opened on 20 October, continued to accommodate refugees, newly relocated from Pagak. As of 30 October, the new camp shelters a total of 6,262 refugees in communal hangars and emergency family shelters. The new arrivals are receiving services, including the provision of water and sanitation facilities which meet the required standards.
- Emergency shelter construction, site clearance and access road improvement continued. On 29 October, a total of 430 emergency shelters, site clearance for two blocks and improvement of 6km access road were completed. As of 30 October, 2,880 emergency shelters, site clearance for 27 blocks and improvement of 14 km access road have been completed.
- Nutrition services continue to be provided to new arrivals. Since 20 October, a total of 1,962 children (6-59 months of age) have been screened for malnutrition, detecting a global acute malnutrition rate of 10.3 %.
- Infant and Young Child Feeding Services are ongoing. Advice reached 32 Pregnant and Lactating Women to promote and support exclusive breastfeeding and timely complementary feeding, as well as to provide psychosocial support to caregivers of infants.
- Systems strengthening began in the new camp, with capacity building of community outreach teams expected to improve linkages between nutrition site workers and the community, community ownership and the understanding of nutrition services available in the camps, as well as to timely trace and refer cases in need of nutritional support.
- **Tierkidi camp:** Road improvement and shelter construction are ongoing. As of 30 October, 1.56 km road improvement and 440 m cut and fill work have been completed. Furthermore, 1,160 emergency shelters and 786 family tents have been constructed.
- **Kule camp:** The entire camp population continues to receive 15 litres of water per person per day (lppd), and the 12 communal latrines are regularly cleaned and kept in usable condition.
Jewi camp: Refugees continue to receive 16 lppd, whilst the 564 communal latrines are kept in functional condition. The dissemination of messages on safe hygiene practices and environmental clean ups continued.