Nigeria Situation

01-31 December 2018

231,504
Nigerian refugees displaced in Cameroon, Chad and Niger due to insurgency as of 30 November 2018 (or latest figures available)

2,482,549
Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in Cameroon, Chad, Niger and north-east Nigeria due to insurgency as of 30 November 2018 (or latest figures available)

SECURITY DEVELOPMENTS

- During the month of December, North-East Nigeria witnessed a sharp escalation in insurgent activity. Military forces in Yobe and Borno states experienced multiple attacks by non-state armed groups (NSAG), resulting in considerable loss of personnel and military equipment. Public infrastructures, such as schools and health centres, were destroyed or severely damaged as a result of NSAG raids and fire exchanges with the government forces.

- Security analysts say with the resumption of political campaigns during the upcoming election period in Nigeria, potential NSAG attacks on political rallies using suicide bombers cannot be ruled out.

- In Far North Cameroon, the second half of December saw a decrease in attacks from Boko Haram. Nonetheless, the Boko Haram group remains such a threat that the Cameroonian military maintains its security presence along the Nigerian border to prevent cross-border attacks.

- In Chad, December was particularly marked by tensions between the Chadian army and Boko Haram elements in the Lake Chad province, along the Lake Chad itself. These attacks did not target humanitarian workers but had an impact on humanitarian activities as a result of the reducing humanitarian zones. From 15 December onwards, reports say that at least five attacks from suspected Boko Haram elements have taken place, leading to many civilian victims.

- In Niger, the proliferation of criminal and terrorist attacks and the incessant movements of the Boko Haram elements in the region are seen as an indicator of a probable deterioration of the security situation around the Diffa region. On 16 December, four transport vehicles were attacked by armed individuals assimilated to the Boko Haram ideology. Two people were killed and another two seriously injured in the attack.

OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

- In Cameroon, more than 3,500 out-of-camp Nigerian refugees were registered biometrically in Mayo Tsanaga. UNHCR also supported the registration of refugee returnees in North-East Nigeria.

- In the Sub-Prefecture of Ngouboua in Chad, authorities reported the arrival of 308 households (1,052 people) following the attack on the city of Baga Kawa on 26 December.

- On 5 December, the UN Safety and Security Department (UNDSS) temporarily suspended all UN staff missions from Niamey to Diffa in Niger, following the deterioration of the security situation.
UPDATE ON ACHIEVEMENTS

NORTH-EAST NIGERIA (Origin of Nigerian refugees living in Cameroon, Chad and Niger)

- In order to register new refugee returnees coming in from the bordering village of Kirawa in Cameroon, UNHCR supported the deployment of Nigerian Immigration Service (NIS) officials to the border town of Pulka in North-East Nigeria, Borno state.

- UNHCR distributed 664 NFI kits to refugee returnee households in various camps in the North-East of the country. As many as 750 energy-saving stoves and charcoal bags were provided to the vulnerable households in various camps across Pulka and in Monguno.

- UNHCR is working to install 5 communal hangars close to the reception centre in Pulka with the aim to manage the inflow of ‘new arrivals’, who are essentially IDPs and non-IDPs being displaced as a result of military operations in various locations in the North-East. In Ngala, UNHCR provided shelter repair kits to 500 vulnerable returnee households along with a cash component to help them rehabilitate their destroyed homes. For IDPs in Ngala, UNHCR through its government partner, Borno State Ministry for Reconstruction, Rehabilitation and Rehabilitation (MRRR), constructed 221 emergency shelters in a new location near Arabic Camp.

CAMEROON

- Biometric registration for out-of-camp Nigerian refugees which started in November continued in December 2018 in the department of Logone-et-Chari in collaboration with local authorities, the Joint Protection Committees and Intersos (UNHCR’s implementing partner). By 28 December, 3,519 individuals were registered in the department of Mayo Tsanaga. During the week of 23-26 December, some 5,986 individuals received emergency shelter kits in the Logone-et-Chari Department.

- At least 43 refugees from the Minawao camp received certificates from UNHCR and Plan International for the completion of a 6-month training to facilitate their socio-economic integration.

CHAD

- UNHCR organised a series of four training sessions in December on socio-economic inclusion of refugees and community protection, gender-based violence and protection monitoring.

- With funding by UNHCR, the Chadian Red Cross (CRT) built 23 Temporary Learning Spaces (TLS) in the Dar Es Salaam Camp, reducing 225 number of students per classroom down to 50 students per class. School material was also distributed in the two schools of Dar Es Salaam camp.

- The third stage of the mobile court hearings of the Project for Supporting Citizenship and the Prevention of Statelessness was launched on 12 December at the Kafia IDP site by the Directorate of Foreign Affairs and Civil Registration’s (DAPEC) focal point and the Baga Sola Peace Judge. The target was to establish 2,500 civil registrations for refugee and displaced persons.

- An inter-agency mission led by the CCCM / Abri / AME sub-cluster went to Kaiga-Kindjiria on 18 December to proceed with the distribution of the NFIs following the attack on the Kaiga Kindjiria sub-prefecture by Boko Haram elements. Some 774 households have benefited from this assistance, which will resume after the water level of the lake subsides.

NIGER

- The 2019 planning exercise between UNHCR and its implementing partners has taken place during December in Diffa. Meetings were organised to plan the different strategic axis.

- UNHCR participated in a meeting on the Humanitarian-Development Nexus held at the Regional Directorate of Planning in Diffa on 12 December. A forum on security was organised on 21 December under the leadership of the Governor of Diffa region, with all relevant parties, to discuss how to manage the security crisis and the foreseen deterioration of the situation in the upcoming months.
Financial Information

In total, for refugee response in Cameroon, Chad and Niger, as well as response for IDPs in Nigeria, UNHCR’s requirements amount to USD 163.5 million in 2018. UNHCR is very grateful for the financial support provided by donors, particularly those who have contributed to UNHCR activities with unearmarked and broadly earmarked funds, as well as for those who have contributed to the Nigeria Situation as a whole.

### CONTRIBUTIONS¹ | USD

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### OTHER SOFTLY EARMARKED CONTRIBUTIONS² | USD

- United States of America 220.4 million | Private donors Australia 13.3 million | Canada 6.5 million
- Republic of Korea 4 million | Sweden 3.2 million | Private Donors Republic of Korea 2.6 million
- Private Donors Sweden 2.4 million

France | Germany | Japan | Luxembourg | Malta | Norway | Switzerland | UN Peacebuilding Fund | Private donors

### UNEARMARKED CONTRIBUTIONS³ | USD

- Sweden 98.2 million | Private donors Spain 71 million | Netherlands 47.1 million | United Kingdom 45.3 million | Norway 42.5 million | Private donors Republic of Korea 35.2 million | Japan 26.5 million | Denmark 25.5 million | Private donors Italy 18.7 million | Private donors Japan 17.9 million | Switzerland 15.8 million | France 14 million | Germany 13.7 million | Private donors Sweden 13.2 million | Italy 11.2 million

- Algeria | Argentina | Austria | Belgium | Bosnia and Herzegovina | Bulgaria | Canada | Chile | China | Costa Rica | Cyprus | Estonia | Finland | Holy See | Iceland | India | Indonesia | Ireland | Israel | Kuwait | Latvia | Liechtenstein | Lithuania | Luxembourg | Monaco | Montenegro | New Zealand | Philippines | Portugal | Qatar | Republic of Korea | Russian Federation | Saudi Arabia | Serbia | Singapore | Slovakia | Sri Lanka | Thailand | Turkey | United Arab Emirates | Uruguay | Private donors

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³ The total amount of unearmarked contributions is shown for donors who have contributed $10 million or more.