Since September 2022, the worst floods in a decade have affected 3.2 million people across Nigeria, of which an estimated 60 per cent are children, with the highest number of displaced persons in Anambra, Bayelsa, Cross River and Jigawa States.

Heavy rainfall and overflow from rivers have damaged public health facilities, water systems, and sanitation facilities, increasing the risk of waterborne diseases, such as cholera, diarrhoea, and malaria, heightening the chances of an epidemic and increasing childhood illnesses. Children living in makeshift displacement sites lack basic facilities and are exposed to additional risks, such as separation from their families and gender-based violence.

On 11 October, the UN received a letter from the National Emergency Management Authority (NEMA) requesting that humanitarian partners provide international assistance in response to unprecedented flooding. UNICEF, in coordination with the Government, NGOs and other UN agencies, is scaling up an integrated emergency response in the affected areas for the implementation period of October 2022 to March 2023.
**JIGAWA STATE**

In need: 166,000 people affected and 68,900 displaced across 27 LGAs.

Ongoing response:
- **WASH**: provided 650 cholera kits, Water quality testing kits, and repair of WASH facilities
- **Child Protection**: supporting government agencies for community-based mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) and sexual gender-based violence (SGBV) awareness raising
- **Education**: 27 temporary learning centres, 3-month radio learning programmes, and 200 solar-powered radios
- **Nutrition**: Conducted a rapid nutrition screening in IDP camps and affected communities
- **Coordination**: Establish a multisectoral coordination committee and provide financial support for multisectoral rapid assessment

Planned response:
- **Health**: Emergency medical supplies (incl. Cholera kits) and financial support to Government-led mobile health teams
- **Nutrition**: Treatment of children with severe acute malnutrition (SAM)

**Borno, Adamawa and Yobe States**

In need: 210,800 people affected and 87,700 displaced across 43 of the 65 LGAs.

Ongoing response:
- **WASH**: Chlorination of water points, distribution of aquatabs, cholera kits, and hygiene kits, borehole and drainage construction, hygiene promotion, water trucking, and disinfection and latrine desludging
- **Health**: Set up oral rehydration points, providing essential medical supplies, stipends to healthcare workers, and capacity building to health facilities in response to malaria, pneumonia, and cholera/AWD outbreaks
- **Child Protection**: Awareness raising on open defecation, non-food items (NFIs) to 40 GBV survivors, 40 unaccompanied and separated children (UASC) and mothers with newborns, MHPSS, and child friendly spaces

**KADUNA STATE**

In need: 9,500 people affected and 2,300 displaced across 9 of the 23 LGAs.

Completed response:
- **Shock Responsive Social Protection**: Cash transfers provided to 5000 household in flood prone areas in August to mitigate the impact of the forecasted flooding. The cash primarily used for food and health-related services, followed by protection of assets

**Bayelsa State**

In need: 257,900 people affected and 219,400 displaced.

Ongoing response:
- **Health**: Financial support to the State Ministry of Health for medical outreaches to IDP camps and provision of essential medicine

Planned response:
- **WASH**: Latrine provision, water supply services, hygiene promotion and cholera risk awareness, and environmental sanitation
- **Health**: Integrated PHC services, essential medicine and health supplies, and community engagement to improve health-seeking behavior
- **Child Protection**: Case management and MHPSS activities, reunification services for UASC, and sensitization on GBV prevention
- **Cash and Voucher Assistance**: Provide multipurpose cash transfers to 3500 affected people

**Niger State**

In need: 37,000 people affected and 35,600 displaced across 19 of the 25 LGAs.

Ongoing response:
- **WASH & Health**: Cholera control NFIs, emergency health kits, dignity kits, water treatment solutions, handwashing stations, technical support on chlorination, and hygiene promotion

Planned response:
- **WASH**: Chlorination of unprotected water sources, the distribution of NFIs and health, WASH and menstrual hygiene kits.
- **Health**: Integrated PHC services, essential medicine and health supplies, and community engagement to improve health-seeking behavior
- **Child Protection**: Case management and MHPSS activities, reunification services for UASC, and sensitization on GBV prevention

**Anambra State**

In need: 729,000 people affected and 526,000 displaced across 13 of the 21 LGAs.

Planned response:
- **WASH**: Latrine provision, water supply services, hygiene promotion cholera kits and cholera risk awareness, and environmental sanitation
- **Health**: Integrated PHC services, essential medicine and health supply, and community engagement to improve health-seeking behavior
- **Child Protection**: Case management and MHPSS activities, reunification services for UASC, and sensitization on GBV prevention

**FUNDRAISING EFFORTS**

| Funds needed: $12 million | Funds available: $2.2 million | Funding gap: $9.8 million |

UNICEF Nigeria allocated limited internal resources for the flood response to address WASH and health needs in Jigawa and Niger States. However, there is currently a 82% funding gap. Urgent flexible funding is required to meet this urgent crisis. With your support UNICEF can assist in the emergency response to overcome the impact of flooding in Nigeria.

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