Kakuma Camp & Kalobeyei Settlement, Kenya
1 – 30 November 2019

193,492 Refugees and asylum seekers registered in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement as of 30 September 2019.

13,201 New arrivals refugees and asylum seekers registered in 2019.

9,024 Newly arrived refugees from South Sudan registered in 2019.

FUNDING (AS OF 26 NOVEMBER 2019)
USD 170.0 M
Requested for the Kenya Operation

Funded 54% 91.1 M
Unfunded 46% 78.9 M

HIGHLIGHTS
Refugee learner among the top 1% best students in Kenya national examinations

KEY INDICATORS
7,779 Bank accounts opened to facilitate Cash Assistance for refugees in Kalobeyei Settlement since June 2018.

415M Amount in Kenya Shillings distributed through UNHCR’s Cash Based Intervention since June 2018.

Madhieu Akol Bol, from South Sudan, emerged the best refugee student, in Turkana West, in the 2019 Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE) with 400 marks out of the possible 500. Only one percent of the 1 million learners tested in 2019 scored 400 marks and above with the overall best student scoring 440 marks.
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Update on Achievements

Highlights

A thousand babies delivered successfully at refugee settlement’s health clinic:
The delivery of baby Irakozi marks the thousandth successful delivery at the state-of-the-art maternity wing of Kalobeyei health clinic in northeastern Kenya this year. The 33-bed capacity facility runs on a clean solar energy system funded by the European Union and is equipped with a new born unit with three incubators that can admit pre-term babies, up to 28 days old. Refugees and the local community alike have 24-hour access to the facility where, over 2,000 deliveries have been done since it started operations in 2018. https://twitter.com/UNHCR_Kenya/status/1196379423894847488?s=09

UNHCR Head of Sub Office, Ignazio Matteini, congratulates baby Irakozi’s mother moments after delivery at the Kalobeyei Health Clinic in village 1. Photo: UNHCR / Samuel

UNHCR conducts intention return survey for South Sudanese refugees in urban areas: UNHCR conducted an intention return survey for South Sudanese refugees living in urban centres covered by Sub Office Kakuma (SOK). The survey started on 4 November and was complete on 14 November 2019. These areas include Bungoma, Trans Nzoia, Uasin Gishu and Kitale.

Global Compact on Refugee (GCR): UNHCR Kakuma office participated in the “delivering the GCR – local approaches to inclusion” conference in Addis Ababa. The aim of the conference was to strengthen cross-country sharing of experiences from the Horn of Africa and to identify forward looking opportunities to achieve the objectives of the GCR, to complement the IGAD Nairobi Action Plan and to support the preparation of the Global Refugee Forum which will be held on 17-18 December 2019. The event was organized by the Ethiopian Ministry of Peace in partnership with the Danish Government and UNHCR.
Missions

- 1 November 2019: Mission by UNESCO in support of setting up digital libraries for refugees and the host community.
- 6 November 2019: Mission by Ethiopian Ambassador to Kenya.
- 18 November 2019: Mission by the Big Heart Foundation.

Achievements

PROTECTION

Achievements and Impact

- **Registration**: 13,201 newly arrived refugees have been registered since the beginning of January 2019, of whom 9,024 are refugees from South Sudan.
- **Voluntary Repatriation (VolRep)**: Cumulatively, 312 individuals have been assisted to return through the VolRep programme in 2019 of which 151 individuals returned to Somalia and 156 individuals to Burundi and 5 individuals returned to Ethiopia.
- **Resettlement**: Cumulatively, 329 cases of 1,404 individuals have been submitted for resettlement consideration in Canada, United Kingdom, Sweden, USA, and Australia. Additionally, 1,009 individuals have departed for resettlement to the USA, Canada, Australia and Sweden in 2019.
- **Complementary pathways**: Since January 2019, UNHCR has facilitated 145 cases comprising of 346 individuals for resettlement through UNHCR’s complementary pathways.

EDUCATION

Achievements and Impact

- 1,356 (362 female) form four candidates from both Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement sat for National Examinations, to attain the Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE).
- Quarterly Meeting for Kalobeyei primary schools Board of Management Members (24 male and 17 female) was held to deliberate and chaired by Turkana West Sub-County Quality Assurance and Standards Officer. The meeting covered the
following areas; Determine school missions and visions for effective management of school resources and curriculum implementation. 2. Detect unethical practices and guide the school community in upholding ethical practices in the schools. 3. Understand benefits of quality service and examine the challenges faced by education management regarding public relations.

- 5 fabricated containers were distributed to 5 primary schools in Kakuma. The containers will be used as offices in some schools and stores in others.
- Turkana County Education Department led by County Director of Education conducted infrastructural assessment of Kakuma refugee camp schools. The assessment focused on state of classrooms, WASH facilities, school administration offices, boarding facilities and accessibility to children with disabilities
- Training of 320 girls and 320 boys on Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) and Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) respectively was conducted.
- 56 teachers from NRC and 50 from LWF undertook a 5-day training on the implementation of the new Competency Based Curriculum.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Inadequate facilities (classrooms, toilets, desks, WASH and play facilities) leading to school congestion and inability to enrol out-of-school children.
- An insufficient number of teachers including a low number of female teachers, limited training opportunities, and low remuneration and motivation, which affects education quality.
- Need for continuous training of ECD and Primary school teachers on the new Competency Based Curriculum.

Shelter and CBI

Achievements and Impact

- A total of 172 transitional shelters were constructed for 817 newly arrived refugees in Kakuma refugee camp.
- In Kalobeyei, 417 households commenced converting their 623 transitional shelters (196 double and 231 Standard) to permanent houses. Additionally, construction of 80 permanent houses for the host community commenced in Kalobeyei town.
- During the reporting period, 111 shelter cases were reported though I-monitor, assessed and repaired. A cumulative of 689 shelter cases have since been solved using I-monitor in 2019.
- A total of 557 Household Latrines have been constructed while 1,578 households are currently digging their pits in readiness for construction. The construction is scheduled for the month of December 2019.
UNHCR supports beneficiaries in Kalobeyei through cash transfers to cover needs of sanitary items on a monthly basis. In 2019 (Jan-Nov), on average, 6,418 households (32,712 individuals) received the cash assistance. A total of 89,178,400 KES was distributed to cover the costs of 206MT of soap, 98,867 underwear and 98,867 sanitary napkins.

Cumulatively, 1,419 households have constructed a total of 2,109 permanent houses in Kalobeyei settlement through UNHCR’s Cash for Shelter programme.

**Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps**

- Need for the construction of adequate permanent homes for the over 5,000 families who are currently living in temporary shelters in Kalobeyei settlement.

**ACCESS TO ENERGY**

**Achievements and Impact**

- A total of 2,253 Maendeleo Energy Saving Stoves Distributed were distributed in November 2019.

- 1,553 Metric Tons of Firewood was distributed in November to General Population in Kakuma Camp, Camp Schools and the Transit & Reception centers.

- 32,280 tree seedlings were produced cumulatively in all the tree nurseries and 24,038 tree seedlings were distributed to the refugee community, institutions, green belts and host community.

- So far 120 connections to Solar Mini-grid have been made in Kalobeyei Town and 415 connections made in Kalobeyei Settlement. There is currently a high energy demand from the unconnected areas, hence a plan is in place to extend the power connections to cover all of Village 1 and gradually cover Village 2 & Village 3.

**Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps**

- Households continue to rely predominantly on firewood, charcoal, paraffin and basic solar lanterns for their cooking and lighting needs respectively, with firewood being the main source of energy.

- The availability of affordable and reliable electricity has the potential to stimulate economic growth that will have beneficial spill-over effects that could potentially increase individual revenue hence a higher disposable income.

**FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION**

**Achievements and Impact**

- Sub Office Kakuma is conducting an annual Health and nutrition SENS survey that will provide information on the health and nutritional status of the beneficiaries from both Kakuma and Kalobeyei.
Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Food assistance remains far from meeting Recommended Daily Intake of the population and leads to deteriorating nutrition status especially among young children and women.

HEALTH

Achievements and Impact

- In response to a recent cholera outbreak, UNHCR and Health partners have set up two Cholera Treatment Centres in Kalobeyei settlement and Kakuma camp.
- As of 30 November 2019, 67 patients had been line-listed and treated including 58 from Kakuma camp, 8 from surrounding host community villages including 2 from Kakuma town, and 1 from Kalobeyei settlement.
- Health situation in Kakuma and Kalobeyei is stable with crude and under five mortality of 0.2/1000/month and 0.6/1000/month which are within UNHCR standards of 0.8/1000/month and 1.5/1000/month respectively.
- To support improvement current Refugee Health Information System (RHIS), Public Health section in Geneva conducted a mission to Kakuma in November 2019. RHIF allows for collection of surveillance data digitally at all health facilities with automated generation of reports to enable faster decision making.

COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF RELIANCE

Achievements and Impact

- The Global Entrepreneurship Week celebrations brought together over 200 refugee and host entrepreneurs in Kakuma and Kalobeyei to strengthen partnerships among actors in the business ecosystem. The exercise documented gaps and opportunities with potential solutions entrepreneurs are keen to implement.
- Jointly with livelihoods partners, UNHCR completed a market assessment aimed at linking anticipated pilot project on solar energy products with digital marketing agents.
- Water Sector Trust Fund finalized the selection of livelihoods partners who will implement livelihoods (agriculture) from December 2019.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- There is inadequate access to credit facilities by refugees, which limits the growth of existing businesses and limits opportunities for new businesses.
WATER AND SANITATION

Achievements and Impact

- 19 boreholes remain operational and are supplying water to the population in Kakuma and Kalobeyei. The average per capita consumption stood at 19.28 litres and 17.55 litres per person per day in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement respectively.
- Water quality monitoring enhanced following the cholera outbreak, emphasis placed on tap-stands and in household where the FRC level is below 0.2mg/l.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- More resources needed for the construction of household latrines to replace the current communal latrines in Kalobeyei settlement and improve the overall latrine coverage.

Working in partnership

UNHCR continues to work closely with the Government of Kenya through the office of the Deputy County Commissioner (DCC), Turkana County Government, the Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS), and partners to ensure support to refugees and asylum seekers. Monthly Inter-Agency meetings chaired by UNHCR and RAS continue to be held including meetings with refugee representatives in the camp and settlement.

To implement different sectors, since beginning of the year UNHCR signed Partner Project Agreement (PPAs) with 18 implementing Partners, (8 NNGOs and 9 INGOs) as well as a Bipartite Agreement with RAS. In addition, another 12 operational partners also implement activities with their own financial resources to compliment UNHCR efforts in ensuring support to refugees and asylum seekers.

Financial Information

Total recorded contributions for the Kenya Operation amounts to $91.1 million USD.

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