

# Angola

14 November – 17 December 2018

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## KEY INDICATORS

**75%**

of Congolese refugees from Kasai in Angola are women and children

**36,452**

Biometrically registered Congolese refugees in Lunda Norte Province. Total of **23,297 refugees** are currently receiving food assistance.

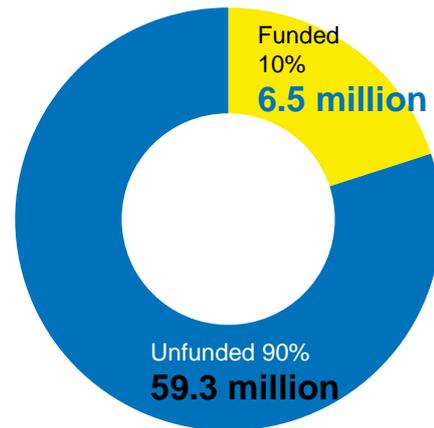
**50,000**

Inter-agency planning figure for Congolese refugees by the

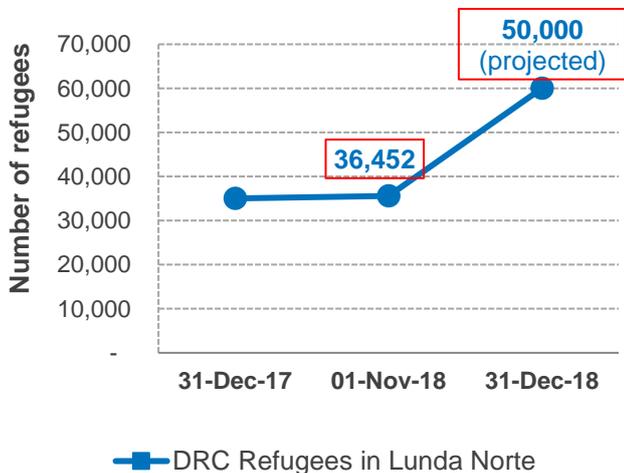
## FUNDING

**USD 66 million**

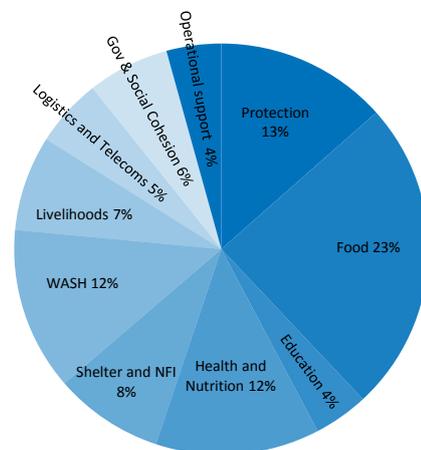
requested for the Kasai emergency



## POPULATION TRENDS



## FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS



## Update on Achievements

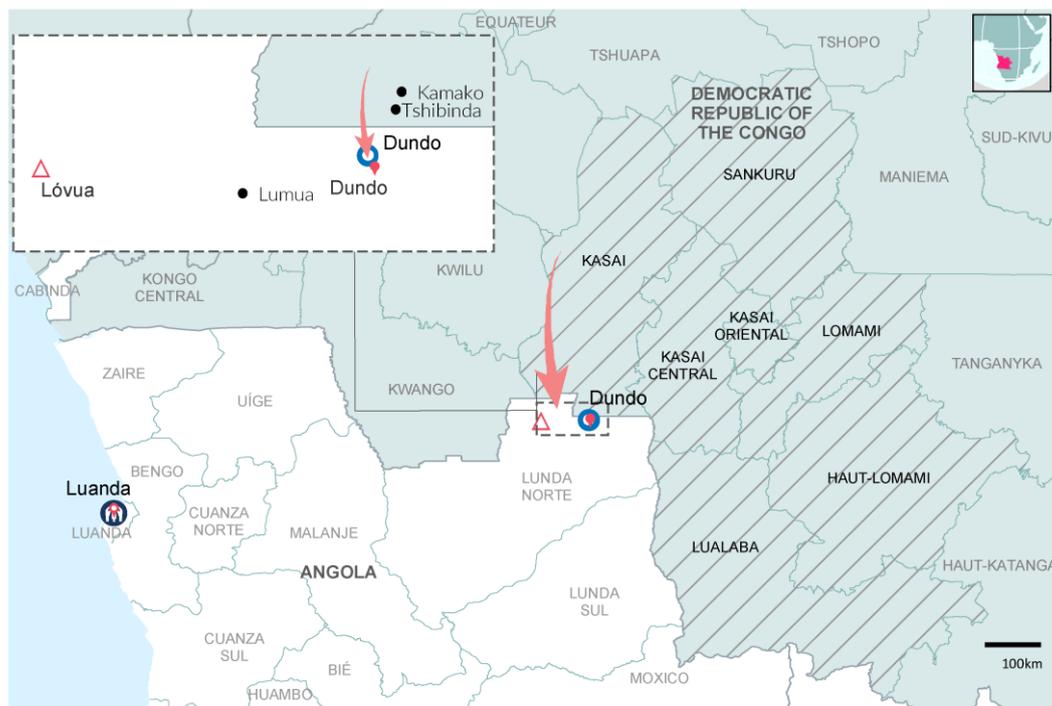
### Operational Context

The outbreak of violence in the Kasai region of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) in March 2017 triggered the internal displacement of some 1.4 million persons and the flight of over 35,000 refugees into Lunda Norte Province of Angola.

The Government of Angola (GoA) in principle has an open door policy to welcome Congolese nationals fleeing as a result of the conflict. However new arrivals significantly decreased since July 2017.

As the situation remains volatile in the Kasai region with rising numbers of internally displaced people, humanitarian agencies in Angola maintain the 2017 response planning figure of 50,000 refugees until end of December 2018. UNHCR is not currently promoting voluntary repatriation of Congolese refugees from Lunda Norte Province to their country of origin.

The situation at the DRC border with Angola remains complex as a consequence of the Kasai conflict, the expulsion of 400,000 irregular Congolese migrants and the uncertain situation surrounding the DRC elections.



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- Areas affected by outbreak of violence since August 2016
- UNHCR Country Office
- Refugee location
- UNHCR Field Office
- Refugee settlement
- Congolese refugees

## Achievements

### Highlights

From 4 – 7 December, two missions took place in Dundo, Lunda Norte. On 4-5 December, a delegation composed of the Spanish and Belgium embassies, private companies, non-governmental organizations and the Luanda International School visited Lovua and explored opportunities of developing projects in the settlement. The companies had different interests, such as sustainable energy, health and IT. During the visit to Lovua settlement, they had the chance to see the newly constructed boreholes, the two clinics, schools, women friendly spaces, protection hubs and the agricultural site for livelihoods projects. A group of musicians also took part of this mission, conducting cultural activities with refugee musicians in Lovua.

At the end of the visit, members of the delegation were impressed with the work that humanitarian partners have been doing as well as with the organisation of the settlement. Many expressed an interest in receiving information and updates on activities in the settlement, as well as implementing projects.

During the same week, on the 6 December, there was a mission with Angolan State Secretary for Education (MoE) in the settlement as well. The visit was especially important since the settlement is currently undergoing a transition phase from informal to formal education. Three schools are being constructed in Lovua settlement (with 8 classrooms each), and the MoE delegation had the chance to analyse their progress. Partners explained the education needs in Lovua settlement, showing the number of students attending informal classes as well as number of teachers to work in the schools for next year. A follow-up with MoE is needed in order to clarify the level of support they will be able to give towards the implementation of formal education in the settlement.



*Lovua settlement. UNHCR Representative in Angola, Head of Office in Dundo and Ministry of Education during mission in Lunda Norte. UNHCR/J. Ghazi*



## PROTECTION

### Achievements and Impact

- During the reporting period, partners organized activities to celebrate the 16 days of activism against Gender Based Violence (GBV) in Lovua settlement. About 300 women and girls participated in two marches against GBV as well as awareness raising activities. Also, 200 people joined the workshop sessions and focus group discussions on domestic violence, gender equality, women and girl's empowerment.
- Partners also organized a field mission to Dundo and Lovua refugee settlement with the Ministry of Social Affairs, Family and Woman Promotion (MASFAMU). The aim of this field mission was to monitor the humanitarian response of partners dealing with women's health and protection.

### Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

- Domestic violence, child and forced marriages, high rate of teenage pregnancy and HIV among pregnant women constitute the main challenges in Lovua settlement. Mapping of pregnant women indicates that 100 adolescent girls aged from 14 to 19 are pregnant. As a response to this situation, four women friendly spaces were established and 24 social mobilizers have been conducting outreach and awareness activities in Lovua settlement.
- Since the beginning of the Operação Transparência, only a few families were reunified with their family members during the ongoing relocation of the urban refugee population to Lovua settlement. Since the 19 November, all family reunification has been banned at the provincial level by the Provincial Authorities.
- UNHCR faces challenges in registering the new born babies at the Civil Registration Office due to the unavailability of the civil registration clerks to come to Lóvua and of the lack of material used at the Provincial level.



## EDUCATION

### Achievements and Impact

- Installation of six education tents in Lovua settlement has been completed and immediately started being used.
- Five more tents will be installed in the coming days in the five surrounding host communities.



## LOGISTICS

### Achievements and Impact

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## HEALTH

### Achievements and Impact

- In the last two weeks, 2,386 medical consultations were held in the two clinics of Lovua settlement including 622 for children under five years old. The consultations that took place in clinic two keep increasing, representing an average of 70% of the total number;
- Regarding women health care, 139 prenatal consultations and 42 postnatal consultations were undertaken and 45 deliveries took place (39 of them in the clinics, five in Dundo hospitals and one at home);
- Main morbidities were respectively: musculoskeletal pain, malaria, parasitosis, respiratory infection and skin diseases;
- In total, 25 patients were referred to secondary health care in Dundo hospitals and 15 to tuberculosis diagnosis and treatment at the specialized facility.
- Vaccinators from Lovua municipality are presented twice a week in the health centers of the settlement, and all the vaccines from national calendar are available to children and adults.



## FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

### Achievements and Impact

- 610 individuals were screened in the week of 3-7 December;
- 164 children with MAM were treated (29 new cases);
- Two children with SAM were referred to health partners;
- Community dialogues on breastfeeding were conducted by mobilizers, reaching a total of 730 people
- 120 children are currently under moderate acute malnutrition treatment and 10 under severe acute malnutrition treatment. For 2019, we do not know if UNICEF will continue supporting nutrition activities.



## WATER AND SANITATION

### Achievements and Impact

- Drilling of boreholes and water distribution network in Lovua settlement are still being finalized;
- The current water consumption average in Lovua is almost 17 L/P/D;
- Construction of household latrines in the new villages of Lovua is ongoing: 113 new HH latrines were completed from 26 November until 7 December, and process is ongoing;
- Assessment of vulnerable people regarding sanitation criteria is ongoing within all Lovua settlement villages;
- 45 new staff were trained in the construction of latrines and hygiene promotion activities;
- Mobilizers, radio and two groups of comedians promoted dialogues around people with disabilities and WASH impact on children during emergencies. (over 300 people reached per day by the comedians, and around 2,000 per day reached by over 100 mobilizers and one radio);
- The Aquatabs distribution campaign started on 17 December and 96 trained mobilizers are giving each person 30 pills for one month (30pills/person/month to treat 20L/Person/Day);
- The process of the creation of water committees in each Lovua settlement village is ongoing. The TORs for water committees has been translated from English to French, Lingala and Tshiluba;
- 720 latrine slabs were donated as contribution in the construction of emergency communal and household latrines in Lovua settlement.



## SHELTER AND NFIS

### Achievements and Impact

- Construction of transitional shelters is in progress and so far a total of **2,770** Transitional Shelters have been built (2,614 using timber poles and mud as well as 156 using sun dried bricks);
- Plastic sheets have been provided to damaged tents and emergency shelters;
- The last 2000 plastic sheets received were used as follows:
  - 822 for the construction of shelters for relocation process
  - 1128 for distribution to Transitional shelters, damaged tents and emergency shelters
- 2000 more plastic sheets were already requested in order to continue support towards transitional shelters, damaged tents and emergency shelters.

## Working in partnership

Humanitarian and development partners are actively supporting the Government of Angola to ensure adequate and effective response to the needs of the Congolese refugees. A bi-weekly inter-agency coordination meeting is held in Luanda. In Dundo, weekly inter-agency meetings ensure a comprehensive and integrated operational response to the refugee situation. Sectoral working group coordination meetings are also organised weekly in Dundo

Partners in the Response:

- Angolan Red Cross Society
- Caritas
- FAO - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
- IOM - International Organization for Migration
- JRS - Jesuit Refugee Service
- LWF - Lutheran World Federation
- MAG - Mine Advisory Group
- MdM - Médicos del Mundo
- NCA - Norwegian Church Aid
- PIN - People in Need
- UNAIDS - The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
- UNDP - United Nations Development Programme
- UNDSS - United Nations Department for Safety and Security
- UNFPA - United Nations Population Fund
- UNHCR - United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
- UNICEF - United Nations' Children's Fund
- UNRCO - United Nations Resident Coordinator's Office
- WFP - World Food Programme
- WHO - World Health Organization
- WVI - World Vision International

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