UNICEF Cameroon response to the Far North crisis



Situation of refugees & displaced people in Far-North in numbers



106,000 TOTAL NUMBER OF INTERNALLY DISPLACED PEOPLE (IDPs)

(OCHA, APRIL 2015)

34,368 TOTAL NUMBER OF REFUGEES IN CAMPS

(UNHCR, APRIL 2015)

39,000 Total estimated SAM caseload in the

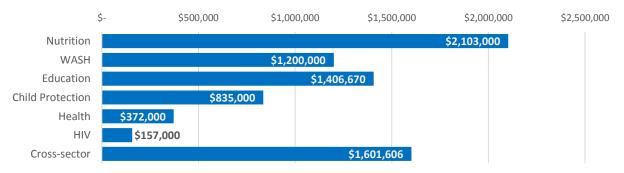
FAR NORTH IN 2015



UNICEF Mobilisation to date



RESOURCE MOBILISATION: US\$ 7,675,276 REQUIRED TO COVER NEEDS IN THE FAR NORTH





HUMAN RESOURCES: SCALING UP OF UNICEF PRESENCE IN THE FIELD

- UNICEF maintains a field office in Maroua since 2012
- Following the deterioration of the humanitarian situation, UNICEF is reinforcing its HR capacities through the mobilisation of additional staff:
 - 1 Communication For Development Specialist
 - 1 Emergency Specialist
 - 1 WASH Specialist
 - 2 Protection Specialists
 - 1 Education Specialist

Field level Coordination led by Government and supported by UNICEF:

- UNICEF is actively engaged in the general coordination meeting both at the regional and national levels
- UNICEF co leads with the Government the following sectorial groups:
 - ✓ Child Protection
 - ✓ Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)
 - ✓ Nutrition
 - ✓ Education



SUPPLIES: SCALING UP OF UNICEF SUPPLY

• In order to respond to the deterioration of humanitarian situation, UNICEF is boosting the procurement of nutritional therapeutic inputs and is purchasing equipment for WASH, Education and health activities to satisfy IDP and refugee priority needs.





NUTRITION

6,316

Children under 5 with SAM in the 13 health districts hosting IDP since January 2015

278

Refugee children under 5 with severe acute malnutrition (SAM) admitted for treatment since January 2015



CHILD PROTECTION 7,847

Children affected by the armed conflict reached with psycho-social support since the beginning of the year

279

Unaccompanied and separated children place in interim care or reunified



HEALTH

15,791

Children under 15 years vaccinated against measles in the Minawao refugee camp



WASH

6,500

Refugees getting access to new sanitary blocks (390) at a ratio of 24 person per latrine



EDUCATION

7,400

Children benefitting from teaching and learning supplies

84

Teachers trained on Psychosocial support and Promotion of Peace through Education

UNICEF main activities to date

Refine action framework

- ✓ UNICEF is finalizing multi sectorial assessments, including the Nutritional Rapid Assessment towards IDPs and host populations conducted with the Ministry of Health and WFP. The results showed that over 60 per cent of the displaced population were staying with the host families. 71 per cent of displaced people have seen their number of meals decreased (from 3 to 2 meals per day). Only 23 % of households still have food stocks. The mass screening of 751 children from 3 villages of Mora, Wandai, and Moskota didn't show a serious nutrition problem (GAM prevalence). However of the 27 malnourished children identified, 100 per cent of severe acute malnutrition (SAM) cases and 60 per cent of moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) cases were among displaced children.
- ✓ 136 schools are reported closed affecting 39,000 children. The Regional Education Delegation confirmed that all the students having established examination file will do their exams for this school year, even without the birth certificate.

Delivery of assistance

- ✓ UNICEF supported the regional delegation of health of Far North to organize the campaign against measles in the Mokolo health district including the refugee camp. Preliminary results show that: 98,937 out of a targeted 98,964 (99.3%) children aged 6 months to 15 years were vaccinated; among them 15,791 refugees and 1281 internally displaced children.
- ✓ UNICEF continues to support the screening of malnutrition in partnership with Cameroonian Red Cross and provide RUTF and medicines for outpatient therapeutic programme (OTP) in the camp. 675 new refugees have been screened, 9 children were SAM (1.3%) and 32 were MAM (4.7%).
- ✓ In the Minawao Camp, UNICEF continues to provide psychosocial support and recreational activities in the child friendly spaces. UNICEF also supported activities that benefited accompanied children and separated children in Minawao Nigerian refugees Camp.
- ✓ UNICEF pursues the activities regarding 105 children of *Institution Camerounaise de l'enfance* through educational activities on respect of another's properties and importance of personal hygiene.
- ✓ UNICEF improved water supply and sanitation to 6,500 refugees towards the construction of 390 sanitary blocks.