

Kenya

01 –31 March 2018

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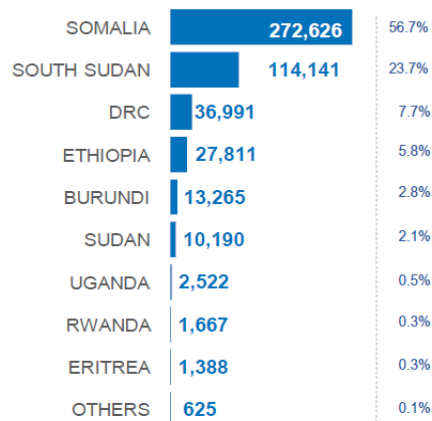
78,088 Somalis have been assisted to return to Somalia under the voluntary repatriation programme since 2014, 2,791 of them in 2018

226,543 (47%) refugees reside in Dadaab, 187,013 (39%), in Kakuma & Kalobeyei Settlement and 67,670 (14%) in Nairobi.

POPULATION OF CONCERN

481,226 refugees and asylum-seekers as of 31 March 2018.

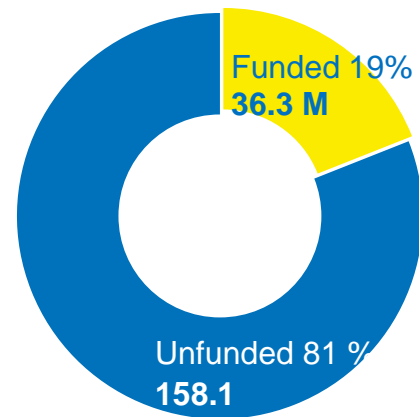
COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN



FUNDING (AS OF 10 APRIL 2018)

USD 194.4 million

requested for the Kenya operation



UNHCR PRESENCE

Staff:

353 National Staff

63 International Staff

Offices:

1 Branch Office in Nairobi

1 Field Offices in Alinjugur

2 Sub Office in Dadaab and Kakuma



Working with Partners

- The Dadaab refugee operations are coordinated by UNHCR Sub-Office Dadaab, which also serves the three camps in Dadaab Sub-County. UNHCR Field Office Alinjugar 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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- UNHCR continues to work closely with the Government of Kenya, the Turkana County Government through the Office of the Deputy County Commissioner (DCC), 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 monthly meetings with refugee representatives in the camp.
- UNHCR continued to hold a joint protection desk with Kenya Refugee Affairs Secretariat (RAS) at the refugee processing center in Shauri Moyo, Nairobi.

Main Activities

Protection

Protection Delivery

- About 9,600 Ethiopian asylum seekers fled to Moyale in March due to internal violence. By the end of March some had spontaneously returned to Ethiopia. The asylum seekers continue to receive humanitarian assistance.
- Since the beginning of January 2018, 71 cases from Kakuma, comprising of 284 individuals have been submitted for resettlement consideration in third countries, including 49 cases comprising of 260 individuals submitted to Australia.
- Cumulatively, 26 cases comprising of 68 individuals from Kakuma have departed for resettlement in third countries mainly Canada, Australia and the United States of America in 2018.
- A Best Interest Determination (BID) panel was held in Dadaab to discuss 40 cases (21 voluntary Repatriation cases, 15 resettlement cases and 4 protection cases) and appropriate recommendations made including follow up, monitoring and coordination with respective partners.

Registration

- The e-filing project to digitize PoCs files, which commenced in February 2018, continued smoothly. 13,000 files have been digitized by end of March.
- 2,163 new arrivals were registered in March 2018 - 1,053 in Kakuma, 1,110 in Nairobi, and none in Dadaab.
- RAS with the support of UNHCR commenced biometrics registration of asylum seekers in Moyale.
- As at 31st March 2018, 151,675 individuals (out of 192,493 individuals over the age of 5) had been enrolled into BIMS in Dadaab.
- A total of 7,553 unregistered persons have been jointly profiled by UNHCR and RAS across the 4 camps in Dadaab since the exercise begun. (7,288 individuals are from Somalia while 265 are from other countries).

Capacity Development

- Registration training was conducted for newly recruited staff who had joined the RAS registration team at the Refugee Reception Centre in Shauri Moyo, Nairobi.
- A three day protection training was conducted in Dadaab for Government officials and NGO case workers. The need to conduct the refresher training arose from identified gaps within the sectors and from the need to implement the commitments towards fighting SGBV as captured in the comprehensive refugee response framework (CRRF).

Education

- 33 individuals in Kakuma, comprising of head teachers and education staff, attended a 2-day training in Lokichoggio on Education Units, Child Protection, Security and MEAL.
- A taskforce mandated by the County Government to analyse the ailing state of education and human resource in the County and suggest sustainable solutions visited Dadaab and held a series of meetings with agencies implementing education programmes. The delegation administered a questionnaire to all Education Partners to provide information to the County on the strategic direction aimed at improving education standards in the county.

Food Security and Nutrition

- 'Bamba chakula' prequalified vendors in Kalobeyei settlement carried out distribution of CSB++ for blanket supplementary feeding program targeting children of age category 6 to 23 months.
- 683 pregnant and lactating women were enrolled into the blanket supplementary feeding program at various health facilities in Kakuma.

- 676 children with moderate malnutrition were enrolled into the supplementary feeding program and 316 children with severe malnutrition enrolled into the Kakuma outpatient therapeutic feeding program.
- Food assistance remains far from meeting Recommended Daily Intake of the refugee population leading to deteriorating nutrition status especially among young children and women.
- The general food distribution for March was done in Dadaab. A total of 223,206 Individuals (50,901 households), representing, 97% of the targeted population across all four camps collected their food rations.

Water and Sanitation

- The average per capita consumption of water stood at 19.9 Litres of water per person per day in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement. Per capita consumption was recorded at 22.07 and 17.71 litres per person per day in Kakuma camp and Kalobeyei settlement respectively.
- UNHCR supplied 30.8 liters of water per day per capita from 27 boreholes to the entire refugee population in the four Dadaab camps. 26 of these boreholes operate on Solar PV- Diesel hybrid system.

Shelter and NFIs

- Refugees in Kalobeyei have benefited from the construction of 340 permanent homes. UNHCR's partner, Peace Winds Japan has completed the construction of 36 houses against a target of 486 in 2018.
- Close to 8,000 families currently living in temporary shelters in Kalobeyei settlement are in need of permanent shelter.

Access to Energy

- 25,410 Solar Lanterns have been distributed under the IKEA Foundation Brighter Lives for Refugees project to the refugees and host community members in Kakuma and Kalobeyei. The project is still ongoing.
- 1,152 cook stoves have been produced since the beginning of the year 2018, out of which 349 have been distributed to the new arrivals settled in Kalobeyei, the new arrivals settled in Kakuma, to the older caseloads in Kakuma and to the Host Community.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

- UNHCR met with Housing Foundation (HF) to discuss a potential partnership for internship for refugees in the construction field.
- 75 (40 coaches and 35 referees) refugee football coaches and referees in Kakuma, have received training in their respective fields through the Football Kenya Federation (FKF) and are now included in the countries list of referees and football coaches.

- 159 (93 male, 66 female) students completed ICT trainings and sat for exams administered by the Computer Society of Kenya. Students who pass the examinations will be awarded certificates from the Computer Society of Kenya.

Community Services

- UNHCR, in collaboration with RAS and partners held an outreach forum in Eastleigh attended by 470 PoCs mainly Somalis, Ethiopians and Eritrean. The main issues raised during the forum included documentation, RSD and delays in provision of refugee ID cards which expose PoCs to risks of arbitrary arrests and detention, as well as the lack of information on access to basic services.

Durable Solutions

Voluntary Repatriation

- In Nairobi, UNHCR and DRC conducted a voluntary repatriation outreach forum in Eastleigh. Approximately 60 Somalis attended. The refugees indicated desire to return to Somalia but had concerns regarding access to education, healthcare and livelihoods as well as insecurity in Somalia.
- 484 refugees comprising of 143 households were assisted to voluntarily repatriate to Somalia. 329 persons travelled by road convoy to Kismayu while 155 travelled by flight to Mogadishu. 2,947 have been facilitated to return in 2018, majority of whom are returning to Kismayu.
- Planned road convoy that was expected to departed on 28th March 2018 was temporarily suspended due rains that have made road conditions in Somalia impassable.

Resettlement

- The UK Government conducted a resettlement selection mission in Nairobi from 19 to 23 March. UNHCR submitted 183 Dadaab refugees and 53 Nairobi refugees for consideration. Nearly all the refugees are Somali. It is anticipated that all the refugees will be accepted and will depart gradually after housing is secured for them.
- Nairobi office submitted a total of 18 cases/ 53 persons to the U.S., Australia and Canada
- Two (2) cases comprising of 11 individuals from Dadaab had their application for resettlement in the UK accepted and 21 cases comprising of 99 individuals are under review with the Canadian Government.

Statelessness

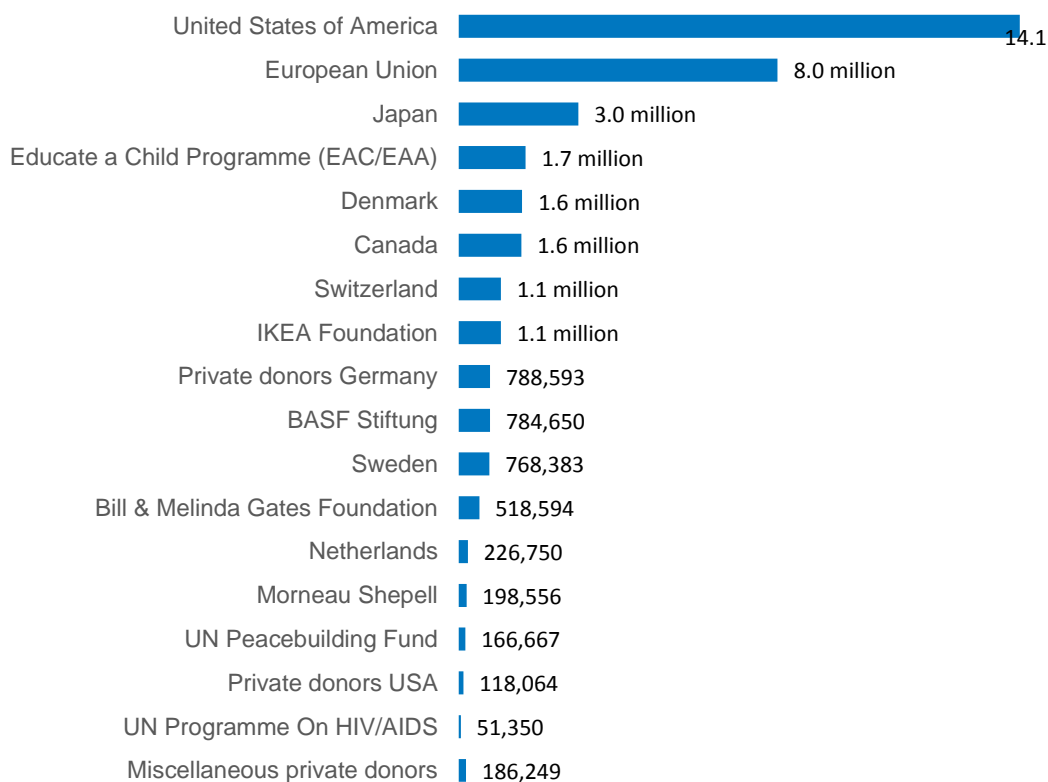
In March, UNHCR's partner, Haki Centre Organization, mobilized and coordinated a mobile birth registration in Kasemeni and Samburu Wards, Kwale County. A total of 4,892 birth certificates were processed and issued.

Financial Information

Total recorded contributions for the operation amount to some **US\$ 36.3 million**.

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Web portal on Somali Displacement <http://data.unhcr.org/horn-of-africa/regional.php>

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