

for every child

CHAD FLOODS

FLASH UPDATE #4

31 October 2022



People affected:

1 million



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Children affected:

566,000

Funding needed:

US\$ 15.6 million

OVERVIEW

As of October 31, more than 1 million people (200,000 households) in 18 of Chad's 23 provinces are affected by floods. According to estimates, 465,030 hectares of farmland have been devastated so far, worsening the already dire food insecurity situation amid the prolonged impacts of the conflict in Ukraine.

Chad is severely affected by climate change and ranks second worldwide as a country in which children are the most at risk. In 2022, Chad recorded its heaviest rainfall in the past 30 years, resulting in rivers overflowing, rupturing the dikes. This year's floods demonstrate just how frequent extreme weather events are becoming in the Sahel region. The most affected provinces are Mayo Kebbi Est (246,103 people), Logone Occidental (147,129 people), Tandjilé (138,831 people), N'Djamena (98,785 people) and Mandoul (82,608 people).

In N'Djamena, river flooding has caused 16,756 households to flee their homes and take refuge in public space. Twelve sites have been identified by authorities in N'Djamena to shelter flood victims. While the water level seems to have stabilized reaching its peak level at 806 cm and is expected to start declining in the next coming weeks, the situation remains critical, and several areas of the capital continue facing the risk of flooding. Chad's transitional President declared a state of emergency, on October 19, over flooding and called on humanitarian organisations and the country's allies to support the government's efforts to meet the needs of the affected people.

HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

A joint Government and Humanitarian Country Team flood response plan has been developed which estimates that between October and November, 1.2 million people could be affected by the rain and river floods and will need multi-sectoral assistance.

The total amount required for this response plan is nearly US\$ 70 million targeting over 800,000 people. So far, 14,5% of the funds required for an appropriate multi-sectoral response have thus far been committed. Given UNICEF's funding gap of more than US\$ 15.6 million to provide live-saving assistance to affected families, urgent support is needed to help respond to the crisis.

UNICEF'S RESPONSE TO DATE



1,900 households (11,400 people including 6,441 children) have received WASH kits

6,200 people (including 2,503 children) have access to latrines



2 nutritional therapeutic centres have been set up in the two main floods victims' relocation sites in N'Djamena serving 7,902 children under-five



55,050 people including **31,103** children have access to lifesaving medicines

13,635 people have been provided with mosquito nets

Cholera kits are pre-positioned in several provinces to meet the needs of **1,500** people



12 Temporary Learning Spaces are under construction and rehabilitation of floodaffected schools is ongoing



25 separated children reunified with their families

6 Child Friendly Spaces have been set up to respond to the needs of **3,996** children.



1,000 households have been provided with shelters



7,214 households (43,286 people including 24,456 children) have received non-food items