

OPERATIONS UPDATE



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RWANDA: HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO RETURNEES AND HOST COMMUNITIES

Appeal
No.MDRRW002
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In Brief

Appeal No. MDRRW002; Operations Update no. 1; Period covered: 18 October to 14 November, 2006; Appeal coverage: 20% < [Click here to go directly to the attached interim financial report](#) >

Outstanding needs: CHF 1,231,246 (USD 1,009,218 or EUR 765,938)

Appeal history:

- [Emergency Appeal](#) was launched on 17 October 2006 for CHF 1,545,713 (USD 1,236,570 or EUR 978,300) to assist 30,000 beneficiaries for 12 months.
- **Disaster Relief Emergency Funds (DREF) allocated: CHF 160,000 (USD 130,272 or EUR 101,552).**

Operational Summary: During the reporting period, focus was on improving the living conditions of the Rwandan returnees at the Kiyanzi Transit Camp through the provision of tents, kitchen sets, nets, blankets, jerry cans, soap and hoes to 1,282 households. The returnees were also provided with potable water while the hygienic conditions at the site were reinforced.

Background

In May 2006, the Tanzanian government took the decision to repatriate thousands of Rwandans who had been living in Tanzania for many years – majority since 1959 or even earlier. Another set of returnees includes those who left their homes during the conflict in 1994. Many, if not all, of the returnees have not registered with the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR). To this effect, the Rwandan and Tanzanian governments created a joint committee to streamline the return process to Rwanda. Some 60,000 Rwandans who had illegally settled along the border were identified, in addition to the 15,000 who live in other parts of Tanzania. It was projected that approximately 75,000 potential returnees of varying status in Tanzania could be repatriated.

Based on this, the Federation launched an Emergency Appeal on behalf of the Rwandan Red Cross (RRC) to enable the national society to assist the returnees. The Appeal was developed on the assumption that only half of the people (6,000 families or 30,000 persons) living along the border will return during the next 12 months.

Operational developments

The RRC continues to manage the Kiyanzi Transit Camp in collaboration with the Rwandan Ministry of Local Authority. As at 3 November 2006, 10,412 returnees had passed through the camp. Out of these, about 1,121 returnees were still at the camp by the second week of November 2006. A total of 6,695 returnees have relocated to their areas of origin. Some returnees had left the camp for the new resettlement sites that were identified and allocated by the government in Eastern Province.

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Table 1: Returnees transferred to resettlement sites in Eastern Province

Site	District	No. of returnees
Bukora	Kirehe	438
Ndego	Kayonza	708
Kageyo	Kayonza	1,135
Nyagatare	Gatsibo	932
Munini	Gabiro	63
Bugesera	Bugesera	441
Total		3,717

Red Cross and Red Crescent action - objectives, progress and impact

Goal: To provide emergency relief assistance to Rwandese returnees during their transit period in the camps and re-settle them in their former places of origin or new locations as may be designated by Rwanda local authorities.

Phase I: Emergency support to returnees in transit camps

Objective 1: To improve living conditions of 30,000 returnees living in transit camps through provision of emergency relief and essential services.

Progress

The RRC, with assistance from the German Red Cross, has erected 250 tents and covered the Kinyanzi Transit Camp site grounds with gravel as well as dug drainage channels to reinforce hygiene measures. With assistance from the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), the national society has distributed resettlement kits consisting of kitchen sets, insecticide-treated mosquito nets (ITNs), blankets, jerry cans, soap and hoes to 1,282 returnee households. Volunteers from the national society continue to conduct sensitization sessions on HIV and AIDS, targeting the returnee population at the Bukora and Kayonza resettlement sites.

Objective 2: To provide sufficient and safe drinking water to the returnees and improve their general sanitation in the transit camps.

Progress

The Kiyanzi Transit Camp has a constant supply of potable water which is delivered using a 10 cubic metres water bladder provided by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).

Phase II: Re-integration of returnees in their former communities/new homes

Objective 3: Improve livelihoods of 120 returnee families in Bukora and 157 returnee families at Kayonza through re-integration in their former/new homes and among the Kayonza and Bukora host communities through sustainable recovery interventions.

Progress

At the Bukora resettlement site, RRC mobilized and provided assistance to the returnee families in fabricating moulding bricks for the construction of houses.

A medical tent has been erected to facilitate the provision of medical assistance to returnee families at the Kayonza resettlement site. In addition, five Red Cross volunteers have been deployed to this site to conduct hygiene sensitization activities.

Objective 4: Contribute to improvement of Rwanda Red Cross and branch preparedness and response capacity for effective provision of necessary humanitarian assistance to the returnees.

Progress

A camp chief and an assistant, a logistician, an assistant social worker and 10 RRC volunteers have been deployed to manage the camp sites.

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Federation coordination

The RRC and the ICRC conducted a tracing training workshop for 25 volunteers in Kiyanzi Transit Camp. The German Red Cross and UNICEF provided tents and a water bladder, respectively, for use at the camp.

Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement – principles and initiatives

The promotion of the Fundamental Principles of the Red Cross/Red Crescent Movement within the target areas was addressed at the beginning of the operation and continues to be strengthened through various activities including during sensitization sessions on HIV and AIDS as well as training sessions with the ICRC.

Communications – advocacy and public information

Information generated and progress made will be communicated through news stories, press releases and operations updates. RRC continues to share information on the returnee situation in various forums, including the Disaster Task Force Meetings chaired by UNHCR, as well as through the national society's information bulletins.

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Interim financial report

Selected Parameters	
Reporting Timeframe	2006/10-2006/12
Budget Timeframe	2006/10-2007/09
Appeal	MDRRW002
Budget	APPEAL

All figures are in Swiss Francs (CHF)

I. Consolidated Response to Appeal

	Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisation al Development	Coordination & Implementation	TOTAL
A. Budget		1,545,713				1,545,713
B. Opening Balance		8,967				8,967
Income						
<u>Cash contributions</u>						
<i>Finnish Red Cross</i>		<i>79,500</i>				<i>79,500</i>
<i>Japanese Red Cross Society</i>		<i>51,000</i>				<i>51,000</i>
<i>Swedish Red Cross</i>		<i>175,000</i>				<i>175,000</i>
<i>C1. Cash contributions</i>		<i>305,500</i>				<i>305,500</i>
C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C6)		305,500				305,500
D. Total Funding = B + C		314,467				314,467

II. Balance of Funds

	Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisation al Development	Coordination & Implementation	TOTAL
B. Opening Balance		8,967				8,967
C. Income		305,500				305,500
E. Expenditure		-10,357				-10,357
F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E)		304,110				304,110

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III. Budget Analysis / Breakdown of Expenditure

Account Groups	Budget	Expenditure					TOTAL	Variance
		Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Coordination & Implementation		
A							B	A - B
BUDGET (C)		1,545,713					1,545,713	
Supplies								
Shelter - Relief	256,695						256,695	
Clothing & textiles	253,635						253,635	
Food	4,740						4,740	
Water & Sanitation	275,357						275,357	
Medical & First Aid	2,340						2,340	
Teaching Materials	70,403						70,403	
Utensils & Tools	141,120						141,120	
Other Supplies & Services	104,247						104,247	
Total Supplies	1,108,537						1,108,537	
Land, vehicles & equipment								
Computers & Telecom	13,785						13,785	
Others Machinery & Equipment			5			5	-5	
Total Land, vehicles & equipment	13,785		5			5	13,780	
Transport & Storage								
Transport & Vehicle Costs	57,200		855			855	56,345	
Total Transport & Storage	57,200		855			855	56,345	
Personnel Expenditures								
Delegate Benefits			2,845			2,845	-2,845	
National Staff	148,934		484			484	148,450	
Consultants			58			58	-58	
Total Personnel Expenditures	148,934		3,388			3,388	145,546	
Workshops & Training								
Workshops & Training	28,177		3,518			3,518	24,659	
Total Workshops & Training	28,177		3,518			3,518	24,659	
General Expenditure								
Travel	19,788		938			938	18,850	
Information & Public Relation			5			5	-5	
Office Costs	68,821						68,821	
Other General Expenses			974			974	-974	
Total General Expenditure	88,609		1,917			1,917	86,692	
Program Support								
Program Support	100,471		673			673	99,798	
Total Program Support	100,471		673			673	99,798	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D)	1,545,713		10,357			10,357	1,535,357	
VARIANCE (C - D)			1,535,357			1,535,357		

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IV. Project Details

Project	Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Closing Balance	Budget	Variance
		A	B	C	A + B + C	D	D - C
Disaster Management							
PRW005	Population Movement	8,967	305,500	-10,357	304,110	1,545,713	1,535,357
Sub-Total Disaster Management		8,967	305,500	-10,357	304,110	1,545,713	1,535,357
Total	RWANDA - POPULATIO	8,967	305,500	-10,357	304,110	1,545,713	1,535,357