Situation report on the emergency of new refugees from Cameroon

CHAD, Province of Chari-Baguirmi

11,000
Estimated number of new arrivals from Cameroon since 11 August 2021

85%
Estimated percentage of women and children

7,950
Number of individuals identified by UNHCR (1,879 households)

2,255
Medical consultations by ADES and MSF France

126,499
Hot meals distributed on 5 sites by CRT
OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS:

7,950 people, or 1,879 families, received a registration bracelet (fixing) allowing them to access emergency assistance. The distribution of bracelets has been conducted at 8 sites and is now complete (Oundouma 5,054; Tchidam Gangang 7; Tchidam Borno 4; Bourgouma-01 1,080; Bourgouma-02 373; Ngama Kotoko 884; Ngama Sara 429; Sama Cale 111).

On 31 August, the refugee pre-registration exercise could start. In three days, 1,275 individuals, or 329 families, were registered. Since the beginning of the intervention, the Red Cross of Chad (CRT) has distributed 126,499 hot meals (84,158 more in one week). The mobile clinics treated 2,255 patients (1,767 more in one week). 30 latrines / showers have been set up, 20 in Oundouma, 6 in Ngama Kotoko and 4 in Bourgouma-01. 10 community sheds were built, 8 in Oundouma, 2 in Ngama Kotoko and 2 in Bourgouma-01. 4 midwives are providing assistance to pregnant women and 1,000 dignity kits have been distributed. Children's play activities were organised in Oundouma and Ngama Kotoko and 195 toys (balloons, cars, animals, etc.) were distributed to refugee children.

COORDINATION:

A first multi-agency mission led by CNARR was jointly organised with UNHCR, the Red Cross of Chad (CRT) and ADES on 14 August 2021.

A second multi-agency mission to the Oundouma site was organised on 20 August 2021. It brought together CNARR, UNHCR, WFP, UNICEF, UNFPA, OCHA, MSF, CRT, ADES, IRC, CRT and ECHO.

A coordination meeting chaired by CNARR and co-chaired by UNHCR takes place every Thursday at UNHCR's premises in N'Djamena and brings together CNARR, UNHCR's technical sectors, and partners working in the field. A weekly coordination meeting with partners is also taking place in Koundoul.

A mapping of interventions and needs by assistance activity in the field of health and nutrition was developed with partners on site.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE BY SECTOR:

REGISTRATION

Pre-registration (level 1) of refugees who received an identification bracelet began on 31 August. Refugees answer a short questionnaire on their specific needs as well as their intention to return. In three days, 1,275 people were registered in 4 villages, of which 59% were women (747) and 41% men (528).

In the male group, 83% are minors under the age of 18 (438) and 17% are adults (90). In the female group, 68% are minors under the age of 18 (508) and 32% are adults (239).

Of this population, which represents 329 families, 73% (239) say they want to return to their country of origin, and 27% (90) say they prefer not to return.
Child protection, including recreational activities

As part of the emergency response for newly arrived refugee children in the Koundoul sub-prefecture/Chari Baguirmi province, the NGO CHAILD carried out a rapid assessment of child protection needs at the Oundouma and Ngama Kotoko sites on 31 August 2021.

Play activities were organised and 195 toys (balloons, cars, animals, etc.) were distributed.

HEALTH / NUTRITION

The activities implemented as part of the Health/Nutrition emergency response are:

- **Sexual and reproductive health care** is provided by 4 midwives mobilised by UNFPA and 1,000 dignity kits have been distributed as a priority to pregnant women or women who have given birth.

- **Four mobile health clinics** are active and offer consultations to refugees and the host population. Among these mobile clinics, two teams have been set up by ADES and cover the sites of Ngama Sara, Sama Cale, Bourgouma 1, Bourgouma 2, Tchidam Gangang and Liberia. The other two teams, initially set up by MSF France, are now under the responsibility of IRC and cover the Oundouma and Ngama Kotoko sites. MSF France withdrew from the emergency response on 30 August and transferred its activities to IRC.

- On 1 September 2021, 7,000 MILDA long-acting impregnated mosquito nets were sent for distribution to the various reception sites. These nets will be distributed to refugees and host populations.

Between 23 and 29 August 2021, 1,767 medical consultations were carried out. These concern 1,121 refugees (63%) and 646 people among the host populations (37%). **Malaria remains the main cause for seeking care with 1,341 cases**, or 76% of consultations during the week. A live birth was also registered in Oundouma, at the UNFPA maternal health post.

Regarding the handover of MSF's activities to IRC, the modalities were agreed during bilateral discussions between the two organisations. A handover was made in the villages of Oundouma and Ngama Kotoko, on Monday, 30 August 2021, in the presence of the managers of the 2 organisations, the Chief Medical Officer of the Mandelia District, the UNHCR Emergency Health Response Coordinating Doctor and local authorities.

Since 31 August 2021, IRC has been managing two mobile clinics with additional activities in the management of malnutrition at the community level, the management of referrals, the support of existing
structures (Ngama Kotoko centre, Mandelia District), the rehabilitation and construction of boreholes in the host villages and the distribution of hygiene kits.

An immunisation planning mission was carried out by the WHO/Chari Baguirmi consultant, UNICEF/Chari Baguirmi C4D consultant and the Mandelia District Area Chief for an imminent vaccination.

Regarding disease prevention and vaccination, a mass vaccination campaign in 3 antigens recommended in refugee influx situations – polio (from 0 to 15 years), measles and meningitis (from 6 months to 15 years) – is being prepared in collaboration with WHO and C4D UNICEF consultants from Chari Baguirmi. The villages of Ngama Kotoko and Oundouma have been visited, and a preparatory meeting is scheduled for Friday, 3 September, in Mandelia to put in place a strategy.

FOOD SECURITY

Between 26 and 31 August, the Red Cross of Chad (CRT) distributed 84,158 hot meals to refugees and the host population: 60,876 in Oundouma; 9,468 in Ngama Kotoko; 7,074 in Ngama Sara and Sama Cale; and 6,740 in Bourgouma-1.

On 30 August, an agreement was signed between the World Food Programme (WFP), UNHCR and the CRT to prepare the distribution of dry food to 7,950 refugees (the number of refugees who received an identification bracelet during the “fixing” exercise). This food aid is planned for a period of 15 days, and the distribution, provided by the CRT, will begin on 4 September.
Food aid distribution table (source: WFP)

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**COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE**

Construction of **10 community sheds**, which began on 19 August, has been completed. 8 have been set up in Oundouma and two others in Ngama Kotoko. Two additional hangars are being built in Bourgouma 1.

**WATER, HYGIENE AND SANITATION**

30 latrines coupled to showers were built by the partner CRT: 20 in Oundouma, 6 in Ngama Kotoko, 4 in Bourgouma.

The CRT also helped set up tents for the Health/Nutrition care posts. 6 tents have been set up: 3 in Oundouma, 2 in Ngama Kotoko and 1 in Bourgouma.
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