

Monthly Humanitarian Situation Report CHAD

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Highlights

- An additional 4 outpatient therapeutic program (OTP) centres were opened in January 2013. UNICEF is currently supporting 450 centers in the Sahel belt of which there are 31 inpatient facilities (IPFs) for treatment of SAM with complications and 419 OTPs for outpatient treatment.
- UNICEF is currently conducted SMART survey in the Sahel Belt Region and Southern Chad; Survey results will be available on March 2013



UNICEF built water System in Kamina, Abeche. Pic @Harouna Moustapha

Situation Overview & Humanitarian Needs

Despite favorable rain fall in 2012 and better agricultural production, 1.8 million people remain at risk of food insecurity in 2013. Drought and the impact of climate change are putting poor families at risk of food insecurity. They are threatening to further compromise the nutrition status of more than 126,000 children living in the 11 regions of Chad that fall within the Sahel belt. According to a July 2012 nutrition survey, the prevalence of global acute malnutrition (GAM) within these regions increased from under 14.5 per cent in 2011 to 18 per cent in 2012. Chad continues to face high rates of child malnutrition and disease outbreaks: with an under-five mortality rate of 175 deaths for every 1,000 live births; and a GAM prevalence rate of 15.7 per cent nationwide and 18.9 in the Sahel regions. In addition, the country is experiencing numerous cyclic shocks, such as floods; and reoccurring epidemics, such as cholera, measles, meningitis and polio, which are having an

overwhelming impact on the health system. Access to social services (water, school, social protection) remains low, for instance only 16 per cent of the population has access to proper sanitation facilities and just half of Chadian school-aged children have access to primary education. Furthermore, the need to give continuing humanitarian assistance in eastern and southern Chad to 325,000 Sudanese and Central African refugees, 131,000 internally displaced persons, and 50,000 returnees is still among the priorities

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Estimated Affected Population • <i>(Estimates calculated based on initial figures from the General Population Census RGPH-INSEED 2009, SMART Survey June 2012,)</i> 			
Categories	Total	Male	Female
Total Affected Population	6,252,536	3,170,036	3,082,500
Children Affected (Under 18)	3,588,956	1,819,601	1,769,355
Children Under Five	1,137,962	576,947	561,015
Children 6 to 23 months	340,763	172,767	167,996
Pregnant women with MAM	100,000	-	100,000
Children Under Five with Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM)	126,000	64,000	62,000
Children Under Five with SAM and medical complications	12,730	6,454	6,276
Children Under Five with Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM)	430,000	210,000	220,000
IDP's and Returnees	181,000	85,000	96,000
Refugees	350,000	170,000	180,000

FUNDING UPDATE

Appeal sector	Requirements as per HAC January 2013	Funds Received to date	Unmet requirements	
			Amount	%
Nutrition	28, 943,500	3, 945,378	24, 998,122	86.37
Health	14, 445,000	449,316	13, 995,684	96.89
WASH	7, 651,591	1, 175,157	6, 476,434	84.64
Education	5, 350,000	40,750	5, 309,250	99.24
Child Protection	2, 675,000	346,273	2, 328,727	87.06
HIV/AIDS	1, 230,500	8,103	1, 222,397	99.34
Cluster/ Secteur Coordination	600,000	304,898	295,102	4918%
Total	60, 895,591	6, 269,875	54,625,716	89.7

*The total includes a maximum recovery rate of 7%. The actual recovery rate on contributions will be calculated in accordance with UNICEF Executive Board Decision 2006/7 dated 9 June 2006.

Inter-Agency Collaboration and Partnerships

- UNICEF is engaged with the HC office, OCHA, others UN agencies and NGOs to foster the Transformative Agenda (TA) in Chad.
- UNICEF in partnership with the Government, WFP, FAO, WHO has developed and implementing the REACH initiative in Chad since January 2013

- UNICEF in collaboration with NGOs, Government and others stakeholders has developed strategic plans for Nutrition, WASH, Education , Child Protection clusters

Program response

Sector	Estimated # / % coverage	UNICEF & operational partners			Sector / Cluster		
		UNICEF Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved	Cluster Target	Cumulative results (#)	% of Target Achieved
Nutrition	Children <5 with Severe Acute Malnutrition admitted to therapeutic care	126,000	7,157	5.6%	147,000	7,154	4.9%
	Number of Health Centers with integrated nutrition program	476	450	94.5%	576	450	78.1%
UNICEF Operational Partners: MOH, FRC, Alima, IMC, Base, ARNUT, Bambini, Centre NDA, MSF-CH, MSF-H, MSF-F, IRC, ACF, Merlin, CRT, CHORA, Concern , SOS							
WASH	Number of Health Centers delivering the WASH in NUT packages	450	108	24%	450	108	24%
	# of SAM affected carer/mothers and children who receive hygiene kits with key hygiene messages	7,154	1,331	18.6%	7,154	1,331	18.6%
UNICEF Operational Partners: CHORA, Merlin, ASSAR, AFDI							
Health	Children <1 receiving measles vaccination in refugee camps in Eastern Chad	84,487	2,235	2.6%	84,487	2,235	2.6%
	UNICEF Operational Partners: IMC, BASE, CSSI,CRT, MoH						
Protection	"# of children with SAM who received psychosocial care	50,000	2,166	4.3%	126,000	2,166	1.7%
	UNICEF Operational Partners: IMC, BASE, CSSI,CRT, MERLIN						

UNICEF and partners' programming

NUTRITION

- The number of new admissions decreased this month by 1,127 malnourished children admitted in nutrition therapeutic centers compared to December 2012.

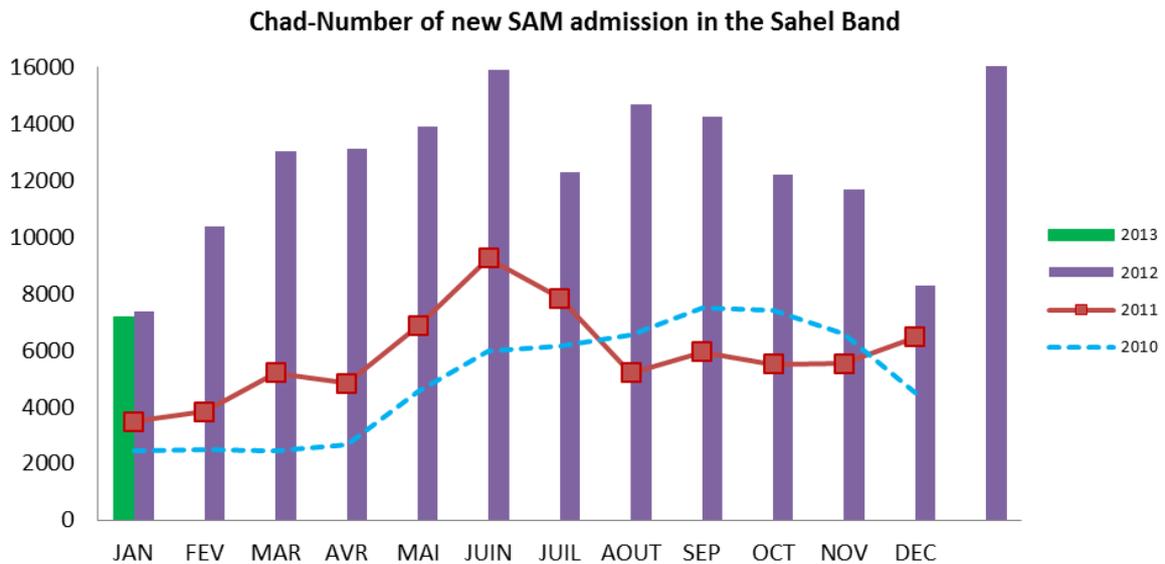


Figure 1: Monthly admission for SAM in the Sahel belt of Chad, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013.

EDUCATION

- Prior to vacations, with regard to improving access to school and the educational level of children affected by the food and nutrition crisis in Kanem region, UNICEF supported the MoE organizing remedial courses for students to upgrade their level. These students were assessed in December and the evaluation results showed substantial differences in performance between students who benefited remedial courses and those who did not participate in the course. A sample of 400 students participated in the remedial course were selected as well as 400 among students who didn't take part in the course. As a result, success rate tests conducted was recorded among the pilot group at the skills related to the application (ie 95% or above average have a good result in language test in level 6) and 58% among tested students showed a good result in mathematics. Participation rate for students in the remedial course was 89% against 25% who didn't participate.
- Ordered school supplies and teacher kits were delivered in N'Djamena UNICEF warehouse and distribution will be proceeded in February to cover the need of approximately 112.577 primary student's with 44% girls and teaching materials to 1.587 teacher's with 375 women's in Kanem, Ouaddai, Sila and Guera regions.

HIV/AIDS

- Six regions met in Moundou in the south for two days training of trainers (14-15 February) on the revised PMTCT guidelines (Logone Occidental, Logone Oriental, Moyen Chari, Mayo Kebbi Ouest, Tandjilé and Mandoul). Logone Occidental

authorities and UNICEF Representative took the opportunity to launch the implementation of the e-MTCT districts micro plans. All districts received PMTCT supplies for the three first months of micro plans implementation.

- In Toukra and Farcha flood displaced sites, through the partnership with ASTBEF NGO, HIV sensitization sessions were conducted reaching 600 young people and 500 people benefited of HIV counseling and testing. Those identified HIV were referred to care and treatment services.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT (C4D)

- Support was provided to the Government through the Bureau for Information, Education and Communication (BIEC) in the design of a communication plan in support of the immunization campaign against yellow fever. The campaign which is expected to be carried in February 2013 targets the population in three priority health districts (Guereda, Adre and Goz-Beida) situated at the border with Sudan where several cases of yellow fever have been reported.
- The process of elaboration of regional communication plans in response to the nutrition crisis affecting the Sahel belt of Chad continued in January 2013 with the organization of three workshops that brought together more than sixty people including local health workers, representatives of local NGOs and community based organizations. The integrated regional communication plans under design are expected to support current efforts to curb the crisis through communication interventions targeting behavior change at individual and community levels. The plans are expected to be finalized with the support of the regional office by April 2013. Resource mobilization is the next step as it is a prerequisite for a proper implementation of the plans.
- At community level and precisely in the locality of Bol, a women's association known as "Groupe des meres" involved in the promotion of exclusive breast feeding for children below six months has continued its sensitization activities targeting not only women but also other family members such as fathers and grandmothers.
- Sensitization messages on exclusive breast feeding and other essential family practices such as hand washing, the use of impregnated mosquito bed nets and water treatment targeting local communities were aired through community radios stations. Forty (40) community radio stations have signed agreements with UNICEF for the production and broadcasting of micro programmes and spots with the aim of supporting efforts to promote essential family practices and good child nutrition practices at community level.

WASH

- In Bol, UNICEF provided a 35KVA generator to help on water distribution system for approximately 60.000 beneficiaries.

- UNICEF made 8 machine boreholes in 8 health centers and 7 in 7 schools in Lac and Hadjer Lamis Regions
- In Eastern Chad, 30 latrines with permanent materials are constructed in 10 health centers (10 latrines) and 10 schools (20 latrines); In addition 80 emergency latrines were built in 80 health centers .

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