

UNICEF HUMANITARIAN ACTION

United Republic of Tanzania

SUMMARY FOR 2005

Critical Issues for Children and Women

In 2004, Tanzania continued to host the largest refugee population in Africa, mainly from DRC and Burundi. Additionally, failed rains have left some areas food insecure for the third growing season. These two situations have particularly affected women and children.

Over 400,000 refugees, half of whom are women and children, continue to require protection and basic social services. Burden is already shared with the local host communities. Additionally, failed rains in the northern highlands of the country have left over 650,000 people with limited access to food. Further assessments are currently on-going to determine the humanitarian impact of such disasters.

Planned Humanitarian Action for 2005

UNICEF works in close relationship with UN agencies, the Red Cross Movement, NGOs and local government authorities. UNICEF participates in various coordination fora at camp, district and national levels. UNICEF is also involved in joint needs assessments in refugee and drought affected areas.

Health and Nutrition: UNICEF will support supplementary and therapeutic feeding centres, and provide essential drugs, medical supplies and cold chain equipment. UNICEF will strengthen health surveillance systems, and also train health staff on key preventive and curative health services.

Water and Environmental Sanitation: UNICEF will equip schools and dispensaries with water schemes and latrines. UNICEF will promote hygiene education activities and distribute jerry cans to the most vulnerable.

Rapid Assessment: UNICEF will conduct rapid assessments in food insecure areas to mobilize resources and improve humanitarian assistance.

Education: UNICEF will maintain basic education services, and distribute basic learning supplies to refugee affected communities. Mine Risk Education Programme will also be implemented.

HIV/AIDS, Child Protection: UNICEF will implement HIV prevention activities related to Mother-To-Child Transmission, and will develop specific youth prevention and life skills activities. UNICEF will also expand sexual gender based violence programme and monitor child soldiers' re-recruitment.

Summary of UNICEF Financial Needs	
Sector	US\$
1. Maternal and Child Health for Refugees	575,000
2. Nutritional Assistance to Refugee Children and Pregnant/Lactating Mothers	300,000
3. Hygiene, Water and Sanitation for Refugee Children	210,000
4. Rapid Assessment and Response to Food Insecurity	150,000
5. Basic and Non-Formal Education for Refugee Children	750,000
6. HIV/AIDS for Refugees	1,100,000
7. Protection and Support to Vulnerable Refugee Children	185,000
8. Multi-Sectoral Support for Tanzanian Communities Affected by Refugees	1,600,000
9. Inter-Sectoral Support for Field Operations (Communications, Security, etc..)	750,000
TOTAL	5,620,000