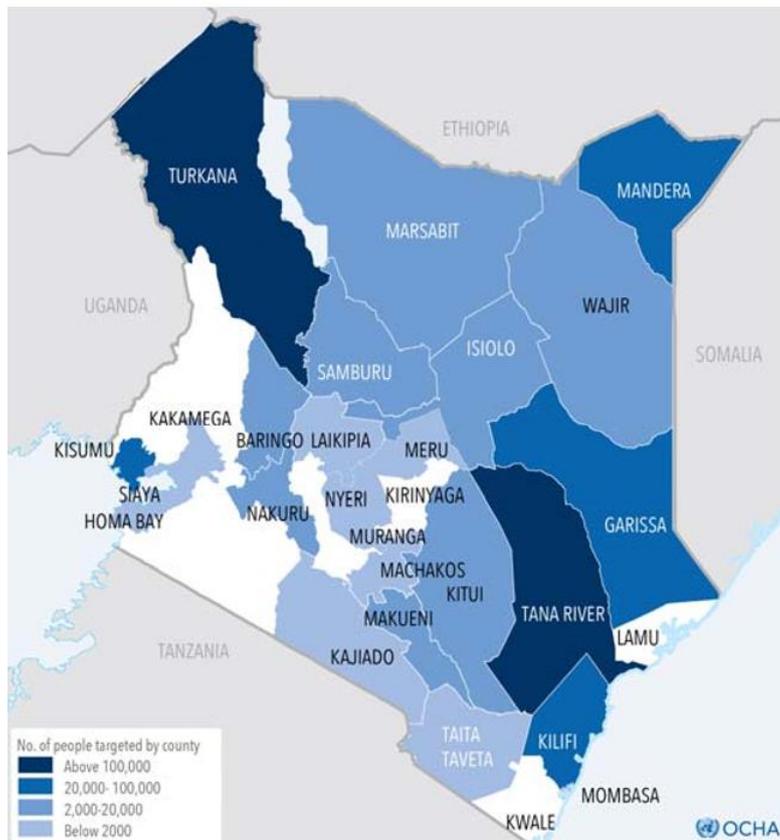


Kenya Floods Response Update – 8 June 2018

Humanitarian Situation and Needs

- As of 7 June, 800,000 people have been affected, including 291,171 people displaced and 186 people killed due to heavy rains that continue in parts of the country (Kenya Red Cross Society - KRCS).
- The displaced are living in camps and host communities as the flood waters have not receded. They are in several parts of the country.
- Rapid assessments by UNICEF and partners in Tana River county found that 11 of the 25 health facilities remain inaccessible. In Madogo sub-county over 70 people with diarrheal diseases/cholera stretched healthcare provision due to insufficient beds and medical staff. UNICEF and KRCS dispatched technical staff to support partners to speed up the response.
- In Nyando, Nyakach Kisumu East, Kisumu West and Muhoroni counties, an assessment found that an estimated 7,535 people were displaced. Communities reported high incidence of diarrheal diseases.
- In Baringo South, 1,302 displaced families lack access to food and clean water. UNICEF lobbied the local leadership to address the issues observed during the assessment mission.
- According to the Ministry of Health, five people have been killed by Rift Valley Fever and ten other cases have been reported. Counties have been placed in high alert especially in Kitui, Wajir, Kajiado and Marsabit counties which have reported a high number of animal deaths and abortions. Eight counties continue reporting active cholera outbreaks. In the past week, 42 cases of cholera were reported in Dadaab refugee camps and 11 cases in the Cholera Treatment Centres (CTC) of Kakuma refugee camp.
- The Kainuk bridge to Lodwar, Turkana county has been repaired and continues to serve as a critical humanitarian supply route. Access to vulnerable groups in the North and Eastern regions (Mandera, Marsabit, Tana River, Garissa, Turkana, Wajir, and Isiolo) remains constrained due to damaged roads.
- Though heavy rains have reduced in most parts of the country, the Meteorological department continues to issue high alerts for heavy rainfall in Turkana, Marsabit, Samburu, West Pokot, Elgeyo Marakwet, Trans Nzoia, Uasin Gishu, Bungoma, Baringo, Nakuru, laikipia, Isiolo, Nyandarua, Kirinyaga, Meru, Tharaka Nithi, Embu, Kiambu, Nairobi, Murang'a and Nyeri.



UNICEF and Partner's Response

- UNICEF is working through existing partnerships in affected areas to maintain critical services and scale up to meet the most urgent needs, while undertaking rapid needs assessments to identify gaps and expand service delivery where needed. UNICEF also continues to provide technical support in coordination of the floods and cholera response through its Garissa, Lodwar and Kisumu zonal offices.

- **Health:** 404 children under five and 148 pregnant women and lactating mothers in nine IDP camps were reached with integrated health services in Tana River County. UNICEF has partnered with the KRCS to provide lifesaving and recovery interventions for health emergencies targeting 814,500 children. In Tana River, UNICEF teams (Health, WASH, Communication for Development, Nutrition) are on ground providing technical support to local partners in improving management of CTCs and hygiene promotion.
- **WASH:** An estimated 2,000 people will benefit from safe water in IDP camps in Adele, Madogo and Boji primary schools after UNICEF installed three water tanks with a 30,000-litre capacity. Through UNICEF's follow up and advocacy with the county government, the Madogo water supply system is now restored.
- **Nutrition:** Nutrition screening to identify malnourished children, pregnant women and lactating mothers, is ongoing in 60 IDP Camps in Tana River county. Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) assessment on infant feeding in emergencies in Tana River and Garissa counties is planned in the coming three weeks. The government continued its food assistance distribution through the county governments in flood affected counties while UNICEF complemented these efforts with Vitamin A supplementation (VAS) in partnership with the Ministry of Health.
- **Shelter / Non-Food Items:** 2,500 displaced families will benefit from the distribution of family relief kits which have been dispatched to Mandera county through UNICEF's partnership with KRCS. With recent funding received through the UNICEF Emergency Programme Fund (EPF), an additional 855 UNICEF family relief kits have been procured (delivery date 30 June) to meet the immediate needs of 4,275 people.
- **Education:** 37,000 flood affected children from Tana River, Garissa and Kisumu counties received early childhood development and education kits as these counties suffered heavy losses of teaching and learning materials.
- **Communication for Development:** Three teams of Public health officers and Community Health volunteers are providing community hygiene sensitization to curb the spread of cholera in Madogo Tana River County. UNICEF provided flip charts with cholera related messages to support the exercise. UNICEF is also engaging with Ministry of Health to contextualize key messages on Rift Valley Fever.
- **Child Protection;** 450 children (incl. 280 girls) in IDP camps in Mororo area in Tana River North sub county received UNICEF dignity kits that include soap, toiletries and solar lights. The kits were also distributed to 200 children displaced by the flooding and sheltering in IDP camps in Sintaan sub county, Baringo South.

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 due to the ongoing drought, refugee response, inter-communal conflict, disease outbreaks and flash floods. The 2018 HAC has a funding gap of 70%. UNICEF has received \$ 2,825,829 in CERF funding to assist flood affected communities in Kenya. At the time of this update UNICEF Kenya was just advised on that CERF was allocated, and the HAC will be updated soon.

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