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Weekly Situation Report No. 7

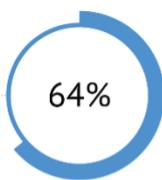
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2.2M

People in need



64%

1.4M

People targeted



208k

IDPs



3

Formal camps



24

Informal Settlements

HIGHLIGHTS

- Over 2,500 civilians displaced as death toll rises to 18 following attacks by non-state armed group (NSAG) in Hong Local Government Area (LGA).
- Three more cases of cholera reported across Yola and Girei LGAs, suggesting an outbreak.
- Early recovery partners unveil plans to scale-up operations across return areas.
- Government and partners plan workshop to review and harmonize contingency and response plans to mitigate impacts of flooding and risks of disease outbreaks during the ongoing rainy season.
- Gender-based violence (GBV) response is ongoing as women-led community-based organizations (CBOs) seek stronger partnerships.

SITUATION OVERVIEW

Over 2,500 civilians displaced, death toll climbs to 18 following armed attacks in Hong LGA

Additional updates from the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) indicate that some 2,532 Dabna community members were displaced in the 7 July attacks by NSAG operatives targeting Dabna community in Hong LGA. The death toll has risen to 18 (from the 15 initially reported) while 35 others are being treated for injuries and one child is still missing. On 13 July, the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) provided initial food assistance to the displaced populations currently taking shelter in the neighbouring villages of Larh and Garaha. This assistance included rice, beans, maize, and condiments, as well as non-food items such as mats, clothing and soap, among other items. OCHA is following up with SEMA on existing gaps to mobilize additional support. Some of the 5,000 people who were displaced in similar attacks in the same LGA in April are still in the process of resettling.

Three additional cases of cholera confirmed in Yola and Girei LGAs suggesting an outbreak

There are indications of a possible cholera outbreak in Yola North and Girei LGAs following the laboratory confirmation of three suspected cases during the week. Since the confirmation of an index case in Girei LGA earlier in the month, WASH and health partners intensified the prepositioning of response and risk mitigation kits across affected and high-risk locations. Chlorination of water sources, disinfection of drainages and awareness messaging campaigns are also ongoing across affected and high-risk locations as part of a 3-month response plan developed by WASH partners. The health sector supported the state government in establishing a cholera treatment center (CTC) and emergency operations center (EOC) to track and coordinate the response. Although there has not been an official declaration of an outbreak, a multi-stakeholder meeting of government and partners is scheduled for the coming days to review the situation and map out priority activities as part of efforts to contain the spread.

Early recovery and development partners to scale-up operations and services in return areas

Early recovery partners led by UNDP are finalizing plans to scale-up operations and services across return areas in the

state as part of efforts to support the stabilization and resilience of IDPs, returnees and host community populations across affected locations. UNDP already has a robust operation providing cash-for-work programmes, agricultural assistance, skill acquisition programmes, community savings associations providing funding for small businesses, among other vital services that are being scaled up in locations like Michika LGA. Offers are underway to extend to other return areas in the coming weeks and months.

Ongoing GBV response and funding challenges for women-led CBOs

Protection partners during the week continued to ramp up the GBV response, including monitoring activities across LGAs and training programmes for focal points. Forty participants completed a gender-based violence in emergency (GBViE) course at the American University of Nigeria (AUN) in Yola. Adamawa State has some of the highest cases of sexual violence in the country, with 25 rape cases recorded between January and June this year according to [police reports](#). Despite the prevalence of GBV cases, women-led CBOs working on protection and women's empowerment issues are facing challenges, particularly with funding, as expressed during a meeting with OCHA during the week. OCHA will in the coming weeks intensify support including linkages with key sectors/partners and other stakeholders for technical and funding mechanisms for the CBOs.

Preparedness

The increasing cases of acute watery diarrhea (AWD) and cholera may escalate in the coming weeks and months as the rainy season gathers momentum. To prepare for this, the state government, humanitarian partners and other stakeholders are working to organize a workshop in the coming week to review and harmonize contingency plans and develop an action plan to cover existing response gaps. In addition to disease outbreaks, thousands of households in riverine communities are at risk of displacement due to flooding during the rainy season. Several hectares of cultivated farmlands are also washed away by flooding each year, worsening food security across the state. WASH and health partners have rolled out a 3-month response plan to mitigate risks through preparedness actions and respond to possible outbreaks of diseases. The workshop seeks to bring all stakeholders to the table to develop a holistic plan cutting across risk areas – health, education, food security/livelihoods and protection, among others.

HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

Camp Coordination and Camp Management / Non-Food Items

Needs:

- IDPs across formal and informal camps are in dire need of NFIs such as water storage containers/jerry cans, sanitation items and warm clothing to cushion the impacts of the ongoing rainy season and mitigate risk of water-borne diseases.

Response:

- The International Rescue Committee (IRC) this week continued the scale-up of water trucking services to support households at the Mubi transit camp, where acute water shortages had been reported in the past weeks.

Early Recovery

Response:

- UNHCR this week distributed livestock to 35 households, including female-headed families, across Malkohii camp in Yola North LGA as part of livelihood support. The agency also conducted monitoring and engagement sessions with beneficiaries of ongoing agricultural support (including seeds and small implements) in Yola South and Yola North LGAs.

Education

Response:

- IRC is currently supporting over 10,000 out-of-school children with accelerated learning programmes (ALP) classes in Michika, Mubi north and Maiha LGAs with the support of some 300 learning facilitators. Training is also being provided

for teachers across Mubi North, Mubi South, Maiha, Gombi and Hong LGAs as part of efforts to improve the quality of education services.

Health

Response:

- IRC reached some 3,793 beneficiaries this week with consultation services on different health issues across seven public health facilities (PHCs) in Michika LGA. Health workers were supported with training programmes to improve service delivery while data collection on prevalent health issues was also carried out to monitor general trends.

Nutrition

Response:

- A total of 1,302 under-5 children were screened for malnutrition this week by IRC with 125 cases of severe acute malnutrition (SAM) identified and admitted to out-patient treatment programmes (OTPs) in Michika and Askira Uba LGAs. Forty-eight SAM cases were also discharged after full recovery. Some 958 children are currently being treated for SAM across the OTPs.
- Some 150 pregnant and lactating women (PLWs) in Michika and Askira Uba LGAs were supported with counselling programmes on infant and young child feeding (IYCF) practices to promote the nutritional wellbeing of children and mothers. Some 67 mothers were also trained on mother-led mid-upper arm circumference (MUAC) during the week by IRC in the two LGAs.

Protection

Needs:

- There is an urgent need for the scale-up of GBV prevention and response services, including mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS), particularly for adolescent girls and women across the state.
- Frameworks/critical services need to be strengthened, including access to justice and legal services to support GBV survivors and to prosecute perpetrators.

Response:

- Sector partners including UNFPA, IRC and Plan International conducted sessions to raise awareness on different protection issues including GBV, fundamental human rights, disability inclusion and children's rights, among others, reaching over 200 households across Michika, Yola South, Girei and Yola North. Dignity kits were provided to women and girls by UNFPA during some of the sessions.
- Partners led by Plan International are providing vital services such as referral for legal protection/assistance and PSS services for survivors of GBV cases reported during the week.

Child Protection Sub/Working Group

Response:

- Some 23 vulnerable children were registered for case management services by sector partners, who also conducted social and emotional learning (SEL) for some 77 children across Yola and Michika LGAs.

Housing, Land & Property Sub-Working Group

Response:

- Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) provided cash-for-rent support to IDPs facing risks of eviction in host communities in Yola and Mubi LGAs during the week. Over 100 IDP households were also supported with identification and civil documentation services in the two LGAs to enable them access critical services.

Shelter

Response:

- NRC is working to rehabilitate some 172 permanent shelters in Mubi North LGA to avert the risk of flooding and destruction during rainfall and windstorm.

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

Needs:

- There is a general need for the scale-up of services to promote access to potable water, including through water trucking, construction of new water points, rehabilitation and operational maintenance of broken/worn water facilities, especially in Michika and Askira Uba LGAs where populations are facing acute shortages.

Response:

- Sector partners led by IRC trucked 9,000 liters of chlorinated water to IDP households at the Mubi Burnt Bricks camp in Mubi LGA. They also carried out COVID-19 response activities including hygiene promotion and sensitization campaigns reaching 7,658 people in Askira Uba and Michika LGAs. COVID-19 information, education and communication (IEC) materials were also distributed across five health facilities in Michika.
- IRC carried out 7 sessions of an area cleaning exercise reaching 637 individuals in Askira Uba LGA.
- Partners distributed waste management kits across five communities, including Rumirgo, Wamdeo, Kuma, Giwi, and Uda in Askira Uba LGA as part of efforts to ensure safe disposal of waste to mitigate risks of drainages being blocked during the ongoing rainy season. A borehole facility was rehabilitated this week by IRC in Uda community, restoring access to potable water to over 500 residents.

Coordination

Government response:

- SEMA and NEMA conducted a joint assessment in Dapna community of Hong LGA following the NSAG attack of 7 July to understand the level of damage and the needs of the affected population. The assessment will help to guide response planning. Findings will be shared with the humanitarian community in the coming week.

Funding Overview

Out of \$1.0 billion required for the 2021 humanitarian response in north-east Nigeria, \$225 million is required for Adamawa State.



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