

This report is produced by the International Organization for Migration (IOM) as part of its crisis reporting on the drought in the Horn of Africa countries. The report covers the period from 29 May to 29 June 2012.

Highlights:

KENYA - IOM launches health program, in Dadaab.

KENYA - IOM analysing data on psychosocial support in Dadaab.

ETHIOPIA - Preparation on construction of transitional shelters in Melkedida Refugee Camp underway.

ETHIOPIA – IOM has transported **82,145** refugees in Ethiopia as of 25 June 2012.



The new health intervention will benefit approximately 250,000 beneficiaries.

Kenya Operations

Health-

IOM Launches Health Program in Dadaab – IOM's Migration Health Division (MHD) has launched a health support programme for the host community and refugee population in Dadaab. The objective of the new initiative that kicked off in **June 2012** aims to support Kenya's Ministry of Health by addressing the outbreak of water borne diseases and contribute to the prevention of communicable diseases both within and outside the camps. About **150,000** people are set to benefit from the initiative that generally seeks to promote safe hygiene and prevent outbreaks of diarrheal diseases. The MHD further seeks to build capacity of the local Ministry of Health through trainings and provision of essential drugs and equipment in addition to rehabilitation of medical facilities in the affected area.

MHD will be conducting health education sessions that aims to improve hygiene and sensitize beneficiaries on prevention of diarrheal diseases. Additionally, MHD will distribute to host and refugee communities Oral Rehydration Salts (ORS) together with chlorine tabs for water treatment. This new intervention complements the ongoing medical assistance to refugees in Ifo 2 East Refugee Camp that has benefitted close to **19,000** patients in a joint collaboration between IOM and Kenya Red Cross that begun on 22 November 2011.

IOM Analysing Data on Psychosocial Support in Dadaab– Fourteen agencies operating in Dadaab have sub-

mitted data for the 4W Matrix that has been developed to ensure information on mental health and psychosocial support is captured and recorded accurately. IOM is supporting the Inter-Agency Standing Committee Reference Group on Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (IASC-MHPSS) in Dadaab to collect data using the Matrix, that shows Who is Where, When and doing What to facilitate the process.

IOM is currently evaluating the information and share the data once collected from all the agencies with AISC by the end of June 2012, who will then develop the mental health strategy. It is envisioned that this tool will be used by groups with MHPSS coordination responsibilities in emergencies. IOM's transportation assistance at the peak of the Horn of Africa Drought Response in 2011 included psychological first aid for the new arrivals. IOM had two psychosocial counsellors who helped the most vulnerable to access humanitarian services.

Shelter-

IOM, UNHCR Continue with Construction of Transitional Shelters– IOM in collaboration with UNHCR is continuing with the construction of transitional shelters to provide durable accommodation for refugees in Ifo 2 East Refugee Camp. So far, the team working closely with the beneficiaries has finished the construction of **13** shelters and has embarked on the construction of another **10** shelters comprised of a main house and a kitchenette in the earmarked 116 plots in block D of the

Camp. Meanwhile, the setting up of a second production site of Interlocking Stabilized Soil Bricks (ISSB) in Ifo 2 East Refugee Camp is continuing. The setting up of the site expected to end this week was necessary to bring the services closer to the beneficiaries and cut the cost of transportation of the bricks. So far, a total of **382,351** bricks, equivalent to **246** shelters have being produced.

IOM Efforts to Transport Refugees to Collect Food Ration Enters Ninth Month— IOM drought response team is continuing with its efforts to transport refugees from Kambioss Refugee Camp to Hagadera Refugee Camp to collect food rations. The team is preparing to carry out the bi-monthly exercise on 1 July 2012 and later on 15 July 2012 for the second cycle. The last exercise that was carried out on 15 June 2012 benefitted a total of **14,190** beneficiaries or **3,187** households.

The transportation service now entering its ninth month on July 2012 is done in correspondence with WFP's monthly food distribution. IOM has successfully carried out the bi-monthly exercise since October 2011 after WFP made the request following security threats in the area.

Ethiopia Operations

Preparations for the Construction of Transitional Shelters in Melkedida Refugee Camp Underway – Preparations for the construction of initial 50 transitional shelters in Melkedida Refugee Camp to provide durable accommodation of refugee population are currently underway. Already, the procurement of building materials and recruitment of staff is on-going in preparation for the exercise which is expected to commence in early July 2012. An additional **1,100** shelters will be constructed in the same camp after the successful completion of the first 50 shelters.

Currently, the IOM team in Dollo Ado is meeting with the refugee representatives at Melkedida Refugee Camp on a fact finding mission to assess the housing needs of the refugees and identify areas of priorities.

Movement:

As of **25 June 2012**, IOM had transported 32,867 refugees from the Dollo Ado Reception Centre to the Transit Centre and 24,237 refugees from the Transit Centre to

Buramino Camp. According to UNHCR, the number of new arrivals in the month of June 2012 surged with 1,174 arriving in the second week of June. The numbers rose in the third week with a total of 1,343 refugees arriving in Dollo Ado Reception Centre. The surge in numbers has been attributed to conflict and drought in Somalia. Generally, the increase in the number of new arrivals was first observed on March 2012 and later eased in April 2012. However, in May 2012, the number rose again with average influx of 150 per day or about 1000 refugees per week observed. It is likely that pressure will be build up on the Transit Centre as there are still refugees awaiting relocation.

Meanwhile, the relocation of drought/conflict displaced refugees continues from the Dollo Ado Reception Centre to the Buramino Refugee Camp. UNHCR and humanitarian partners are working on a plan to extend the Capacity of Buramino Camp to accommodate the new arrivals as the camp is expected to reach its maximum capacity of 25,000 refugees in July or August 2012. IOM has so far relocated 24,237 refugees to Buramino Camp. The five refugee Camps in Dollo Ado currently accommodate over 150,000 refugees.



Refugees seated in IOM hired Bus awaiting their 23 km journey to Buramino camp

The table below presents IOM’s drought response in Dollo Ado in relation to movement assistance, primary health care and family reunifications.

PROJECT	ACTIVITIES	30 April –23 May	30 May - 30 June	TREND	CUMULATIVE TOTAL
EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION	Transportation from Dollo Ado Transit Centre to Hilaweyn Camp*				
	No of Individuals	0*	0*	↔	25,041*
	No of Families	0**	0**	There was no movement to Hilaweyn Camp as the camp is at its	5,008*
	Transportation from Dollo Ado Reception Centre to Transit Centre***				
	No of Individuals	2,231	4,176	↑ Movements increased due to due to new arrivals.	32,867
	No of Families	446**	835**		6573**
	Transportation from Dollo Ado Transit Centre to Buramino Camp****				
	No of Individuals	1,521	4,205	↑ Movement increased this week as new arrivals increased	24,237
No of Families	304**	841**	4,847**		
FAMILY REUNIFICATION	Family Reunification				
	No of Individuals	172	219	↑ Family reunification increased this week as there were more cases identified.	3,753
HEALTH	Medical Assessments				
	Total Screened	3,924	3,924	↓ Medical referrals decreased this week with lesser cases identified.	58,841
	No of Medical Referrals	0	0		779
	No of Unfit to Travel	0	0		770
CUMULATIVE TOTAL					<u>82,145</u>

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IOM’s Drought Response builds on its substantial capacity and implementation of over 30 programmes in the Horn of Africa countries of Djibouti, Somalia, Kenya and Ethiopia. IOM prioritizes its work with lead agencies, partners and government counterparts to develop a transportation network to bring vulnerable populations arriving at border crossing points and informal settlements to better-serviced camps, ensuring medical screening and lifesaving referral services as part of transport assistance. IOM is also working with stakeholders to fill gaps identified in needs assessments related to shelter (with UNHCR); livelihood programmes; and medical assistance, capacity-building and primary care services (in support of ARRA, the Ethiopian government refugee agency.)