In Numbers

206,614 people affected
1 region affected (Kigoma)
206,614 people displaced
206,614 people in need of food assistance

Highlights

Over 141,000 Burundian refugees have crossed over into Tanzania since April 2015. Combined with a pre-influx population of 65,000, the total refugee population stands at over 206,000.

Situation Update

Currently three refugee camps are operational: Nyarugusu, Nduta and Mtendeli. The population at Nduta Refugee Camp is over 55,000 and Mtendeli has over 22,000 refugees. WFP is providing dry food rations and Supplementary Feeding at all three camps. Hot meals are served to new arrivals at transit and reception centres.

WFP Response

Food Assistance

To date, a cumulative total of 27,338 mt of food commodities have been distributed to over 141,000 new Burundian refugees. This includes:

- 727 mt served as hot meals to over 141,000 refugees at Reception/Transit Centres;
- 25,830 mt of dry rations provided to over 141,000 refugees. Dry rations include maize meal, pulses, oil, salt and Super Cereal; There is a slight reduction of Super Cereal in the General Food Distribution due to the late arrival of the vessel. However, in terms of calorie requirements, refugees will receive 2,075 kcal which is 98% of the minimum recommended 2,100 kcal/per day.
- 40 mt of High Energy Biscuits and dates distributed by Caritas Kigoma, Tanzania Water and Environmental Sanitation (TWESA) and Relief to Development Society (REDESO) as ready to eat food to 62,354 refugees in transit from various Reception/Transit Centres;
- 365 mt of Super Cereal Plus provided to 27,296 children between 6-23 months and 6-59 months of age to prevent stunting and micro nutrient deficiencies, respectively; and
- 376 mt of various food commodities provided to 28,641 beneficiaries including pregnant and lactating women, children with moderate acute malnutrition, HIV patients on medication and hospital in-patients.

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Photo: Clinic staff measure arm circumference to check for malnutrition at Mtendeli Refugee Camp. WFP/Max Wohlgemuth
Logistics

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

Partnerships

- WFP’s co-operating partner, the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) carries out General Food Distribution at Nyarugusu Refugee Camp.

- WFP has partnered with World Vision Tanzania to carry out General Food Distribution at Nduta, and Mtendeli Refugee Camps.

- Under a tripartite agreement with UNHCR and WFP, wet feeding (provision of hot meals) is implemented by Caritas, Tanzania Water and Environmental Sanitation (TWESA), Danish Refugee Council (DRC), International Refugee Committee (IRC) and Relief to Development Society (REDESO) at Transit/Reception Centres and at the camps.

- Tanzania Red Cross Society (TRCS) and World Vision Tanzania implement the Supplementary Feeding Programme at the camps with food and human resources provided by WFP. WFP works with TRCS, World Vision Tanzania and UNICEF to deliver nutrition messaging in order to address barriers to proper child nutrition, such as inappropriate infant and young child feeding practices.

Resourcing Update

- Confirmed contributions towards WFP’s Refugee Operation in 2016 include France—Euro 750,000; Canada—CAD 500,000; ECHO - Euro 1.3 million; CERF - US$ 2 million; Japan - US$ 1.8 million; Food for Peace - US$ 15 million;

- Contributions in 2015 upon the start of the emergency in April: Germany - Euro 14 million; Belgium - Euro 1 million; 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$ 1.9 million.

- With increasing numbers of refugees, and to sustain current refugees, WFP is continuing to raise funds.

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