

# UNICEF Chad Situation Report

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## Highlights:

- Influx of more than 50,000 refugees and returnees from Darfur into Eastern Chad in the border town of Tissi.
- The Government of Chad launched an appeal for humanitarian assistance.
- A new site has been identified 30 km out of Tissi to relocate the refugees.
- Regular coordination meetings in Ndjamena, Goz Beida and Tissi.



UNICEF supported Health Clinic in Tissi

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## Situation Overview

- A previous evaluation conducted jointly by the Government, UNICEF, OCHA, UNHCR and NGOs from March 21 to March 23, 2013, reported 9,279 refugees and 10,878 returnees. The registered 9,279 refugees are being transferred to the existing refugee camp of Djabal and Goz A Mer. However, the majority of refugees do not want to be transferred; only 300 of them have been relocated so far.

- Reports from the field indicate that up to 50,000 refugees have crossed the border to Tissi, in Chad. The Government and UNHCR are still processing and registering the second influx of refugees.
- UNHCR has pre-registered 25,000 refugees and OIM 20,000 has recorded returnees as of today; the process is still on-going.
- Refugees and returnees are settling in and around Tissi in 8 sites and villages; access to basic social services is minimal.


### **Humanitarian Needs**

- Tissi is a remote border town between Chad, Sudan and CAR. The area is very difficult to access, with basic social services almost non-existent.
- At this time, UNICEF and partners are providing health, nutrition, protection, and WASH services in the town of Tissi and in the existing refugee camps of Djabla and Goz A Mir.
- UNICEF is providing humanitarian assistance to refugees, returnees and host populations.
- UNICEF is working with UNHCR to set up a new refugee camp in Sterena, 25 km outside of Goz Beida, and another new camp 30 km out of Tissi, however, the majority of refugees wish to stay in Tissi town.
- As the rainy season is fast approaching, there are risks of further deterioration of refugees' living conditions.
- The major gaps are in the areas of food assistance, WASH and Protection.
- Health services, as in curative consultations, are only available in Tissi town.

### **Inter-Agency Collaboration, Coordination and Key Partnerships**

- UNHCR is coordinating the humanitarian response on the ground. Meetings are held every Thursday in Ndjama by UNHCR to report on assessment and response activities.
- UNICEF, as lead for Nutrition, WASH, Education clusters, will hold cluster meetings to enhance preparedness and coordination.
- UNICEF signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with UNHCR, and is working closely with UNHCR to deliver a timely response on the ground.

### **UNICEF Response**

	<b>CHILD PROTECTION</b>
<b>Planned Response</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recruitment of a Protection Officer consultant to be based in Tissi</li> <li>• Programme Cooperation Agreement (PCA) with CHORA</li> </ul>	
<b>Key Actions to date</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24 community workers have been identified and trained on Child Protection monitoring and reporting</li> <li>• Regular Assessments conducted in partnership with <i>Direction Regionale Action Sociale du Sila</i> in 7 returnees' villages around Tissi</li> <li>• PCA signed with <i>Direction Regionale Action Sociale du Sila</i> to strengthen child protection mechanisms in returnees' villages</li> </ul>	



## EDUCATION

### Planned Response

- Partnership with UNHCR to provide learning spaces for Children

### Key Actions to date

- Prepositioning of 'school in a box' kits in the area



## HEALTH

### Planned Response

- Strengthen routine immunization
- Provide HIV/AIDS prevention, care and treatment, including Post Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP)
- Support emergency obstetrical and neonatal care
- Support maternal and child primary health care
- Health PO deployed to the field for response
- PCA with ASSAR

### Key Actions to date

- Procurement of 200,000 measles vaccine doses
- Immunization of 30,000 children
- Rehabilitation of Tissi health center
- C4D activities to promote health-seeking behavior
- Deployment of a midwife and 4 nurses to support the health center
- PCA with Regional Health Delegation to provide medical assistance in Tissi, including an immunization campaign

## NFI NON-FOOD ITEMS

### Planned Response

- Distribution of WASH materials and NFIs

### Key Actions to date

- 20 tons of supplies delivered to Tissi
- NFIs prepositioned in Goz Beida
- Additional NFIs delivered to UNHCR for transportation



## NUTRITION

### Planned Response

- Outpatient Therapeutic Care
- Plumpydoz Supplementary feeding to targeted group of children to prevent

- malnutrition
- Deployment of nutrition PO to the field for response and coordination

### Key Actions to date

- C4D activities
- Nutrition surveillance
- 200 cartons of BP5 delivered to 4,000 refugees



### Planned Response

- Distribute WASH-NFI Kits
- WASH PO deployed to the field for response and coordination
- 6 water points
- Project Cooperation Agreement with IAS

### Key Actions to date

- Drilling of 3 water points completed
- PCA with AFDI to provide hygiene promotion including water treatment
- PCA with *Direction Regionale Hydraulique* to provide 6 waters points
- Review of Contingency planning



WASH Infrastructures for Refugees



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