



World Food Programme

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Highlights

- Following political unrest in Burundi thousands are fleeing to neighbouring countries.
- Between 27 and 29 June a new influx of approximately 1,500 Burundian refugees fled into DRC.

Situation Update

- As of 30 June 11,652 Burundian refugees have been registered in the South Kivu province; 485 in Katanga; and 61 in Maniema.
- 4,787 refugees are residing in the Lusenda camp (as of 30 June). The remaining live with host families and a small number are in transit centres and other temporary sites.
- Biometric registration of 10,543 refugees in South Kivu shows that 53% are female/girls and 47% are male/boys. Out of the total 65% are children and 50% are under 12 years old.

In numbers

12,198 newly arrived Burundian refugees

10,800 host family members

3 provinces affected

Funding Update:

IR-PREP \$ 264,000

IR-EMOP \$ 1.38 M

CERF funding \$ 1.5 M (approval pending)

WFP Response

- Food assistance to all Burundian refugees and host families are ongoing.



Food Assistance

- WFP is cooperating closely with UNHCR and partner NGOs for the food distributions.
- Refugees and host families are receiving monthly rations to meet their urgent food needs.



Logistics

- The UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) is supporting the humanitarian community in DRC. If it becomes necessary, UNHAS DRC possesses the clearances for its aircrafts to operate in Bujumbura; ground support and fuel supplies have also been looked into as part of contingency planning.

Clusters



Logistics Cluster

- One mobile storage unit and 5 MT of High Energy Biscuits have been positioned in Uvira for immediate responses.

Partnerships

- UNHCR and OCHA are leading the response with support from WFP.
- Partner NGOs AIRD, World Vision and Caritas are delivering the food assistance to refugees, host families, as well as nutrition supplements.

Resourcing Update

- An IR-prep of USD \$ 264,000 has been approved for increased storage capacity, rapid assessments, vulnerability analysis, and market surveys.
- An IR-EMOP of USD \$ 1.38 million will respond to the needs of 20,000 people over the course of three months.
- A joint CERF funding request from the UN agencies involved in the response has been submitted. WFP is requesting USD \$ 1.5 million to alleviate the alarming food security situation amongst the refugees and host population.

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