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HIGHLIGHTS

- The Japanese government has made an emergency grant of USD\$855,000 through the UN to assist the abducted Chibok girls and their community in Borno State.
- One in three primary school children and one in four junior secondary school children are out of school in the Northeast. In Borno alone, 250,000 children are out of school.
- USD\$100 million targeted for the Safe School Initiative. Private Sector and Government contribute USD\$20 million.
- Sub-National coordination mechanism established in nine states. Election hotspot analysis and preparedness planning kick started.
- ERC to release USD\$3.5 million CERF for life-saving activities in Nigeria.

Sub-National Coordination Launched in the Northeast

Sub-National Coordination Mechanism in Nine States

In line with the National Emergency Management Agency's (NEMA) plan to strengthen State Emergency Management Agencies' (SEMAs) capacity for effective emergency preparedness and response, OCHA, in partnership with the Inter Sector Working Group / Emergency Preparedness and Response Working Group (EPRWG), organized a three-day workshop to build capacity for sub national coordination for North East and North Central states.



Participants at the Sub-National Coordination Forum Lagos. Credit: OCHA

The workshop which was held in Lagos 23-25 June was attended by State Emergency Management Agencies (SEMAs), State Ministries of Education, Agriculture, Health, and Women Affairs. The targeted states included the three states under emergency rule (*viz.* Borno, Yobe and Adamawa), the three neighbouring states of Bauchi, Gombe and Taraba, and the states currently affected by inter-communal conflict (*viz.* Plateau, Nasarawa and Benue).

At the end of workshop, participants agreed on the structure for the sub-national coordination mechanism which comprises the State Humanitarian Coordination Forum (SHCF), and the Humanitarian Sector Working Groups (HSWGs). The SHCFs are chaired by SEMAs and include key state ministries, the UN, INGOs, NGOs and Faith-based Organizations. The HSWGs are led by relevant line ministries. Their functions include preparedness planning, response coordination and reporting. All the nine targeted states have established field coordination hubs.

KEY FIGURES FOR NIGERIA:

No. of IDPs	705,000
IDPs in the NE	646,693

Nb. of children <5 estimated SAM	500,000
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Nb. of cholera cases in 2014 (Week 27)	24,683
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FUNDING STATUS

2014:
 USD\$75million requested
USD\$ 9.8 million received (in SRP)
USD\$19 million received (outside SRP)

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Conflict Hotspot Analysis and Preparedness Planning

NEMA and partners developed a multi-hazard Contingency Plan in 2010, which identified conflict management as a process for further planning. With the Presidential Elections due in February 2015, partners, including the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) and the Nigerian Red Cross Society, are working together to develop contingency plans. The UN has committed to update and operationalize the Contingency Plan developed in 2010. Towards this end, the Inter Sector Working Group/EPRWG has set up nine out of the planned 15 Field Hubs in the most at-risk states that have been highlighted by the CLEEN Foundation's conflict risk analysis. The Inter Sector Working Group/EPRWG planning meeting that took place 26-27 June, 2014 in Lagos reviewed the risk analysis, triggers, indicators, and scenarios leading to the development of an election hotspot mapping.

School Dropout Rate in Northeast Worrying

One in Three Children not Attending Primary School

UNICEF has reported that education in the Northeast is on the decline due to the persistent attacks by the Boko Haram insurgents on schools and communities. In addition, the agency noted that one in every three primary school children and one in every four junior secondary school children are out of school. Nearly 6.3 million, or 60 per cent, of the 10.5 million out of school children in all of Nigeria are in the northern part of the country.

The Federal Government has noted that the abduction of the Chibok girls in Borno State has impacted negatively on its efforts and strategies to promote the girl-child education and balance the gender gaps in education. According to the Borno State Ministry of Education, over 250,000 school age children are out of school due to the insurgency. The majority of these are girls from poor households.

Safe Schools Initiative Kicks Off

The Education in Emergency Working Group (EiEWG) led by the Federal Ministry of Education in partnership with other actors have kick started the implementation of the Safe Schools Initiative. A Safe School manual that highlights safety and security best practices for parents, students and staff of educational institutions has been developed to operationalise this initiative. The Federal Government inaugurated a steering committee for the Safe Schools Initiative comprised of stakeholders from civil society groups, the public and private sectors. Nigerian business leaders through the Global Business Coalition for Education had pledged USD\$10 million to support 500 schools and communities towards improving access to education. On June 17, the initiative was further boosted with a USD\$10 million contribution by the Federal government as a start-off fund. The initiative aims to raise USD\$100 million.

Cholera Update

Doctor's Strike Worsens Cholera Response

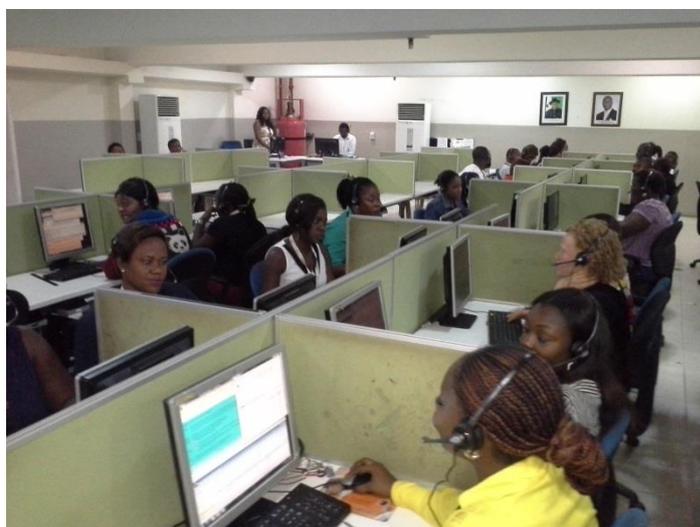
According to WHO report, as of week 27, 488 cholera cases including 33 deaths (CFR is 6.8 per cent) were reported from 24 Local Government Areas (LGAs) in eight States (*viz.* Adamawa, Bauchi, Borno, Kaduna, Kano, Kebbi, Plateau and Zamfara). Four States (*viz.* Kano, Kaduna, Kebbi and Zamfara) accounted for about 82 per cent (400/488) of the cholera cases reported. This represents an increase when compared with the 426 cholera cases including 23 deaths in the previous week. Cumulatively, 24,683 cases have been reported as at week 27.

With the on-going cholera challenges in Bauchi State, health authorities in the state have expressed concern over the current nationwide strike by government employed resident doctors. The strike is likely to compound an already concerning health situation in Bauchi and neighbouring states where efforts are on-going to contain the outbreak of cholera since the beginning of the year. There is also growing concern that the cholera situation in Kebbi, Kano and Zamfara states, which account for most of the new outbreaks, could overwhelm existing healthcare capacities of local authorities should the outbreak continue.

Lagos State: Modeling Urban Disaster Best Practices

Lagos SEMA Hosts North East, North Central SEMAs

Lagos State Emergency Management Agency (LASEMA) hosted the State Emergency Management Agencies (SEMAs) of the North East and North Central States of Nasarawa, Plateau and Benue from 23-27 June 2014. LASEMA showcased its emergency prevention, preparedness, mitigation, recovery and response strategies, which it executes in partnership with other key stakeholders and NGOs, categorized as primary, secondary and tertiary responders.



Lagos State Emergency Management Agency's 24/7 Call Centre.
Credit: LASEMA

With some 18 million people and a population density of over 4,000 persons per kilometre square, Lagos is one of the most densely populated cities in the world. As a mega-city, Lagos is prone to floods, collapsed buildings, fires, petroleum pipe bursts/vandalism, epidemic outbreaks, kerosene explosions and inter com-

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munal clashes. The city is also exposed to sea-level rise, marine accidents, terrorist attacks, plane crashes and oil spillage.

To mitigate large-scale flood-related displacement, LASEMA, with funding from the State, has domesticated the Kampala Convention to support urban displacement in Lagos state. It has established 1,760 and 2,000 capacity relief and rehabilitation camps in Agbowa and Ajegunle to provide temporary shelter to Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), while mitigation efforts and/or re-settlement plans are being rolled out to support the displaced in a secure, dignified and protected environment.

To promote durable solutions, LASEMA secured land where people displaced from high risk areas are resettled permanently with provisions for vocational skills and livelihood training (see [LASEMA Bulletin](#)).

Humanitarian Response in Brief

Japan Supports UN Humanitarian Action in the Northeast

The Government of Japan has made an emergency grant of USD\$855,000 to support the Chibok community in Borno State. This grant was made following the request by the UN and the Federal Government through the Integrated Support Package (ISP) for the Northeast. The fund was extended to UNICEF, ILO and UNFPA to provide protection for survivors of sexual and gender based violence and psychosocial support for the abducted school girls and their families.

NEMA Provides Relief Materials to over 15,000 Displaced People in Kaduna State

Recent attacks on rural communities by gunmen led to a displacement of more than 15,000 people in the Sanga Local Government Area of Kaduna State. The displaced persons are taking refuge at a primary school and at the Divisional Police Station in Gwantu, the headquarters of the local council. The State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA), the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) and officials of the state ministry of health have conducted a rapid assessment and responded with relief supplies consisting of a three-month food ration and non-food items including cooking utensils, clothing and beddings.

Federal Government Releases 18,200 Metric Tonnes of Grains to SoE

The Federal Ministry of Agriculture has distributed 18,200 metric tonnes of grains to the three northeast states under emergency (viz. Borno, Yobe and Adamawa) from the national strategic grain reserve to cushion the effect of food insecurity and high cost of food stuff in the area.

Vulnerable households and IDPs in these states are still reeling from the effects of recurrent attacks and multiple displacements due to the insurgency, affecting livelihoods production capacities and weakening crop reserves and livestock. The coping mechanisms of the affected people are depleted and not able to withstand any further shocks. Negative coping mechanisms, including sale of assets, meal reduction, and debt accumulation have been reported by partners. The targeted grain release by Government aims to cushion the affected people against further deterioration.

UNICEF Steps up Lifesaving Interventions in the Northeast

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UNICEF has provided three 2,000-litre tanks, blankets, mattresses, soap, and other basic items for the Chibok community in Borno state. In its effort to treat 11,300 severely malnourished children in Borno and Yobe states, it has deployed more than 1,000 basic healthcare kits to treat over 400,000 people. The kits were funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

UNICEF is working to increase the number of Primary Health Care centres it supports in the two states of Yobe and Borno from 43 to 65. It plans to procure additional essential medicines, medical supplies and equipment for the health centres, and help ensure the facilities operate six days a week to provide routine immunization, maternal health services and outpatient curative services. This project is funded through the assistance of the government of Japan, the European Union and the Children's Investment Fund Foundation.

ICRC Responses in 2014

The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and the Nigerian Red Cross Society (NRCS) have reached nearly 50,000 Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) and vulnerable people with humanitarian support since the beginning of 2014. In Plateau state, the organization has distributed maize seed and fertilizer to 24,500 IDPs to boost food production.

In Kaduna state, 76,000 litres of water was trucked to 2,000 IDPs at Bondong Primary School in Kaura. Some 1,190 people wounded in armed violence in northern Nigeria and in Abuja also received emergency first-aid care. Surgical and first-aid equipment and supplies were made to 17 hospitals with an ICRC surgical team on standby to assist with the management and treatment of people wounded by firearms or explosive devices.

Christian Aid Supports 50,000 IDPs in Benue with Relief

Christian Aid and partners distributed three-month food rations and non-food items such as water containers and purifiers, mosquito nets, sanitary towels and cooking utensils to the over 50,000 IDPs in Makurdi Benue State. In addition, they provided psychosocial support, general health education, water, sanitation and hygiene promotion to help prevent the spread of disease.

Humanitarian Access

Frequency of Attacks at Highest Levels since SoE Imposed

Humanitarian access remains severely impeded by the insecurity in the North-east. Frequency and fatality of attacks are currently at their highest levels since the State of Emergency (SoE) was imposed. Human Rights Watch reported this month that since the beginning of the year, 2,053 people have been killed in 95 attacks in Nigeria by suspected insurgents tied to the conflict in the Northeast. Attacks this year have escalated in frequency and violence with near daily attacks by insurgents on communities occurring throughout the country, and particularly in the Northeast. Common targets remain the vast rural communities, schools, and highways that connect the Northeast towns to each other. All roads leading to and out of Maiduguri the capital of the state are subject to attack. All commercial flights to Maiduguri the capital of Borno State remain suspended. There are no Government imposed restrictions on travel to Borno state, however, there are in place protocols to follow to ensure safety.

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Funding Status Overview

Strategic Response Plan Appeal funded at only 13 per cent

Five months after its launch, the Nigeria 2014 Strategic Response Plan (SRP) is funded at only 13 per cent, receiving USD\$9.8 million against its USD\$75 million requirement. This represents a USD\$7.1 million or 9 per cent increase as compared to last reporting period. More funding is urgently required to address the pressing needs especially in the Northeast and to build resilience and address pressing humanitarian concerns. The Emergency Relief Coordinator, Valerie Amos, recently allocated an additional USD\$3.5 million under the CERF under-funded emergencies window to address the shortfall in the funding received to date to support the Strategic Response Plan for Nigeria.