

WORLD VISION UGANDA WEST NILE REFUGEE RESPONSE SITUATION REPORT 8

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KEY MESSAGES

- Every day thousands of frightened refugees fleeing terrible violence in South Sudan arrive in Uganda in desperate need of food, water and basic survival supplies.
- Thousands of separated children arrive without their parents, who have been lost or killed. World Vision is helping to identify, protect and find caring guardians for these extremely vulnerable children.
- The scale of crisis is overwhelming Uganda which as one of the world's most generous nations is hosting 900,000 South Sudanese refugees. An international appeal for \$673m has only raised \$103m so food rations have been cut and other emergency interventions cannot be provided.
- Peace in South Sudan is desperately needed if this refugee crisis is to end. Leaders with influence in and outside of the country are urged to act, advocate and pray for peace and an end to the violence children face.
- World Vision has hundreds of staff supporting the aid response. Hundreds of thousands of refugees have been assisted. With funding we can do much more to help men, women and children who have nothing.

HUMANITARIAN SITUATION OVERVIEW

- Hundreds of thousands of South Sudanese have sought refuge in Uganda, the majority of whom cross the northwestern border or transit through the Democratic Republic of Congo. The current influx of refugees from South Sudan started in mid-2016 after an outbreak of violence in Juba spread to Greater Equatoria, which borders Uganda. In the first two months of 2017, over 116,000 refugees have arrived, at a rate of around 2,000 people a day.
- Between January and April this year, more than 238,000 South Sudanese arrived in Uganda compared to just over 29,000 during the same period in 2016. Of those, 65% are under 18 and 86 percent are women and children. Some of the women are reportedly victims of widespread sexual violence in South Sudan.
- Every day, World Vision is registering more than 100 separated and unaccompanied minors at Imvepi refugee settlement. The majority of these children saw their parents being killed while others lost touch with their

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SITUATION HIGHLIGHTS



898,000

South Sudan refugees in Uganda



10 million

required to provide humanitarian assistance



>2,000

average daily South Sudan refugee arrival in Uganda



238,080

South Sudan new arrivals since 01 January 2017



59%

of South Sudan refugees in Uganda are children



86%

of South Sudan refugees in Uganda are women and children

Source: OPM Uganda

families once fighting broke out. Some of them walk for more than a week to get to Uganda, with nothing to eat.

- The newly-opened Palorinya settlement in Moyo District is already at full capacity and a new settlement, Imvempi in Arua, was opened in February. There are 1.25 million refugees and asylum seekers as of 1st April 2017.
- Bidibidi settlement, which is now the largest refugee settlement in Africa, is home to over 157,000 children from South Sudan who have arrived since the 2016 July crisis. Other new South Sudanese refugee arrivals are settled in Palorinya (148,381), Rhino (86,770), Imvepi (55,778) and Lamwo (5,738).

WHAT WORLD VISION IS DOING



GENERAL FOOD DISTRIBUTION

- A new Cash Based Transfer (CBT) cycle for Adjumani started early and was effected in a week. Out of the 7,540 households (44,444 beneficiaries) planned, 7,505 household (44,256 beneficiaries) were reached with a total amount of Ug Shs. 1.5 bn 4 (approx. 420,030 USD). Over 22,500 served were considered extremely vulnerable individuals (EVI).
- Due to funding challenges, the May 2017 food distribution was rescheduled to take place starting on the 22nd May 2017. In addition WFP has announced ration cuts for cereals. The cereals have been reduced by 50% for everyone. Those who used to get 12kgs for 30 days will now get 6kgs; meanwhile those who get 6kgs will now get 3kgs for 30 days.
- WFP communicated about pipeline delays and a mass sensitization about pipeline delays and ration cuts for cereals started on 15th May. WV response leadership engaged with WFP Country Director during UNCT visit to Imvepi camp to explore options of joint alternative food provisioning.



CHILD PROTECTION

- WV provided psychosocial support to 42,199 children in Adjumani, Yumbe and Arua through structured play at the Child Friendly Spaces (CFSs), with caregivers who closely supervise the children while at the centres. There are 27 centres in Adjumani (6 CFS), Yumbe (20 CFS) and Arua (1 CFS).
- WV, the lead child protection agency in Bidibidi and Yumbe District, identified and supported 10,273 children who are either unaccompanied, separated or at risk. These children were referred and are being monitored regularly to ensure

that they are supported with basic needs and services needed. Unaccompanied children are supported through foster care arrangements.

- In addition, youth in Adjumani are benefitting from vocational skills training from the different institutions in Gulu (St. Monica Tailoring School) and Moyo (Moyo Technical Institute and Moyo Polytechnic Institute).

NFI NON-FOOD ITEMS

- WV with support from UNHCR distributed 53,911 pieces of different items inclusive of ropes, slashers (scythes), solar lamps, basins, machetes, hoes, kitchen sets and sickles. Women's underwear and sanitary items to 8,446 females between ages 12-49.
- Regular support to facilitate smooth family reunions in Palorinya continue. Additional distributions of core relief items are to households who came from Palorinya to unify with their families in different zones in Bidibidi.



WASH

- Capacity building for Water User Committees in the host communities was conducted. This will strengthen sustainability of Water Sanitation and Hygiene management services.
- Rehabilitation of boreholes and provision of hand pumps in host communities is ongoing to ensure refugees have clean and safe water.
- World Vision was part of a joint monitoring and explorative team visit with the Ministry of Water and Environment (MoWE) Technical Leads to assess WASH interventions in the 17 settlements in Adjumani district. There were areas identified including one for agencies to have a WASH Master plan for each settlement before re-settling.

REFUGEE NUMBERS IN DISTRICTS OF WV RESPONSE

District	Adjumani	Moyo	Yumbe	Arua	Total (in the 4 districts)
Number of refugees	224,318	160,809	272,707	174,396	832,230

GAPS AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS



RESPONSE HIGHLIGHTS

People reached during 4-18 May 2017



214,040

total people reached with food assistance/cash, child protection, WASH, and core relief item/NFI distribution



151,930

people reached with food assistance

NFI

8,640

people reached with non-food items



1,000

people reached with water, sanitation and hygiene services



52,470

people reached with protection and education services

WORLD VISION AREAS OF OPERATION



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