OKUGO REFUGEE CAMP

OVERVIEW

The Okugo Refugee Camp is located in the southern part of Gambella region, Western Ethiopia, and hosts South Sudanese refugees of whom majority come from Jonglei state fleeing ethnic conflict. The main ethnic groups are Anuak (67%), Murle (29%) and others (4%). The refugees are mainly farmers and pastoralists.

REFUGEE population in Okugo Camp

A total of 11,135 persons of concern

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

- 164 new arrivals received and registered jointly with the Government counterpart (ARRA) during the month.
- Three event days organized as part of the 16 Days of Activism Against SGBV: World AIDS Day (01 Dec 2019), International Day of People With Disabilities (03 Dec 2019), and International Human Rights Day (10 Dec 2019).

WORKING WITH PARTNERS

UNHCR provides protection and services to refugees in Okugo in collaboration with:

- Administration for Refugee and Returnee Affairs (ARRA) - In representation of Ethiopia’s government - Camp Management and Coordination | Registration and Vital events | Education-Primary school 1- 8 Health and Nutrition | CRI & Food distribution
- DICAC –Secondary education and support local school
- DRC–Child Protection | SGBV prevention and response | Shelter | Habitat/ECCD/Youth
- NRDEP –Natural Resource development and Environmental protection
- Ethiopian Red Cross –Family link and tracing services
- RaDO -SRH&HIV | PSN
- World Food Programme (WFP)–Food supply
MAIN ACTIVITIES

HEALTH

- Health clinics are available for refugees and host communities wherein they receive medical care, including:
  - Health services, including vaccination and anti-malaria campaigning activities
  - Reproductive health and HIV/AIDS services
  - Support to the health center with drugs and medical equipment.

NUTRITION

- With support from UNHCR’s partners, refugees have access to infrastructure and receive nutritional support, including:
  - Provision of supplementary, complementary and therapeutic feeding (includes plumpy nuts)
  - Implementation and monitoring of school feeding programme.

WASH

- Refugees have access to 20.1 liters of potable water per person per day.
- Management and monitoring of existing water systems,
- Sanitation and Hygiene promotion
- Construction and maintenance of family latrines
- WASH-related capacity building

PROTECTION & COMMUNITY SERVICES & REGISTRATION

- UNHCR and its partners provide protection to refugees and promote durable solutions to their plight through:
  - Camp management and security
  - Support for persons with disability and other vulnerable groups
  - Child Protection
  - SGBV prevention, response services and capacity building

SHELTER

- Transitional and emergency shelters have been built and are regularly maintained.

CORE RELIEF ITEMS

- Core Relief Items - sleeping mats, kitchen sets, soap and sanitary materials - are distributed to refugees upon arrival.

LOGISTICS & SITE PLANNING

- Refugees are transported and relocated from border areas and within camps. In addition, the camp layout for Okugo Camp is comprised of 7 zones.

EDUCATION

- Early childhood, primary, secondary and tertiary schools are available, wherein school meals and vocational skill training for the youth are provided. Additional support is provided for University students.

ENVIRONMENT

- UNHCR and its partners seek to reduce the environmental negative impact in areas hosting refugees through:
  - Forest and environmental protection and capacity building on environmental protection.

FOOD

- On a monthly basis, food is supplied, transported and distributed to all refugees. December general food basket includes cereals (13.5kg), pulse (1.5kg), 0.15kg oat and vegetable oil (0.9 kg).

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