

NORTHERN UGANDA: FAST FACTS

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UNICEF's accelerated humanitarian response to the situation of the most vulnerable children and women in northern and north-eastern Uganda is conducted in collaboration with the Government of Uganda, sister UN agencies and NGO implementing partners. Activities supported during the reporting period include:

RIGHT TO HEALTH

- Facilitated national training-of-trainers (8), to conduct case-management training for staff of 11 TFCs in conflict-affected districts to improve quality of care for approx. 1,000 children each month (*Gulu, Lira, Kitgum, Pader, Apac, Soroti, Katakwi, Kaberamaido Districts*)
- Facilitated growth-promotion training for 80 CORPs (10 women) from Awach, Coope, Paicho, Cwero IDP camps to reach approx. 6,400 children for referral to SFCs/TFCs (*Gulu District*)
- Facilitated communication skills and STIs training for 270 peer educators (133 girls) (*Soroti, Katakwi, Kaberamaido Districts*)
- Provided 4,100 bed-nets to district for distribution to pregnant women receiving antenatal care (*Soroti, Katakwi, Kaberamaido Districts*)
- Provided approx. 33,000 ORS sachets to districts for distribution to CORPs (*Soroti, Katakwi, Kaberamaido Districts*)
- Provided 7 cartons of F75 and 45 cartons of F100 to Soroti Hospital to treat approx. 200 malnourished children during a 3-week period (*Soroti District*)

RIGHT TO EDUCATION

- Facilitated Child-Friendly School concept training for 30 teachers (7 women) for 30 temporary learning centres, to benefit approximately 6,000 displaced children (*Gulu District*)

RIGHT TO WATER & SANITATION

- Completed construction of 25 latrine stances at 4 primary schools and 5 stances at Amuru health centre, to serve 1,250 pupils (1,000 girls) and 10 patients per day, respectively (*Gulu District, with Crestanks*)
- Facilitated water-pump repair, maintenance and hygiene promotion training for hand-pump mechanics from 6 IDP camps, to benefit approx. 45,000 people (*Pader District*)

RIGHT TO PROTECTION

- Supported monitoring/supervision of 318 community volunteer counselors to collect data on formerly abducted children and follow up on formerly abducted children, orphans and other vulnerable children in 18 IDP camps (*Kitgum District*)
- Facilitated registration of 2 formerly abducted children at AACAN reception centre, and reunification of 4 children with families (all boys) (*Kaberamaido District*)
- Provided 30 bicycles for use by community development workers, 1 generator for office and 90 chalkboards for child centres to CCF's child protection and SGBV prevention projects (*Soroti, Kaberamaido, Katakwi Districts*)

RIGHT TO SHELTER

- Provided 3 tents (72m² each) for use by 1,000 children (500 girls) "night commuting" within Lalogi IDP camp (*Gulu District, with NRC*)
- Provided tarpaulins, blankets, basins, jerricans, soap, cups and plates to 22 households (70 children), displaced by fire outbreaks in Bobi IDP camp (*Gulu District*)
- Provided blankets, basins, jerricans, cups and plates for use by 84 households in 4 IDP camps (*Kitgum District*)

UNICEF's *The State of the World's Children 2005* report was launched nationally in Gulu District by the Deputy Speaker of the Parliament of Uganda, with participation by senior Members of Parliament, representatives of UN and NGO partners, and children. The launch reinforced the theme of "Childhood Under Threat," and also focused on the situation of formerly abducted girls.



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