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 (64%), Murle (32%) and others (4%). The refugees are mainly farmers and pastoralists.

Refugee population in Okugo Camp
A total of 11,789 persons of concern

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS
- 25 hectares of land for pilot crop production was made available. It has been demarcated and partitioned and handed over to 50 beneficiaries both from Murle, Anyuak and other minorities have been selected and verified.
- COVID-19 taskforce and technical committee meeting conducted. Community sanitization, key messages on COVID 19 prevention, transmission and symptoms were disseminated to the refugee community through refugee structures as well as using megaphones.
- DRC has received funding from ECHO that could boost the current efforts in the fight against COVID-19. As such, construction of 110 household latrines, provision of multipurpose soap, Jerrycan, production and distribution of IEC material for POC as well as provision of protective materials (Sanitizer, Face mask, gloves) for staff and social works will be part of the project.

WORKING WITH PARTNERS
UNHCR provides protection and services to refugees in Okugo in collaboration with:
- Administration for Refugee and Returnee Agencies (ARRA) - In representation of Ethiopia’s government - Camp Management and Coordination | Registration and Vital events | Education-Primary school 1- 8 Health | CRI & Food distribution
- DICAC–Secondary education and support local school
- ASDEPO- Nutrition
- DRC–Child Protection | SGBV prevention and response | Shelter | WASH, Livelihood/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 20.4 liters of potable water per person per day.
- Management and monitoring of existing water systems.
- Sanitation and Hygiene promotion with special attention given to COVID-19 prevention, preparedness and response.
- 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 & SITE PLANNING
- 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
- 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. April general food basket includes cereals (13.5kg), pulse (1.5kg), vegetable oil (0.9 kg) and salt (0.15kg).

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