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# KENYA

## Humanitarian Situation Report

### SITUATION IN NUMBERS

## Highlights

- In January 2018, UNICEF has distributed 2,909 cartons of Ready-To-Use Therapeutic Food (RUTF) across nine counties.
- A total of 95,757 people (15,321 children under five) were reached with malaria control interventions including indoor residual spraying, distribution of insecticidal treated nets, as well as behaviour change communication.
- 1,333 (799 girls) children comprising of 203 (59 girls) refugee children and 1,130 (740 girls) drought-affected children in Isiolo, Mandera, Samburu and Tana River counties were reached with protection services.
- During January, 29,287 people including 2,300 school children in 8 primary schools accessed permanent safe water sources through UNICEF-supported rehabilitation of eight boreholes in Garissa County.
- A total of 817 Cholera cases, resulting in 10 deaths (CFR 1.2%) have been reported in 2018. UNICEF has distributed emergency health commodities to cover the needs of 50,000 beneficiaries for a period of 3 months.
- In 2018, UNICEF requires US\$ 33.7 million for its Humanitarian Action for Children (HAC) Appeal to respond to the humanitarian needs arising as a result of the ongoing drought, inter-communal conflict, disease outbreaks, flash floods and for the refugee response. The 2018 HAC has a funding gap of 84%.

## UNICEF's Key Response with Partners in 2018

	UNICEF		Sector	
	UNICEF Target	Cumulative Results	Sector <sup>1</sup> Target	Cumulative Results
<b>Nutrition:</b> children under 5 treated for SAM	78,925	Waiting for collation of data <sup>2</sup>	78,925	Waiting for collation of data
<b>Nutrition:</b> children under 5 treated for MAM	194,656	Waiting for collation of data	194,656	Waiting for collation of data
<b>Health:</b> children under 5 accessing integrated package of health interventions including diarrhea, malaria and pneumonia diseases	814,500	95,757		
<b>WASH:</b> persons affected by crises are reached with [permanent] safe water interventions	250,000	29,287	TBD	29,287
<b>Child Protection:</b> most affected boys and girls have access to protective case management services	30,000	1,333	TBD	1,333
<b>Education:</b> school-aged children (including adolescents) affected by crises accessing quality education	205,000		TBD	
<b>HIV:</b> children, adolescents and pregnant women have access to HIV testing services	120,000	-		

## 31 January 2018

**3.4 million**

People are food insecure  
(2017 Long Rains Assessment, August 2017)

**3.5 million**

People are in urgent need of safe drinking water (Ministry of Water and Irrigation, June 2017)

**1.6 million**

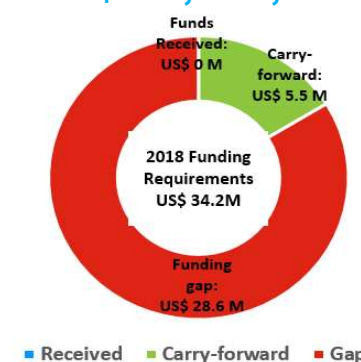
Children are food insecure  
(2017 Long Rains Assessment, June 2017)

**104,614**

Children under 5 in need of SAM treatment (Nutrition SMART Surveys, July 2017, total caseload)

## UNICEF HAC Appeal 2018

**US\$ 33,735,000**



\*Funds available include funding received against current appeal as well as carry-forward from the previous year (US\$ 5.5 million, which includes US\$1.7 million for the refugee response).

<sup>1</sup> Sector response planning for 2018 is ongoing

<sup>2</sup> The reports for January 2018 will be uploaded in the District Health Information System (DHIS) by mid-February. The cumulative results will be updated in the next sitrep.

## Situation Overview & Humanitarian Needs

According to FEWSNET, dry conditions prevailed over the pastoral areas in January 2018, and only some of the southernmost marginal agricultural areas received scattered rainfall. Overall, Stressed (IPC Phase 2) food security outcomes persist across the majority of pastoral and marginal agricultural areas. However, Crisis (IPC Phase 3) food security outcomes continue in parts of Isiolo and Tana River due to poor food and income availability. According to the National Drought Management Authority (NDMA), the October to December 2017 short rains were poorly distributed with below normal rainfall in some areas. Consequently, early recovery has been less than anticipated, and not sufficient to sustain households through the hot dry months starting January to end of March 2018. A total of 13 of the 23 ASAL Counties (56%) are experiencing normal drought status, while six counties (Isiolo, Kajiado, Tana River, Garissa, Kilifi and Wajir) are in Alarm drought status showing a worsening trend and are reporting increasing water stress; and five Counties (Mandera, Kitui, Marsabit, Taita Taveta and Tharaka Nithi) are in Alert drought status. Currently, 3.4 million people are in still in need of food assistance. The drought has also contributed to resource-based inter-communal conflict in Eldas and Buna sub-counties of Wajir County, resulting in the closure of Lakole North, Basir North, Masale North, Sigderr, Sala and Kuro primary schools in Buna, affecting learning for over 500 children.

According to the latest Ministry of Health Disease Outbreak situation report dated 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018, six counties (Siaya, Garissa, Siaya, Tharaka Nithi, Meru and Busia) are still reporting an active Cholera outbreak since beginning of the year, while the outbreak has been controlled in Kirinyaga and Mombasa counties. A total of 817 Cholera cases resulting in 10 deaths (CFR 1.2%) have been reported in 2018. In addition, Mombasa County has reported Chikungunya outbreak with a total of 453 cases, 33 confirmed.

According to the Child Protection Information Management System (CPIMS) data, a total of 452 (78 boys and 174 girls) new refugee children were received in Kakuma Refugee Camp by 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Of these, a total 111 (33 girls) were separated children, and 92 (66 boys and 26 girls) were unaccompanied. Most partners supporting refugee education services have experienced huge budget cuts leading to reduction of personnel and support to local Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) that has sometimes led to demonstrations by refugee host communities, disrupting learning in Kakuma for children in both the host communities and in the refugee population.

Estimated Population in Need of Humanitarian Assistance: 3,889,239 <sup>3</sup> (Estimates calculated based on Government Long Rains Assessment conducted in July 2017 and the UNHCR Refugee data)			
Start of humanitarian response: 10 February 2017 <sup>4</sup>			
	Total	Male	Female
Total Population in Need	3,889,239	1,905,727	1,983,512
Children (Under 18)	1,827,942	895,692	932,250
Children Under Five	583,386	285,859	297,497
Children 6 to 23 months	233,354	114,343	119,011
Pregnant and lactating women	233,354	0	233,354

## Humanitarian Strategy and Coordination

Building on results achieved in 2017, UNICEF is continuing to strengthen engagement with the devolved system of governance in Kenya, especially in strengthening county capacity for emergency preparedness and response as well as direct implementation. UNICEF is focusing on strengthening sector coordination, multi-sectoral coordination both at national and sub national levels and cross-border coordination. Education will create an integrated service provision platform for engagement and for supporting shared goals with other sectors in strengthening community resilience. In 2018, UNICEF and partners will respond to the survival and protection needs of more than one million children in emergency situations by delivering nutrition treatment; increasing access to safe water, hygiene and sanitation; strengthening disease prevention and response, improving access to quality education; and providing protection mitigation services, particularly for refugee children and children affected by natural disasters and resource-based community conflicts. UNICEF's emergency preparedness and response will bridge the humanitarian development nexus through scalable risk informed programming. C4D strategies will be used to mobilize, engage and provide information for community response and resilience building. Response to refugee influxes will continue including emergency WASH, Health, nutrition and education and protection services to new arrivals in Kakuma and children affected by the voluntary repatriation of refugees to Somalia.

## UNICEF's Response with Partners – Summary Programme Response

### NUTRITION

During January 2018, UNICEF has distributed 2,909 cartons of Ready-To-Use Therapeutic Food (RUTF) through the Kenya Essential Medical Supply Authority (KEMSA) across nine counties (Garissa, Nairobi, Mombasa, Kilifi, Narok, Machakos,

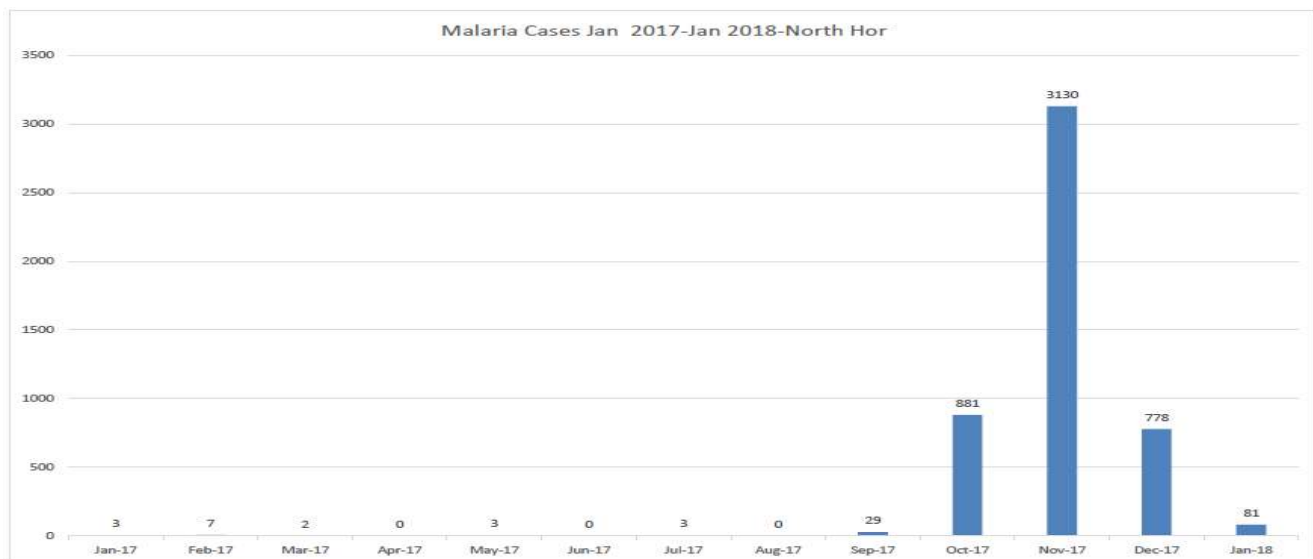
<sup>3</sup> Food insecure population and refugees

<sup>4</sup> The food security and nutrition situation has deteriorated significantly since the end of 2016, with the President of Kenya declaring a national disaster on 10 February 2017

Makueni, Kitui, Kajiado. An additional two counties (Makueni and Machakos) have been sensitized on nutrition commodity supply chain integration through the government system of KEMSA for improved efficiency and sustainability. This brings the total of number of counties now delivering nutrition commodities through KEMSA to twenty (nineteen ASAL counties and Nairobi). The final four counties of the 24 targeted by UNICEF will be added in March 2018. Coordination capacity strengthening training has been conducted in Wajir county between 15 -17 January reaching 34 Government staff members as part of ongoing effort by UNICEF to strengthen nutrition coordination capacity at county and sub county level. UNICEF is also working with key partners from the Ministry of Health (MoH) and CSOs to review the current outreach strategy given the likely reduced humanitarian crisis and resources, noting that it is a highly effective strategy to reach children with lifesaving health and nutrition services in the most remote areas. Led by the National Drought Management Authority (NDMA), the 2017 Short Rains Food Security Assessment (LRA) is ongoing, and the pre-assessment training workshop for sector partners begun on 30 January and will end on 2 February 2018. In addition, 11 nutrition SMART surveys supported by UNICEF will be conducted in seven nutritionally vulnerable counties as part of the LRA. The data from the surveys will be used to update the IPC classification in terms of food and nutrition security severity and numbers of population in crisis, which will be released by the Government on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2018.

## HEALTH

In January 2018, 95,757 people were reached with malaria control interventions, of which approximately 15,321 are children under five, in the continuing response to the malaria outbreak and to halt any resurgence in Turkana and Marsabit counties. Of this total, 41,684 people in 6,008 households in Turkana were protected from malaria and leishmaniasis through Indoor Residual Spraying (IRS) (98% of targeted households were sprayed); 31,897 Long lasting insecticidal nets (LLINs) were distributed in Turkana protecting 54,073 people from malaria and leishmaniasis (7,167 <5 children and 1,645 pregnant women in Kibish sub-county, 19,639 in North and 25,622 in East). In addition, 186 Educators in Turkana County were trained on malaria related IEC and were engaged in Door-Door interpersonal Communication and group IEC campaigns during IRS implementation in all target locations in Turkana East, North and Kibish Sub Counties. 24 health workers in Turkana County received trainings on case management of malaria, Dengue fever and malaria related IEC in Marsabit resulting in prompt diagnosis and management of cases. 29,317 people were directly reached by malaria messages through door to door interpersonal communication, public gathering and health talks in schools and public hospitals in the targeted areas as well as malaria education messages through distribution of 4,663 Behaviour Change Communication materials comprising of Posters, flyers on IRS and use of LLINs which were distributed by community volunteers during community campaigns, public meetings and door-to-door Interpersonal communication sessions. As a result of UNICEF rapid response to malaria epidemic in Turkana and Marsabit Counties, there has been a sharp decrease in malaria caseload and the outbreak contained. A joint programmatic monitoring in Turkana North Sub-county by UNICEF and Mentor initiative validated the results by interviewing communities and health facility teams on interventions, observing use of mosquito nets and making corrective measures in implementation of interventions.



In support to the ongoing Cholera response, UNICEF has distributed emergency health commodities to selected counties to cover 50,000 beneficiaries for the period between January and March 2018. In addition, technical assistance is being provided through Garissa and Kisumu zonal offices.

## HIV

In January 2018, UNICEF's efforts have been primarily focused on planning with national and sub-national level Ministry of Health counterparts as well as with implementing partners in delivery high impact interventions in the humanitarian

context. Planning has been focused on mop up activities for PMTCT, paediatric and adolescent HIV interventions in view of the shocks and stresses the country faced in 2017. Additionally, efforts have been on evidence generation (assessing the impact of drought on HIV programmes and clinical outcomes of children and adolescents living with HIV), results of which should inform HIV programming at national and sub-national levels.

## WASH

During the reporting period, a total of 29,287 women, girls, boys and men including 2,300 school children in eight primary schools accessed permanent safe water sources through UNICEF-supported rehabilitation of eight boreholes in Garissa County. The 2,300 school children also benefitted from hygiene education within their learning environment. Another 3,200 drought and cholera affected households (16,000 people) in Garissa (1200 HHs) and Wajir (2000 HHs) Counties were reached with safe hygiene messages including the distribution of soap, buckets and jeri cans to promote safe hygiene practices. In order to improve the sustained access to safe water, UNICEF completed an assessment of water point functionality in Garissa and Tana River counties, while Wajir County assessment is in progress. In parallel, UNICEF is also scaling up its partnerships with implementing partners to put in place a response in these counties following the outcome of the assessments.

## CHILD PROTECTION

During January 2018, 1,333 (799 girls) children comprising of 203 (59 girls) refugee children and 1,130 (740 girls) drought-affected children in Isiolo, Mandera, Samburu and Tana River counties were reached with protection services. Of these, a total of 203 unaccompanied and separated children in Kakuma refugee camps are receiving child protection support through an integrated case and information management system; a total of 164 children in the drought-prone counties were rescued from child labour and facilitated to return to school; 416 neglected children were supported with food items and mosquito nets and 550 children received at least one follow-up visit in the course of the month following identification and assessment of individual child protection risks. Direct support to children was complemented through capacity building for community members, with 551 (350 female) community members in Isiolo and Tana River Counties sensitized on risks that drought-affected children are facing with the increased migration in search of water and pasture. Coordination at the County level between Department of Children Services and the County Governments has been strengthened to facilitate effective planning and prioritization of appropriate child protection interventions.

## EDUCATION

In January 2018, a total of 1,598 (616 female) children in target communities benefited from Education in Emergencies interventions. Of these, 35,000 (about 40% girls) refugee and host community children in Kakuma refugee camp and Kalobeyi settlement are benefitting from distribution of UNICEF education supplies that include 25 class room tents, 150 recreational kits, 350 education kits and 418 ECD kits. In Dadaab refugee camp, a total of 457 (199 girls) Alternative Education Programme (AEP) learners which includes 51 (26 boys) newly enrolled children have also been supported with sanitary towels, 300 solar lanterns, 200 uniforms and text books through NRC partnership, and 112 (30 girls) AEP learners have been facilitated to transition into the formal education system. In addition, UNICEF has supported NRC to undertake AEP infrastructure assessment and rehabilitation of classrooms and latrines in eight learning centres. UNICEF has also supported Tawakal and Dagahaley secondary schools with five class room tents each benefitting 500 (170 girls) learners. In contribution to the ongoing cholera response, UNICEF has distributed IEC posters in Alango Arba and Gorow primary schools in Hagarbul host communities of Garissa County, benefitting 529 (217 girls) with cholera prevention skills.

On capacity building, UNICEF has facilitated the training of 330 (63 Female) teachers, 24 head teachers, 55 mentors and 25 peer coaches on pedagogical skills and child-sensitive teaching methods in Kakuma Refugee Camps through Teachers Columbia University partnership. UNICEF has also coordinated the national Ministry of Education (MoE) and the Turkana West sub-county director of education to undertake a comprehensive education assessment that will culminate into a report that will guide education interventions prioritization in Turkana including the refugee education programming by stakeholders. Through NRC partnership, a total of 35 (4 female) AEP teachers were trained on Non-formal Education (NFE) Curriculum implementation, new AEP guidelines/competency based curriculum and mainstreaming children with special needs into the AEP programme.

## Cash-based programming

UNICEF is continuing to support the Government in the top-up cash transfer process for 6,200 vulnerable households (12,000 children) in Isiolo County. Currently, community sensitization and awareness is ongoing, and cash transfers to the households are expected to be done in March 2018.

## Communications for Development (C4D), Community Engagement & Accountability

As part of Cholera prevention and response in Nairobi County, Cholera messaging in public service vehicles using both video and radio is ongoing on eleven bus routes, targeting approximately two million daily commuters in Nairobi City and its environs.

## Media and External Communication

In January 2018, updates were made on social media on the various activities undertaken to improve access to safe water in Garissa through the supply of [8 generators to the county government](#), the hand-over of ambulances in [Turkana and Homa Bay](#) and coverage of the visit by [UK Secretary of State for International Development](#). The nomadic strategy used in the [Integrated Immunization Campaign in Garissa](#) was also highlighted and a [video showcasing ECHO support in the refugee context](#) was posted. A forum held in Isiolo for [learning and understanding Child Protection in emergencies](#) was also featured on Twitter.

## Supply & Logistics

In January 2018, UNICEF focused on the yearly planning for procurement and distribution of supplies. Receipt and dispatch of emergency supplies continued with no challenges experienced.

## Security

In January 2018, the security situation remained calm across the country.

## Funding

In 2018, UNICEF requires **US\$ 34.2 million** for its Humanitarian Action for Children (HAC) Appeal in Kenya to respond to the humanitarian needs of children in Kenya as a result of the ongoing drought, refugee response, inter-communal conflict, disease outbreaks and flash floods. The 2018 HAC has a funding gap of 84%.

Appeal Sector	HAC 2018 Requirements	Funds Available		Funding Gap	
		Funds Received**	Carry-Forward Funds from 2017*	\$	%
Nutrition	10,000,000	0	2,409,124	7,590,876	76%
Health	6,300,000	0	497,651	5,802,349	92%
Water, sanitation and hygiene	4,000,000	0	311,705	3,688,295	92%
Child protection	1,000,000	0	232,991		77%
Education	5,935,000	0	1,617,881	4,317,119	73%
HIV/AIDS	500,000	0	0	500,000	100%
Social Protection	2,000,000	0	0	2,000,000	100%
Cluster/sector coordination	4,500,000	0	500,081	3,999,919	89%
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,235,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,569,433</b>	<b>28,665,567</b>	<b>84%</b>

\* Carry-forward from the previous year (US\$ 5.5 million, which includes US\$ 1.7 million for the refugee response). The carry-forward figure is provisional and subject to change.

\*\*Funds received is funding received against current appeal

## Next SitRep: 28 February 2018

UNICEF Kenya HAC appeal: <https://www.unicef.org/appeals/kenya.html>

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## Annex A

### SUMMARY OF PROGRAMME RESULTS 2018

	Sector Response				UNICEF and Implementing Partners		
	Overall needs	2018 <sup>5</sup> Target	Total Results	Change since last report ▲ ▼	2018 Target	Total Results	Change since last report ▲ ▼
<b>NUTRITION</b>							
Children under 5 treated for SAM	104,614	78,925	Waiting for collation of data <sup>6</sup>	N/A	78,925	Waiting for collation of data	N/A
Children under 5 treated for MAM	378,268	194,656	Waiting for collation of data	N/A	194,656	Waiting for collation of data	N/A
<b>HEALTH</b>							
Children under 5 accessing integrated package of health interventions including diarrhea, malaria and pneumonia diseases					814,500	95,757	N/A
Children under 5 vaccinated against measles					641,817	-	N/A
<b>WASH</b>							
Persons affected by crises are reached with [permanent] safe water interventions	3,500,000	TBD	29,287	N/A	250,000	29,287	N/A
People reached with hygiene education essential for disease prevention and response	TBD	TBD	16,000	N/A	400,000	16,000	N/A
Children accessing appropriate hygiene education in schools, temporary learning spaces and other child friendly spaces	TBD	TBD	2300	N/A	100,000	2,300	N/A
<b>CHILD PROTECTION</b>							
Most affected boys and girls have access to protective case management services	325,000	95,000	1,333	N/A	30,000	1,333	N/A
<b>EDUCATION</b>							
school-aged children (including adolescents) affected by crises accessing quality education	1,150,000	635,000	1,598	N/A	205,000	1,598	N/A
<b>HIV and AIDS</b>							
children, adolescents and pregnant women have access to HIV testing services					120,000	-	N/A
adolescents receive age appropriate SRH/HIV messaging incorporated with life skills education in humanitarian settings					15,000	-	
<b>SOCIAL PROTECTION</b>							
vulnerable households reached with cash transfer top up during crises					30,000	-	N/A

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