



HIGHLIGHTS

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Asylum seekers have been registered since January 2014, including 47 asylum seekers in September.

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Persons departed on resettlement since January 2014 including 3 persons in September.

12

Persons with specific needs were assisted with monthly subsistence allowance in September.

327

Refugees attended sensitization on Ebola Virus Disease in Lagos and Ijebu Ode and were provided with hygiene materials in September.

Population of concern

A total of **2,490** people of concern

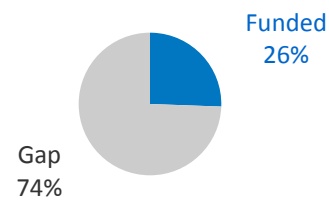
By country of origin

Nigeria	Refugees	Asylum Seekers	Total PoC
Congo DRC	544	344	888
Cameroon	547	11	558
Mali	102	236	338
Cote d'Ivoire	107	52	159
Chad	76	30	106
Others	205	236	441
Total	1581	909	2490

Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) **650,000**

Funding

USD 5,473,649 million requested



UNHCR Presence

Staffing:

20 National Staff 02 International Staff

Offices:

01 Branch Office in Abuja 02 Field Offices in Lagos and Bauchi



WORKING WITH PARTNERS

In order to ensure the protection of refugees and coordinate their assistance, UNHCR works closely with **governmental partners**: National Commission for Refugees, Migration and Internally Displaced Persons (NCFRMI), National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) as well as other **UN Agencies**. UNHCR also works with **implementing partners**: Small and Medium Enterprises Development Agency of Nigeria (SMEDAN) National Red Cross Society (NRCS), Justice Development and Peace Commission (JDPC); **NGOs**: CARITAS, Jama'atul Nasarul Islam (JNI), Action Aid and **IDP-related working groups**. UNHCR collaborates with **ECOWAS** through the framework of a MoU signed in 2001.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Protection

- **Asylum seekers**: A total of 406 asylum seekers have been registered since January 2014, including 47 asylum seekers in the month of September 2014.
- **Durable solutions**: 3 persons departed on resettlement in September thus making a total of 111 departed persons on resettlement in 2014.

Education

- UNHCR educational support to refugees is in progress. 276 children (85%) between 6 and 11 years attending primary school, 65 refugees under secondary education sponsorship and 8 students under DAFI scholarship programme for university in Nigeria have benefited from this support. A total of 117 primary school students and 40 secondary school students were assisted with education allowance for the third term of 2013/2014 academic session.

Health

- UNHCR Nigeria procured sanitizers and hygiene material for staff, refugees, asylum seekers and IDPs in Lagos, Ijebu Ode, Ituav and Gombe as a preventive measure for Ebola outbreak in Nigeria.

Community Empowerment and Self-Reliance

- Ebola sensitization was conducted first week of September 2014 in Lagos, Ijebu Ode, Ituav and Gombe for refugees, asylum seekers and IDPs, jointly with WHO, Ministry of Health, civil societies and other governmental bodies.
- A monitoring of the livelihood support programme for urban refugees was carried out jointly by UNHCR and Partners – NCFRMI and JDPC. The objective of the exercise is to evaluate the impact the support provided to refugees has made on their lives. The monitoring includes administering questionnaires on the beneficiaries of the livelihood support and visiting some business sites of the beneficiaries.

Operation management:

- UNHCR Nigeria submitted a proposal to CERF for USD 550,000. The amount is to cover support to victims of SGBV in Yobe and Borno states. The submission is done jointly with other UN agencies (UNICEF, UNFPA and IOM) working in the protection sector.
- Following the mid-year review, revised partnership agreements were signed with NCFRMI and JDPC. The agreements cover protection and assistance to refugees and asylum seekers in Nigeria.

Collaboration with ECOWAS Commission

- Adoption by ECOWAS Commission of the Joint UNHCR-ECOWAS Action Plan for 2014-2017 and the follow up mechanism on the progress made in the implementation of the joint Action Plan.
- Ongoing consultations between the Office and the ECOWAS Commission on preparation of the Regional Ministerial Conference on Statelessness in West Africa to be organized by UNHCR and ECOWAS Commission initially in October 2014 in Cote d'Ivoire. Due to Ebola outbreak in West Africa, the Conference was postponed to the first quarter of 2015.

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