

Dadaab, Kenya

01-15 August 2018

The first camp in Dadaab was established in **1991**. There are **3** camps in Dadaab: **Hagadera, Dagahaley and Ifo**.

Kambioos refugee camp was **closed on 31st March 2017** and **Ifo2** camp was closed on **31st May 2018**.

Since **December 2014**, Somali refugees who decide to voluntarily return to their home country, receive UNHCR support in Kenya and Somalia.

VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION FROM DADAAB

78,176

Somali refugees have returned home since **December 2014**

58%

Percentage of Dadaab population are **children**

209,239

Total Dadaab population as at **15 July 2018**

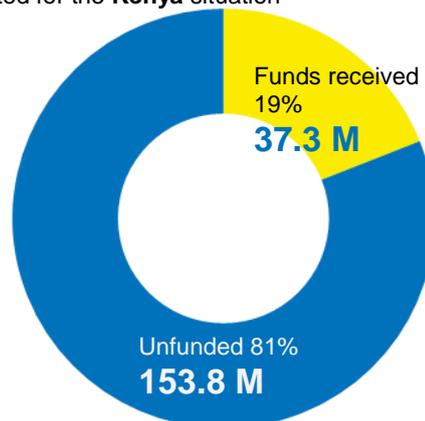
65,061

Refugee children are **enrolled in school** in Dadaab camps

FUNDING (AS AT 15 AUGUST 2018)

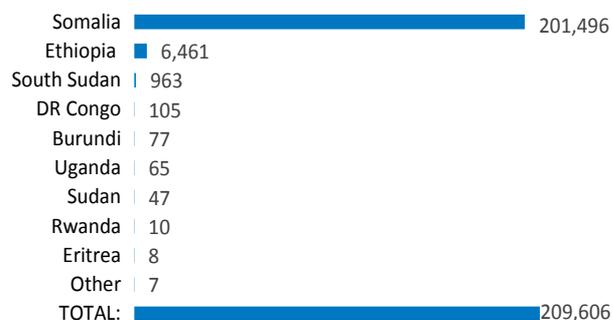
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POPULATION OF CONCERN AS AT 15 AUGUST

Country of Origin



Voluntary Repatriation

- During the reporting period, movements were organized for a total of 71 Somali refugees to return to Mogadishu, by air. Since the start of the voluntary repatriation process of Somali refugees from Kenya to Somalia in December 2014, 78,176 persons have been supported from Dadaab operation, and 82,059 in total from Kenya. In 2018 alone, 5,464 individuals from Dadaab have been assisted to return, with the majority returning to Kismayu and Mogadishu.
- On 15 August, a total of 165 returnees in 46 households were assisted to return to Somalia, by road. The monthly interagency voluntary repatriation task force meeting was held on 9 August to discuss among other things the significant reduction in numbers.

Camp Consolidation

- The last refugee families were relocated from Ifo2 on May 29th, 2018. In that regard, Ifo2 Camp is considered closed as of 31st May, 2018.
- During the week, 1,388 additional shelter materials were distributed in both Dagahaley and Ifo. Supplier is continue delivering the materials in batches.
- The progress made in regards to availability of shelter, latrine, water and education services at the receiving camps, shows a steady integration of the Ifo2 refugees. Shelter construction progressed from 55% to 78%, latrine completed has remained at 80% and water has 100% coverage. Environmental rehabilitation was stalled due to funding shortfalls but planting of trees in the new settlements is ongoing.



Ifo 2 camp of Dadaab closed on 31st May 2018. © UNHCR/Assadullah Nasrullah

PROTECTION

Registration

- The total number of unregistered persons jointly profiled by UNHCR and Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) across the three camps stand at 10,119 individuals. 9,738 individuals are from Somalia while 354 are from other countries. Among them, 1,720 individuals were assisted to voluntarily return to Somalia from Dadaab (1,694) and Kakuma (26) Camps.
- During the reporting period, a total number of 329 new born babies were registered and issued with the birth certificates and 4 individuals registered on protection ground (1 individuals registered as In-situ and 3 as new arrivals). 205 individuals were reactivated in UNHCR database to get access to assistance.

Individual Case Management

- A total of 195 were attended to, during the period under review. The cases were mainly related to new arrival registration; camp transfers; card mergers and splits; reactivation; insecurity; follow up on the status of resettlement cases; general assistance (food tokens, shelter, CRIs) and requests for assistance with change of individual process status in ProGres, after clearance from office of the District County Commissioner. Counselling was done and referrals made to relevant units and partner agencies for assistance as appropriate.

Child Protection

- **ECHO Mission: The Mission** visited Dagahaley camp and had discussions with Unaccompanied and Separated Children as well as with community structures under Save the Children projects. They highlighted the support received from Humanitarian Agencies including material support and trainings as well as the challenges they face including inadequate materials, stigma and discrimination, unregistered children among others.
- **Coordination on legal processes:** A meeting was held with RCK to discuss the legal process of custody cases pending their follow up in court and the support provided to individuals attending court. It was recommended that RCK fast track pending cases and establish a coordinated follow up process with the police and colleagues at Garissa. This will provide efficient referral and financial support mechanism between RCK, UNHCR and the persons of Concern.
- **Coordination on CPIMS+ and proGres V 4 roll out:** A conference call with UNHCR Child Protection colleagues from Nairobi, Kakuma, Regional Service Centre and CP/GBV DIP Focal persons from Headquarters was held to discuss the linkages between CPIMS and proGres v4. This was in preparation for a meeting scheduled with UNICEF CP officers and CP partners to discuss the CPIMS+ roll out in Dadaab. Several matters were discussed in relation to coordination between UNICEF and UNHCR, linkages between CPIMS+ and proGres V4, the needs assessment for CP partners, provision of machines and training, funding/budgeting for the process etc. A follow up meeting was held with UNICEF CP Officers, UNHCR colleagues from Regional Service Centre and CP/GBV DIP Focal persons from Headquarters to discuss CPIM+ roll out in Dadaab. Issued discussed included: the interoperability between CPIMS+ and proGres V4; which database to use for CP case management (though this has not been agreed upon until an assessment is conducted); funding; training; procurement of equipment for the roll out (UNICEF has committed to providing this); and ensuring proper coordination between UNHCR, UNICEF and CP partners. A third follow up meeting was proposed to discuss further the issues raised and the same will provide more updates and way forward.

- **Coordination with Tdh:** On 8th August, UNHCR held a brief meeting with Tdh acting country Representative and CP Senior Officer to discuss coordination between UNHCR and Tdh, implementation of CP project activities and the general overview of the Tdh programs in Dadaab. She was informed of the just concluded joint monitoring assessment conducted, identified need to support girl mothers, focus on prevention rather than response, the need to establish livelihood and sustainable project for beneficiary due to reduced funding and other attendant issues.
- **BID panel:** A meeting was held by SCI, Tdh, HI, SCCO, RCK and UNHCR to discuss 2 voluntary repatriation cases, 2 protection cases and 4 resettlement cases. Appropriate recommendations were agreed upon with follow up and monitoring scheduled.
- **Child Protection Working Group Meeting (CPWG):** CPWG members met to discuss prevention and response to child labour in the camp and in attendance was RCK, HI, SCCO, DRC, TDH, NRC and UNHCR. The SCCO gave a briefing on the government responsibility to handle child labour issues, its mandate with the Area Advisory Committee (AAC) and forms of child labour. Members agreed to conduct an interagency Child Labour Survey to ascertain facts on the magnitude of the problem and forms of child Labour in Dadaab. A small task force comprising of SCCO, DRC, TDH, SC, RCK and UNHCR was constituted to prepare the concept, Terms of Reference, work plan, budget and timeline. They will meet on 22nd August and later share the document with the entire CPWG for further discussion before sharing with the AAC and Camp leadership.

Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV)

- **Prevention of SGBV against minors:** The office attended and provided technical support to a child protection training for hotel and bar owners in Garissa to sensitize them on ways of eliminating child prostitution and abuse in their premises. It was agreed that owners would register their business associations and come up with standard operating procedures for booking customers who must provide national identity cards and marriage certificates where necessary to eliminate abuse of children.
- **SGBV coordination meetings:** The monthly meetings were held in Dagahaley and Ifo where partners provided updates on planned activities and SGBV trends. The major concerns raised was the decision to not issue food tokens to those who went on voluntary repatriation and returned to the camp as this might affect the vulnerable persons including persons living with disabilities and the elderly.
- **Engaging Men in Accountable Practices (EMAP):** An EMAP introductory meeting for a new group of men was held in Hagadera for 30 new participants, 40 community leaders and partners. The main topics of discussion were on the importance of EMAP, inefficiency of Maslaha and attitude/behavioral change.
- **Coordination on prevention and response to SGBV in Garissa County:** UNHCR Garissa took part in the formation of a Gender Technical Working Group and Technical Operation Committee in Garissa county whose objective is to enhance coordination and offer strategic leadership for all matters of gender and gender based violence in Garissa township, Balambala, Fafi, Ijara, Dadaab, Hulugho, Lagdera and also covers the refugee program. The technical working group will oversee matters of gender inclusivity in all spheres and adherence to the spirit of the Kenyan Constitution, it will also ensure multi-sectoral approach in designing and implementation of preventive and responsive interventions in Gender Based Violence in the county. Additionally, the working group will advocate for gender equality and equity for all, especially marginalised groups such as women, elderly, and those labelled differently within the local community and the refugee population.

Stakeholders will collect, consolidate, analyse and documents gender and gender based data to inform decisions in designing and implementation of gender based violence programming in the county.

Persons with Specific Needs

- **Support to persons living with disabilities:** PLWDs in Hagadera were attended to through assessments, physiotherapy, occupational therapy and physiotherapy, referrals including for psychosocial support, repair and provision of assistive and mobility devices, booking for various devices and trainings on mobility. 7 (6F, 1M)PoCs were referred to IRC and supported with NFIs including mattresses, mosquito nets and soap while other PoCs were referred to other agencies for different assistance/services.
- **Support to elderly persons:** Elderly persons across the 3 camps were attended to at the field offices and at block level through assessments, case management, counselling, referrals, home visits and follow up. Concerns raised by the elderly include lack of shelter, latrines and lack of non-food material support such as mattresses, blankets and mosquito nets.
- **Support to LGBTI persons:** LGBTI persons received consumables for health promotion.
- **Support to inactive and most vulnerable PoCs:** Community Based Protection team and LWF compiled a list of 402 most vulnerable and inactivate PoCs for further follow up across the camps. The same was shared with the Field Focal Person to be considered for NFI assistance and Registration Unit for verification and reactivation consideration.
- **Elderly Persons coordination meeting:** The monthly meeting was held with the elderly camp committee, HI, LWF, RCK, KCRS and RAS and the major issues raised included poor service delivery to the elderly and PLWDs. This was attributed to lack of proactive response to their plight including but not limited to lack of NFI and shelter distribution for elderly persons following the floods, difficulties in accessing Refugee ID cards, lack of livelihood interventions and lack of medical attention and medicine from the KCRS Medical Partners.
- **Case Conferences:** CBP and PDU participated in the IFO- MFT Case Conferencing for a joint interagency approach to discuss various protection interventions for 4 cases with longstanding protection concerns. In Hagadera camp, CBP participated in an Inter-agency Case conference meeting and out of a total of 10 cases discussed, 2 were closed.



EDUCATION

- Schools closed on 3rd August 2018 and will be open on 27th August 2018. A number of class 8 candidates missed out on end of term 2 exams and a mapping exercise to identify students and find out reasons is ongoing.
- **Coordination with Ministry of Education:** A delegation of 8 members from the Ministry of Education (MoE) visited Dadaab on fact a finding mission together with representatives from the Directorate of Policy and Planning, UNHCR and UNICEF Nairobi. The objective of the mission was to evaluate camp so as to inform a Refugee Education Policy document being jointly developed by UNHCR and MoE as well as in an effort to mainstream refugee education in the National Education Strategic Sector Plan (NESSP). The team visited 4 schools (2 from the host and two from refugee camps) and conducted focus group discussions with teachers, parents, students, Sub-County Director for Education as well as partners implementing education in Dadaab. A second delegation from MoE Directorate of Education in Emergencies visited Dadaab to monitor and understand a program supported by Girls Education Challenge under DFID. The team paid a courtesy call to

UNHCR Education Office in Dadaab and discussed girls' education issues with partners implementing primary and secondary education.

- WUSC Scholarships (Complementary pathways): 16 students from Dadaab refugee camps (6F) will be traveling to Canada on scholarship to begin their studies on the 21st August. These are the top performing students in KCSE. The Scholarship comes with a resettlement package and will go a long way in changing the lives of refugees by achieving quality tertiary education.
- Teachers training: ECDE Diploma and Certificate Training for 61 sponsored teachers kicked off In Ifo.
- Support to extra curricula activities: AVSI in collaboration with LWF undertook a 2 day scouts training involving teachers and students



HEALTH

- Cholera outbreak control is ongoing since the first case was identified on 11th March 2018. Ever since the outbreak was declared, a total of 1,268 suspected cases have been line-listed. In total 11 mortality cases were registered (6 in Dagahaley and 5 in Hagadera), translating to Case Fatality Rate of 0.87%. The number of new admissions significantly decreased with only one case reporter during the last week on July.
- Rapid Result Initiative (RRI): Following a presidential directive, Garissa County embarked on 100 days of a Rapid Result Initiative (RRI). The RRI is meant to scale up immunization for all missed opportunities and considering the geographical uniqueness of the area, the county administration was encouraged to put more efforts to achieve the Rapid Result Initiative goals including an immunization programme that targets more than 12,300 children under the age of five years in the county. UNHCR was able to participate in the Garissa County launch prepared by the Health Department.



COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF RELIANCE

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DURABLE SOLUTIONS

Resettlement

- During the reporting period, a total of a cases comprising of 3 individuals underwent resettlement case composition interviews. Additionally, 2 cases comprising of 10 individuals were updated as per request by resettlement country.
- Since January 2018, a total of 109 cases consisting of 442 individuals have been submitted for resettlement to various resettlement countries. Specifically, 52 cases comprising of 184 individuals to UK, 41 cases comprising of 186 individuals to Canada, 15 cases consisting of 65 individuals to Drafting of RRFs. During the period a total of 23 cases consisting of 44 individuals was interviewed and assessed for possible submission to Sweden.

- **Submissions:** Since the beginning of the year, a total of 109 cases consisting of 442 individuals have been submitted for resettlement consideration. Specifically, 52 cases comprising of 184 individuals to UK, 41 cases comprising of 186 individuals to Canada, 15 cases consisting of 65 individuals to Australia and 1 case consisting of 8 individuals to the Regional Service Center for emergency departure. During the month of August, the RST Unit will complete interviews and submissions for 144 individuals to be submitted to Sweden.
- **US RSC Pre-Screening Circuit Ride Mission:** The mission arrived in Dadaab on 8th August and are expected to interview a total number of 122 refugees (Congolese, Ethiopians, Eritreans and Burundians) by 22 August. No Somali refugees will be interviewed during the present RSC mission.
- **Complementary pathways:** RST Unit began active engagement in implementing complementary pathways for refugees through different programs sponsored by Canada, specifically one for LGBTI refugees and one for refugees with chronic diseases. Resettlement in Dadaab remains a durable solution available for a very limited number of refugees due to extremely limited number of countries showing interest in Somali refugee population (accounting for more than 95% of total Dadaab population)



WATER AND SANITATION

- UNHCR's WASH unit together with the WASH partner agency CARE provided water, sanitation, and hygiene services to the entire refugee population living in three Dadaab Refugee Camps.
- During the reporting period, UNHCR supplied on average 31.5 liters of water per day per capita to the entire refugee population in the three Dadaab camps. The water supply schemes convey water to 38 tanks with a total storage capacity of 4,550 m³, distributed through a pipeline network of 233.7 km and relayed to 661 tap stands with about 2,714 taps, located within the three camps.



Refugees collect water from one the water distribution points in Dagahaley camp of Dadaab.

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

The Dadaab refugee operations are coordinated by UNHCR Sub-Office Dadaab, which also serves the three camps in Dadaab Sub-County. UNHCR Field Office Alinjugur is part of the larger Dadaab operation and covers Hagadera camp in Fafi Sub-County. Both UNHCR offices cooperate closely with

NGOs and other international organizations including WFP, UNICEF and IOM. The main government counterparts are the Deputy County Commissioner (DCC) Office and Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS).

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