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World Food Programme

Tanzania: Emergency Food Assistance to Burundian Refugees

Highlights

Tanzania has received the highest number of new Burundian refugees among countries in the Great Lakes Region (GLR) since the crisis began in April 2015. The total number of new Burundian refugees in the GLR has reached almost 193,000. Of this, over 89,000 have been accommodated in Tanzania's Nyarugusu Refugee Camp. The Camp is hosting a combined population of 155,000 Congolese and Burundian refugees, making it one of the largest single location refugee camps in the world. New camp locations have been identified, with refugees expected to move soon, given the upcoming rainy season.

Situation Update

Refugees continue to arrive into Tanzania at an average rate of just below 250/day.

WFP Response

Food Assistance

To date, a cumulative total of 4,674 mt of food commodities have been distributed to over 89,000 refugees comprising:

- 206 mt served as hot meals to over 89,000 refugees at Reception/Transit Centres;
- 4,385 mt of dry rations provided to over 89,000 refugees. Dry rations include maize meal, pulses, oil, salt and Super Cereal. There is a temporary scarcity of Super Cereal. WFP is therefore prioritising the distribution of Super Cereal to pregnant and lactating women. In order to maintain the Kcal provided to refugees, the maize meal ration has been increased.
- 32 mt of High Energy Biscuits and dates distributed by UNHCR and IOM as ready to eat food to 38,000 refugees in transit to Nyarugusu Refugee Camp from various Reception/Transit Centres;



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In numbers

89,000 new Burundian refugees (51% F 49% M) 65,500 pre-influx refugees Total number of refugees 155,000 100% of the refugees received food assistance

Funding Update

DFID: GBP 1.5 million Food for Peace: US\$ 3 million CERF: US\$ 2.3 million ECHO: US\$ 1.3 million *Fundraising ongoing*

Videos/Photo Galleries

A World of Forgotten Refugees http://panorama.wfp.org/a-world-of-forgotten-refugees Burundian Refugees Fleeing to Tanzania Face Challenging Times http://www.wfp.org/node/3614/4091/646561 Burundian Refugees at Nyarugusu in Tanzania http://www.wfp.org/node/3614/4092/646605 WFP Assists Burundian Refugees in Tanzania

http://www.wfp.org/node/3614/4092/646395

- 20 mt of Super Cereal Plus provided to 5,268 children between 6-23 months of age under WFP's Blanket Supplementary Feeding Programme; and
- 31 mt of various food commodities provided to 7,450 beneficiaries including pregnant and lactating women, children with moderate acute malnutrition, HIV patients on medication and hospital inpatients.



As the lead agency in logistics, WFP co-ordinates transportation of food and non-food items, warehousing and clearing and forwarding formalities, and provides information to NGOs and UN agencies to help improve efficiency in transport and logistics.

Partnerships

WFP partners with the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) to carry out General Food Distribution at Nyarugusu Refugee Camp and has tripartite agreements with Caritas, Tanzania Water and Environmental Sanitation (TWESA) and Relief to Development Society (REDESO) to provide hot meals to new arrivals at Transit/Reception Centres and at Nyarugusu Refugee Camp. The Tanzania Red Cross Society (TRCS) runs the Supplementary Feeding Programme with food and human resources provided by WFP. WFP works with TRCS to deliver nutrition messaging in order to address barriers to proper nutrition, such as incorrect infant and young child feeding practices, and mother and child care practices.

Resourcing Update

- Confirmed contributions towards WFP's Refugee Operation include UK Department for International Development (DFID) - GBP 1.5 million; USA/Food for Peace - US\$ 3 million; UN Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) - US\$ 2.3 million; and the European Commission's Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection Department (ECHO) US\$ 1.3 million.
- With increasing numbers of refugees, WFP continues to raise funds.



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