

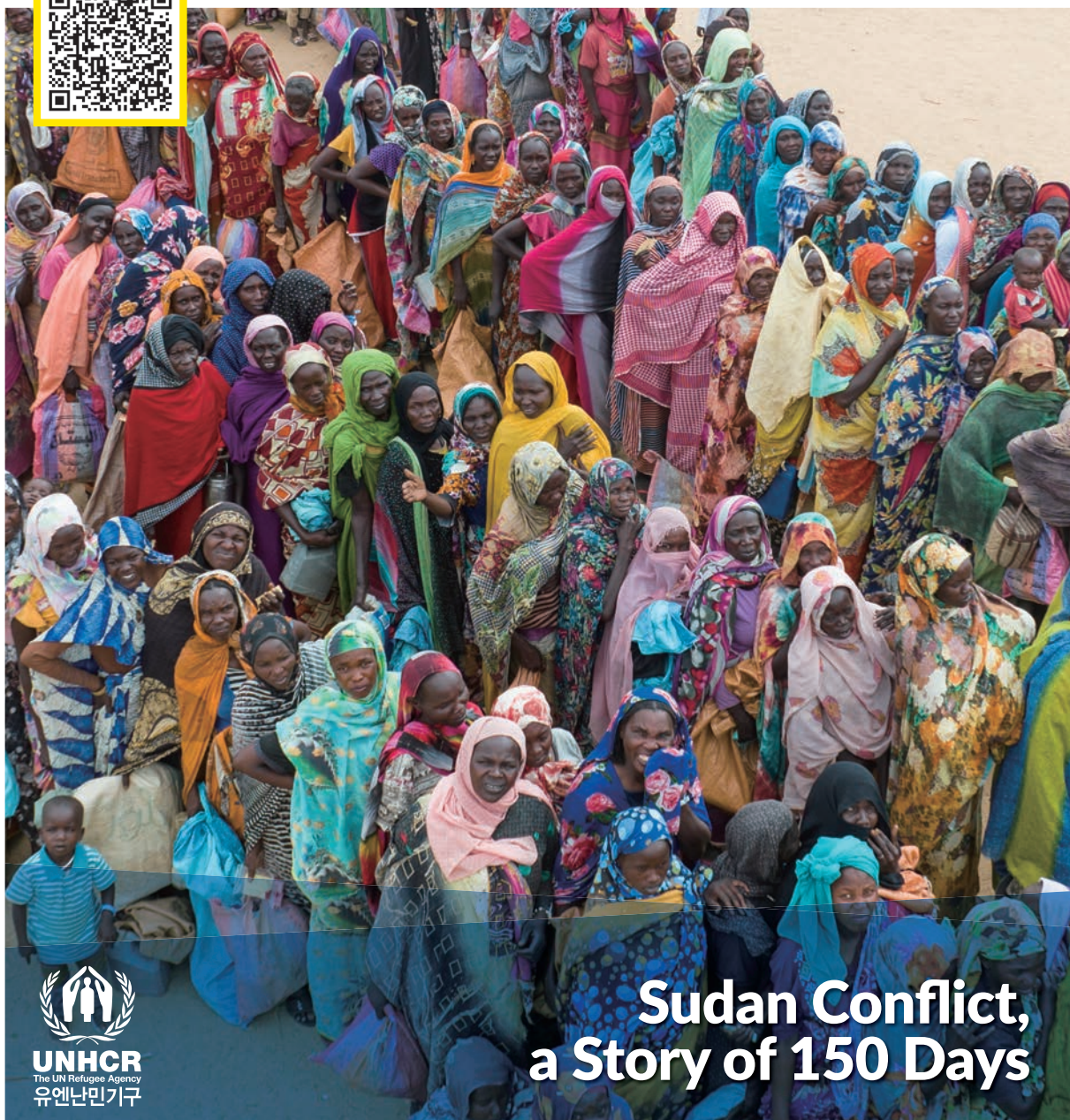
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a Story of 150 Days**

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Sudanese refugees wait for a food distribution in the Ouaddai region in Chad © UNHCR/Colin Delfosse

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UNHCR Emergency Response in Libya



As the worst storm flooding hits eastern Libya, UNHCR is on the ground and continues to respond to urgent needs. More support is needed to help people overcome the devastation and trauma caused by these floods and rebuild their lives.

Join UNHCR in providing emergency relief for Libyan flood victims today.

* Find more emergency relief efforts on pages 4 and 5 and sponsorship opportunities on page 16.

Updates from the World's Ongoing Emergencies

Floods in Libya

Situation Update

On 10 September, Storm Daniel – a tropical-like cyclone known as a medcane – hit eastern Libya. The WHO estimates close to 4,000 deaths and more than 9,000 people missing as of 16 September. Among the worst affected areas is the city of Derna, where two burst dams led to mudslides that washed away over 20% of the homes, hospitals, and other infrastructures. The people are exposed to a severe health crisis, with shortages of clean water and food, medical facilities and equipment, medicines, and personnel. Landmines washed up in the rushing waters also pose a new threat.

The United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) estimates that approximately 884,000 people in five provinces (Mantikas) live in areas that have been directly or indirectly affected by the storm and flash floods in Libya. Some 50,000 refugees and asylum-seekers are registered with UNHCR in Libya, including more than 1,000 who live in eastern Libya. However, UNHCR is aware of larger numbers of forcibly displaced people from Sudan and Syria living in the affected areas who were not registered with UNHCR. In addition, some 46,000 internally displaced persons (IDPs) were hosted in eastern Libya before the storm and floods, and the floods have caused mass displacement, including an estimated 30,000 people in Derna (8,000 families).



Protection

- UNHCR is trying to reach 1,000 refugees and asylum seekers registered with UNHCR living in east Libya by phone.
- UNHCR is expanding its hotline for emergency counseling and is establishing dedicated points of contact to increase communication with communities.
- Community-based care arrangements will be established for children without family care.
- Psychosocial support will be provided for affected populations.



Shelter and Basic Needs

- On 14 September, UNHCR began working with partners to distribute core relief items, including blankets, plastic tarpaulins, kitchen sets, hygiene kits, and clothes, to 1,200 displaced people in Derna, followed by 53 metric tons of relief supplies from Dubai, United Arab Emirates, to assist 10,000 people (arriving in Benghazi on 19 September, to be distributed in the coming days).
- Additional core relief items are also being transported by land from Amman, Jordan, to replenish stocks in Tripoli in the coming days.



Health

- UNHCR delivered medicines for up to 10,000 people (arrived in Benghazi on 21 September), a large tent facility (Rubb Hall), generators, etc.

As part of a coordinated inter-agency Flash Appeal, UNHCR is appealing to donors and partners for USD 5 million* for three months to provide urgently needed services such as protection, distribution of non-food items, and shelter support for about 250,000 people affected by the floods.

Please help us stay ready to respond to worldwide emergencies
You can find the donation agreement form on page 16.

* In the event that UNHCR's response to the Libya floods emergency becomes fully funded, your contribution will go to provide life-saving assistance to people forced to flee by emergencies worldwide.



Watch a video on the emergency response to the floods in Libya.



UNHCR inspecting Derna flood-damaged areas in Derna with other UN agencies
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UNHCR inspecting Derna flood damage
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UNHCR relief supplies arriving in Benghazi
© UNHCR/Ziyad Alhamadi

Sudan Conflict, a Story of 150 Days

"I left with just my children and the clothes on our backs.
We had to leave it all behind - our home and possessions."

- Fatma, a Sudanese refugee, arrived in Central African Republic -

"The journey from Khartoum to the border was filled with a lot of hardships.
It took us one week. We had a few beans which we were eating."

- Ousman, a Sudanese refugee, arrived in South Sudan -

"You can see that it's 95% of small children, of women who are here.
And they have specific needs."

- Raouf Mazou, UNHCR's Assistant High Commissioner for Operations -

"I saw a child die from malnutrition and illness while at a clinic.
It was heartbreaking. Many families have been on the move for weeks,
with very little food and medicine."

- Brian Gray, UNHCR Sudan -

"It was a race against time to move people away from the border
ahead of the rainy season."

- Bobo Kitoko, UNHCR Central African Republic -

UNHCR distributes relief kits such as buckets, soaps, and jerry cans for the Sudanese refugees who arrived in Chad's Ouaddai region on the border area. © UNHCR/Colin Delfosse

Situation Update

More than five months into the armed conflict between the Sudanese Armed Forces (SAF) and the Rapid Support Forces (RSF) that started on 15 April 2023, more than 5.3 million people have been displaced and are seeking protection in other parts of Sudan or across the border in neighboring countries. More than one million refugees and asylum seekers were forced to flee to neighboring countries, including Chad, Egypt, South Sudan, Ethiopia, and the Central African Republic. The health of these displaced people is deteriorating due to continued attacks on the medical facilities and personnel, malnutrition, and the outbreak of such diseases as malaria, cholera, and measles in addition to basic needs for food, shelter, and safety. Furthermore, the rainy season, from May to October, along with poor sanitation, has disrupted access to needed services due to persistent rains, flooding, and increased disease outbreaks.



Read more about Sudan Situation (English)

Number of forcibly displaced people since the outbreak of conflict in Sudan



More than **5.3 million**

Including IDPs, refugees from neighboring countries, and others, as of 11 September 2023

Deaths due to conflict



More than **4,000**

Including 28 humanitarian workers and medical aid workers and 435 children, as of 15 August 2023

Deaths due to malnutrition and measles



1,749

Including 1,222 children under age 5, White Nile State, Sudan, 15 May-12 September 2023

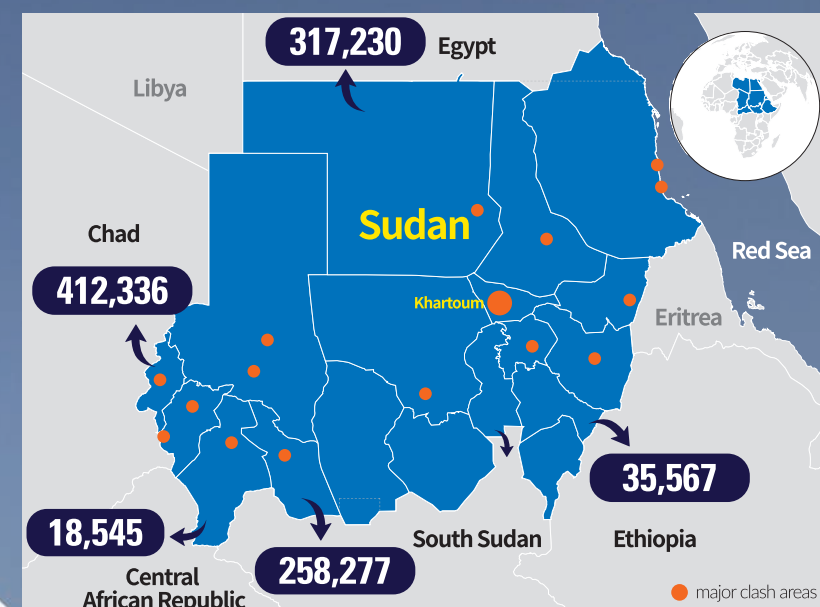
Severe acute malnutrition



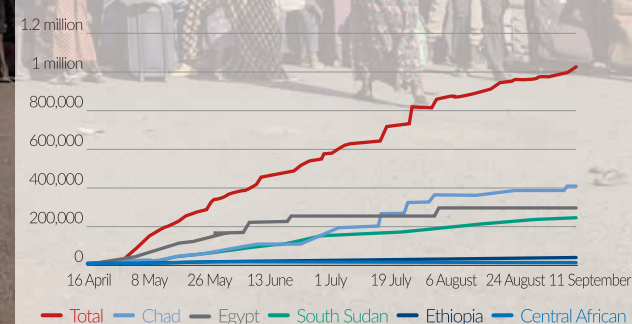
More than **2,400 cases**

White Nile State, Sudan, January-September 2023

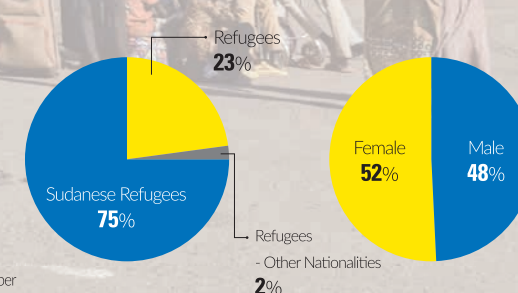
Population Movement from Sudan (as of 11 September)



Arrivals from Sudan to the Neighboring Countries



Arrivals by Population and Estimated Gender Type

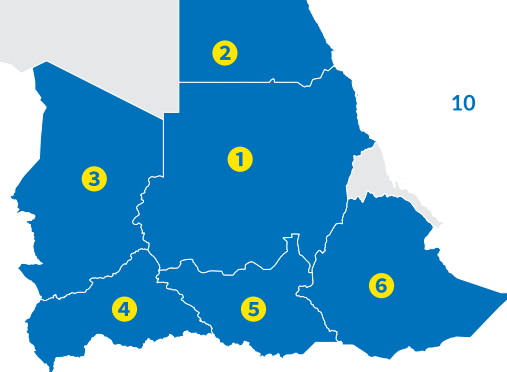


* An estimated 50% of new arrivals are children.

UNHCR in Action

UNHCR declared Emergencies for Sudan and five neighboring countries, and is dedicated to staying and delivering on the ground.

* Level 2 (stepped-up regional bureau support): Central African Republic, Ethiopia
* Level 3 (whole-of-UNHCR response): Chad, Egypt, South Sudan, Sudan



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Health workers examining a patient at risk of measles at a health center in a Sudanese refugee camp © UNHCR/Isadora Zoni



1 Sudan - 4,000,000+ displaced people

UNHCR continues to monitor the situation of refugees stranded in Khartoum, providing them with protection counseling through our hotline and helping them find safety and escape conflict zones as circumstances allow. Despite looting of warehouses and damage to facilities, as of the end of July, we had provided water and sanitation to nearly 700,000 people and delivered core relief items to 230,000 people.

We also worked on medical support, scaling up measles response in the camps, assisting the WHO in transporting malaria kits and conducting cholera prevention campaigns with partners. In addition, we officially launched the UNHCR Sudan Office WhatsApp channel to provide information such as frequently asked questions (FAQs) in multiple languages to strengthen communication with displaced people.



UNHCR staff in the Egyptian border area © UNHCR/Christine Beshay



2 Egypt - 310,000+ refugees

As of the end of July, we delivered 864,000 relief items, including hygiene kits. As of 28 August, we scaled up our response by setting up three large tent facilities (Rubb Halls) on the Egyptian-Sudanese border and additional facilities in the capital, Cairo, to support registration center activities. Meanwhile, as of 11 September, we provided emergency cash assistance to approximately 35,231 people.



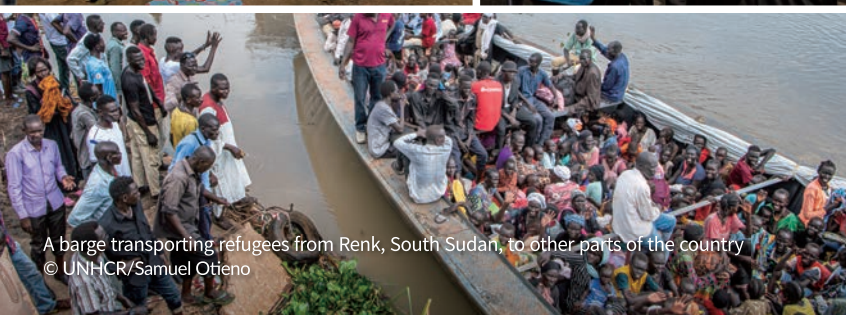
UNHCR bus providing transportation from the South Sudanese border to transit centers © UNHCR/Charlotte Hallqvist



Sudanese refugees and UNHCR staff at a border protection desk in Ethiopia © UNHCR/Lucrezia Vittori



Sudanese refugee family traveling from the Chadian border to a refugee camp © UNHCR/Aristophane Ngargoune



A barge transporting refugees from Renk, South Sudan, to other parts of the country © UNHCR/Samuel Otieno



3 Chad - 410,000+ refugees

As of 11 September, we relocated 176,019 people from the border to existing or newly built refugee camps through 225 convoys and provided hot food to the populations in partnership with the Red Cross. As of 7 September, 31,208 family shelters and 5,071 latrines and showers have been constructed. In addition, a total of 66,450 medical consultations have been carried out and 5,059 mental health cases have been treated since the outbreak of conflict as of 11 September.



UNHCR staff prepare to register Sudanese refugees in Chad © UNHCR/Colin Delfosse



4 Central African Republic - 18,000+ refugees (including returnees)

As of 11 September, UNHCR helped 1,852 refugees travel from the border area to Korsi, a newly designated settlement for refugees. Most of them were women and children. While building family and community shelters, latrines, and showers, we operated counseling centers to hold sessions on gender-based violence, protection from sexual exploitation and abuse, and child protection. We are also providing a total of 200,000 liters of potable water per day through a water pumping system we installed and powered with our partners.



A woman listens to a story at a counseling center in Korsi, CAR © UNHCR/Josselin Brémaud



5 South Sudan - 250,000+ refugees (including returnees)

UNHCR continues to support refugee movements in partnership with the International Organization for Migration (IOM) while working with the World Food Program (WFP) to exceptionally increase food rations in Wedwill refugee settlement from 50% to 70% for a three-month period, given the vulnerability of the new arrivals. At the same time, we are constructing 30 additional latrine stances in Renk, one of the worst affected areas, as the ratio of people per latrine across transit centers has fluctuated between 20 and 157.



UNHCR staff check relief supplies in a border area in South Sudan © UNHCR/Charlotte Hallqvist



6 Ethiopia - 35,000+ refugees (including returnees)

As of the end of July, we had supported the relocation of more than 10,000 newly arrived refugees from border areas to safer locations. As of the end of August, we had provided dry food to 7,200 families through partner organizations. As of August 28, we had provided medical consultations to 4,577 people (including 1,006 children under five years) since the outbreak of the conflict. As of 11 September, we are protecting 330 unaccompanied and separated children (UASC) in the Amhara region with partners.



Transit center in the Ethiopian border area © UNHCR/Lucrezia Vittori

UNHCR needs USD 585 million from May to December this year to help displaced people in Sudan and refugees in neighboring countries, with 30% funded as of 18 September.

Join UNHCR on the ground in emergency relief around the world

(see page 16 for the donation agreement form).

Refugee Stories

Central African Republic

Fatma starts new lives alongside host communities



Fatma and her children © UNHCR/Josselin Brémaud

As Sudan's conflict continues to drive large numbers of people into neighboring Egypt and Chad, some Sudanese refugees are starting new lives in northern Central Africa. Fatma is one of them. "I left with just my children and the clothes on our backs. Our possessions, our home, we had to leave it all behind," said Fatma. Fleeing her home in Nyala, South Darfur, she spent several weeks in Am-Dafock on the Central African Republic border, before arriving in Korsi with other refugees a short time ago. Korsi is a settlement created specifically for Sudanese refugees in partnership with UNHCR and the government of the Central African Republic, where 1,852 people have found temporary shelter as of September 11. To help the refugees heal, Korsi includes psychosocial infrastructure such as listening places for women and girls, and child-friendly spaces. "Life is still tough," said Bakita, a refugee woman participating in a sewing group, but at least they feel safe now. "Some say it is too hard, that there is not enough to eat, but what we were looking for above all was peace and security," she said.

Residents and authorities have received the refugees warmly: Korsi even means "welcome" in the local language. To strengthen links between the communities, activities, and projects—celebrating religious holidays, installing water pumps, setting



Korsi Refugee Settlement © UNHCR/Josselin Brémaud



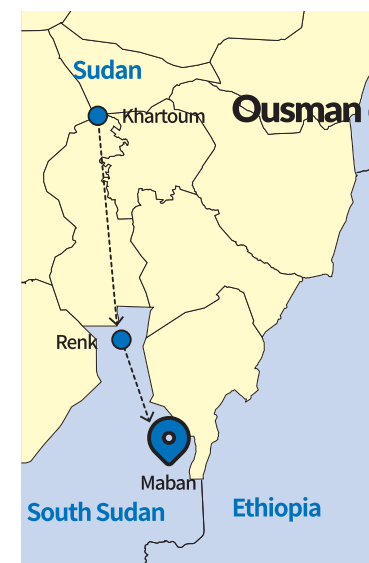
Sudanese refugees in Korsi © UNHCR/Josselin Brémaud

aside a new farming area, and educational programs—have been designed to benefit both refugees and locals.

The aim is to help Sudan's refugees rebuild after their former lives were suddenly cruelly snatched from them by conflict.

South Sudan

Ousman dreams of a small temporary home for his family



Ousman and his family in a transit center in Renk © UNHCR/Melik Benkriity

Ousman, who worked as an electrician in Sudan, fled the conflict in Khartoum, Sudan's capital, with his four children and pregnant wife.

"The journey from Khartoum to the border was filled with a lot of hardships," said Ousman. "It took us one week. We had a few beans that we were eating. When we came to Joda [the border crossing], there was a group of people who forcefully took people's possessions. They took my phone." He is one of the Sudanese refugees who fled to South Sudan for safety after the outbreak of conflict. South Sudan was already grappling with severe food insecurity, inter-communal conflict, and the devastating impacts of climate change. South Sudan was also hosting more than 300,000 refugees and asylum-seekers, in addition to more than 2.2 million internally displaced people.

After three days in a transit center in Renk County, in South Sudan's Upper Nile State, Ousman Abdallah and his family, together with Eritrean refugees and asylum-seekers, are finally boarding a bus to Doro Refugee Camp in Maban County. After seven hours of traveling on rough roads, the bus delivers Ousman and his family to Maban, which is home to over 168,000 refugees living in four different camps. Ousman's family is settled in Doro, the largest of the four camps. Most of the refugees living there depend on humanitarian assistance, but lack of funding has forced the WFP to cut food

rations. Now, the disruption of cross-border trade caused by fighting in Sudan is pushing up food prices.

Upon arriving at the refugee camp, Ousman is all smiles and says that his priority is a safe place to live with his family. "Now we will go and make our little shelter, and we are hoping to receive blankets, water, and other materials," he said. If Sudan becomes safe then we will go back. I hope the fighting will stop soon."



Watch a video on Ousman



Ousman and his family in a transit center in Renk © UNHCR/Melik Benkriity

Sudan

Razan, a young doctor displaced by Sudan's conflict helps others forced to flee



Razan volunteers in Wadi Halfa © UNHCR/Mohamed Rached Cherif

"I woke up to the sound of shelling," recalls Razan about the day in April when fighting broke out in Khartoum. She had been working at a hospital in the capital and planning to begin further studies in medicine at Sudan International University when the violence began unfolding on her doorstep.

Her new reality became shelling, airstrikes, and gunfights. Like many of the city's 5 million inhabitants, she and her brother were trapped in their home, relying on dwindling supplies of water and soft drinks and some food given to them by neighbors. Her younger brother, Ibrahim, went out to try to find water during a brief lull in the fighting but was shot in the leg.

Neighbors rushed him home and Razan convinced a truck driver to transport them to a nearby hospital. Inside, a scene of chaos greeted them—wounded individuals sprawled across corridor floors as medical staff tried to tend to a relentless stream of patients. The bullet was removed from Ibrahim's leg, but before surgery could begin, armed men stormed the hospital, forcing everyone to flee.

While most of their neighbors had left, Razan's dedication to her injured brother kept her rooted, unable to flee until he was strong enough to move. Finally, after nine days, they left Khartoum with a single suitcase, boarding a southbound bus for three days to the city of Wad Madani, where Ibrahim was successfully operated on.

They then took another 2,000-kilometre bus trip to the northern city of Wadi Halfa. From there, they hoped to cross into Egypt and reunite with their parents, who had been living in Saudi Arabia for some time before the conflict started.

Their plans were shattered when they discovered the visa requirements and the long queues at the Egyptian consulate. Meanwhile, all the city's schools and mosques were already fully occupied by about 8,000 displaced people. The two siblings joined the hundreds of people sheltering in the city park, where they have spent the last three months.

Life in Wadi Halfa is worlds apart from Razan's life in Khartoum. Now she sleeps beneath a tarp,



"Collaborating with UNHCR has given me a purpose."

— Razan, a displaced Sudanese —

sometimes awakened by sandstorms. Dawn brings a 10-minute walk to the nearest latrine.

Despite her harsh new existence, Razan decided to volunteer to assist other displaced people. She uses her medical skills to help those living alongside her in the park, many of whom suffer from dehydration and malaria. She also joined other volunteers working with the UN Refugee Agency, UNHCR, to identify and register newly arrived people and to ensure they receive relief items such as blankets, plastic sheets, jerrycans, and solar lamps.

"Collaborating with UNHCR has given me a purpose; I am no longer [only] a recipient of aid. It has also kept me busy while I was spending days just waiting for a miracle and thinking about my life," explains the young doctor. Her gaze is now fixed on the future. She still hopes to travel to Egypt and then Saudi Arabia to reunite with her family. There she hopes to rekindle dreams of furthering her medical studies, put on hold by the conflict.



Razan helps UNHCR distribute relief supplies © UNHCR/Mohamed Rached Cherif



Razan helps UNHCR with market research © UNHCR/Mohamed Rached Cherif



Razan gathers and consolidates information to distribute supplies © UNHCR/Mohamed Rached Cherif



Sudanese displaced people in Wadi Halfa © UNHCR/Mohamed Rached Cherif



Thank You

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Donation Agreement Form

Those displaced by conflict and natural disasters need safety and protection now

If you would like to donate or make additional donations, please send a photo of the completed donation agreement form to 1666-5397.

Donor Information

Are you a regular donor of UNHCR ☐ Yes ☐ No — If yes, please fill out your name, date of birth, and mobile phone number only.

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Mobile phone number

Date of birth

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If you are a new donor, do you agree to receive information for donors from UNHCR Korea? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Do you want to use your existing donation account? ☐ Yes ☐ No — If 'Yes,' please indicate the type of campaign and donation amount only.

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See photos of the changes you have enabled.

(Updates based on UNHCR operations, July~September 2023)



Watch a video on how your donation uses

1 Syria

With your support, UNHCR was able to make changes to the areas affected by the Türkiye-Syria earthquake for the past 6 months.

Six months after the earthquake

- Delivered 2.9 million core relief items to the affected areas in Türkiye
- Provided comprehensive counseling to 15,950 people and legal advice to 3,000 people in Türkiye
- Provided 23,890 people with special needs livelihood assistance in Türkiye
- Provided protection services to more than 311,000 people in Syria
- Provided psychosocial support and psychological first aid to more than 117,000 people and awareness-raising sessions to more than 107,000 people through protection cluster activities with other organizations in northwest



UNHCR sends emergency shelter and relief supplies from Türkiye to northwestern Syria to help earthquake survivors
© UNHCR/Priscilla Gracinda Gomes

Around 300 of the Syrian refugees affected by the earthquake have been able to start a new life in Spain through the emergency resettlement program. Ali's family is one of them. It had been 10 years since Ali and his family were forced to flee Aleppo, Syria in 2012. However, the earthquake in February left his family homeless in an instant. "One of my sons still has nightmares and often wakes up screaming in the middle of the night," said Ali. The Al-Ahmad family is currently living in a refugee reception center run by the Spanish government, and the children have started school. "I'm determined to build here, to work and educate my children. I want to focus on my dreams and make them happen."



Ali's family, Syrian refugees displaced by the earthquake, resettled in Spain © UNHCR/Marc Rovira



Emergency Transportation Mechanism (ETM) support facility in Niger
© UNHCR/Sylvain Cherkaoui

2 Niger

In Niger, where the ongoing political crisis, including a coup d'état in late July, and repeated attacks by non-state armed groups near the border have led to over 20,000 new internal displacements in the last month, we are on the ground with our partners to provide critical services, including food, shelter, healthcare, education, and support for community activities, despite challenges such as restrictions on staff movement, disruption of UN flights due to fuel shortages, and delays in relief deliveries.

3 Kenya

The Pemba community, who had been stateless in Kenya, have been recognized as citizens, joining the Makonde, Shona, and other ethnic groups of Indian descent. They completed the registration process in July, allowing an estimated 7,000 people access to education, healthcare, jobs, social protection, and financial services. UNHCR welcomes the Government of Kenya's decision and continues to work with governments on the #IBELONG campaign to eliminate statelessness around the world.



"I never thought I was different from the rest of my classmates until I got to Grade 3, when I would constantly be told 'You are a Pemba,' and that's what stuck in my head," she recalls. "People would say that Pemas are not Kenyans, so I wondered, who am I? We have struggled with statelessness for over a century, and now we find ourselves in a different world where we can grow and fulfill our long-forgotten dreams."

– Barke Hasimi, Pemba paralegal –



4 Ukraine

Together with our partners, UNHCR delivered 1,000 emergency shelter kits and provided urgently needed assistance, including psychosocial support, to Lviv, where a missile attack in early July destroyed homes and caused many civilian casualties (10 deaths and 48 injuries). We also delivered relief items to other affected areas, including the port city of Odesa, which was hit by shelling in mid-July.



5 Afghanistan

As of August, in the second year of the Taliban's rule, UNHCR was present in all 34 provinces of Afghanistan. In 2023, we provided cash assistance to 205,300 people and relief items and individual assistance to 249,800 people. We also assisted 218,600 people in 80 Priority Areas of Return and Reintegration (PARRs) and were able to significantly scale up this support following the launch of education, health, and community support infrastructure projects in July.



"Since UNHCR started helping here, people returned to this village gradually and houses got built."

– Afghan Returnee, Mah Gul –



6 Bangladesh

As Rohingya refugees enter their sixth year of mass displacement in Bangladesh in August, challenges remain, including overcrowded camp conditions, recurrent flooding and landslides during the rainy season, and a lack of funding. However, UNHCR is responding to the protracted displacement with five strategic priorities: ① Basic rights, protection, & education, ② Adequate living conditions in a green environment, ③ Skills & capacity building to support durable solutions, ④ Diversified funding & partnerships, and ⑤ Creating a positive narrative.

While emphasizing the voluntary, sustainable, safe, and dignified return of Rohingya refugees to Rakhine State, we are also working on water, sanitation, and hygiene, including raising community awareness, improving disease surveillance, and eliminating mosquito breeding sites, in light of the recent increase in dengue fever cases in the camps. We are also helping refugee women earn a living by running an eco-friendly production center in the camps.



"I used to worry all the time about how I would feed my children. I like coming here every day. I can pay for things for my children, so that's what matters to me the most."

– Hussain, a Rohingya refugee woman –



Global Report
(English)



Q How long does a “protracted refugee situation” last?

According to UNHCR's Global Trends Report published this year, protracted refugee situations are defined as those where **more than 25,000 refugees from the same country of origin have been displaced from certain low- and middle-income countries for at least five consecutive years.** At the end of 2022, 67% of the world's refugees, including other people in need of international protection, were in protracted refugee situations.



Syrian refugee camps in Iraq © UNHCR/Firas Al-Khateeb

Q Where do people forcibly displaced from their homes go?

More than half of people forced to flee their homes due to conflict, violence, and persecution cross no borders, but instead flee within their own country. According to UNHCR's Global Trends Report, by the end of 2022, 58% of forcibly displaced people had left for safety within their own country. Countries with more than 1 million IDPs include Ukraine, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, and Myanmar.



Displaced people in the DRC
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Displaced people in the DRC receiving relief supplies © UNHCR/Blaise Sanyila



Q Fascinating story behind Sriracha sauce

Do you know the story behind the world's favorite Sriracha sauce? David Tran was one of thousands of refugees fleeing Vietnam more than 40 years ago. When he settled in the U.S. to start a new life, he founded a hot sauce company that he named after the boat that helped him reach safety. The former refugee now runs a company that produces millions of bottles of the industry's signature product every year, setting a great example of making an economic and cultural contribution to the society in which he settled.



Watch a video on
Sriracha Sauce (English)



Q “Little Amal” sets out to cross the U.S.!

Have you heard of Little Amal, the 12-foot puppet of a Syrian refugee child? As the global symbol of refugee rights, it was created by Good Chance, an arts organization that uses theater to communicate refugee issues, in collaboration with Handspring Puppet Company, a world-class puppet theater company. Her name Amal means “hope” in Arabic. Amal, who followed the refugee migration route across 8,000 kilometers of Europe in 2021 and visited Ukraine in 2022, will be traveling across the U.S. this year, starting in Boston on 7 September and ending in early November, to raise awareness of the refugee crisis.



Global, UNHCR Korea



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2023 UNHCR Refugee Education Report published

More than half of the world's 14.8 million school-aged refugee children are currently missing out on formal education as of the end of 2022, according to a new report published by UNHCR in September based on data from over 70 refugee-hosting countries. Refugee enrollment in education varies dramatically by education level in reporting countries, with 38 percent enrolled in the pre-primary level, 65 percent in primary school, 41 percent in secondary school, and just 6 percent in tertiary school. The report also includes examples of refugee students from Afghanistan, Iraq, and South Sudan.

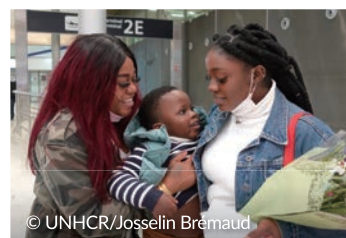


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FIFA and UNHCR signing a landmark MoU

"Football is showing real solidarity with the many millions who have been forced to flee – as well as their hosts." - Filippo Grandi, the UN High Commissioner for Refugees -

In July, Football's global governing body FIFA and UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to further develop their long-standing working relationship. The long-term agreement will lead to both organizations working closely with those forcibly displaced from their homes and help to strengthen communities through enhanced access to football, education, and other opportunities..



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OECD-UNHCR joint study results released

The latest edition of the joint study by UNHCR and OECD, "Safe Pathways for Refugees," released last July, shows that more than 2 million people displaced by conflict and crises received entry permits granted by 37 OECD countries and Brazil between 2010 and 2021 via Complementary Pathways*. The report specifically focuses on the pathways of family reunification, education, and labor mobility of seven nationalities (Afghanistan, Eritrea, Iran, Iraq, Syria, Somalia, and Venezuela). The issue also covers stories on sponsorship programs and refugees for the first time.

*Complementary Pathways: safe and regulated avenues for persons in need of international protection that provide for a lawful stay in a third country where the international protection needs of the beneficiaries are met.

Continuing refugee programs in earthquake-hit Morocco

On 8 September, a devastating 6.8 magnitude earthquake struck central Morocco. There are approximately 20,000 refugees and asylum-seekers registered with UNHCR in Morocco, spread across 79 locations in the country. UNHCR has established additional emergency contacts in Arabic, French, and English to reach out to them and assess the damage.

While the Moroccan government is leading the emergency relief and response efforts, UNHCR continues to monitor the situation and is supporting refugees within the scope of its existing programs with no additional earthquake-related activities for now.



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Co-hosted a parliamentary debate to introduce the Universal Birth Registration System

On 20 September, the National Assembly co-hosted the "National Assembly Debate on Introducing a Universal Birth Registration (UBR) System after the Birth Notification System" with Kim Young-joo, Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly, Ha Tae-kyung and So Byeong-chul, members of the National Assembly, the Center for Public Interest Law at Seoul National University School of Law, and the Universal Birth Registration Network (UBRN). Experts from the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, UNHCR, Seoul National University Law School, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Health and Welfare, and UBRN discussed the challenges and solutions to implementing UBR, focusing on the Constitutional Court's decision of the unconstitutionality of the birth registration system earlier this year and the recommendations of UN agencies.



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Participating in the 2023 World Scout Jamboree in Saemangeum

On 3-5 August, UNHCR joined UNICEF, the International Organization for Migration, the WFP, the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Development Program, UN Women, and the World Health Organization for the "2023 Saemangeum World Scout Jamboree." Together with scouts from around the world, we shared the message that climate change is a crisis facing everyone in the world, including forcibly displaced people, through various activities, including a mind map of the UN tent located at the Ban Ki-moon SDG Village near the campsite.



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Participating in the International Conference of the Korean Society of United Nations System and Kangwon National University

On 13-14 July, UNHCR participated in the International Conference of the Korean Society for the Study of the United Nations System—Kangwon National University, held at Kangwon National University. UNHCR's Representative in Korea, Hai Kyung Jun, served as a panelist in a session titled "The Role of Korea in the United Nations System," alongside representatives from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, the World Food Program, and the International Organization for Migration. They also held a Q&A session with participants.

South Korean government provides humanitarian aid for Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh

On 20 September, UNHCR announced that it welcomed the South Korean government's donation of USD 1 million for Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh. This will allow us to strengthen our efforts to provide protection and deliver humanitarian assistance to Rohingya refugees.

Glossary of Immigration and Refugee Terms Published with the Ministry of Justice

UNHCR co-published a "Glossary of Immigration and Refugee Terms" with the Ministry of Justice, holding a ceremony on 4 July. The glossary includes common and legal terms, and country-specific contextual terms to help understand refugee status determination procedures or country situations. It also covers contextual examples from the fields of immigration and refugee policies and international law commentary to enhance expertise.

Daewon Kinder Academy donated proceeds from the bazaar

Class Yong (Class of the Courageous), a 7-year-old class at Daewon Kinder Academy, part of Daewon Education Group, donated the proceeds from their bazaar in July to refugees. Thank you, Class Yong, for sharing your courageous hearts for refugees!




Prepare for the 2023 simplified year-end tax settlement service

This is a reminder to supporters who need to use the simplified year-end tax settlement service of the National Tax Service (hometax.go.kr) for their donations in 2023. To access UNHCR's donation details in the simplified year-end tax settlement service, you will need to register your 13-digit national ID number by the end of 2023. Please register in advance using the QR code on the right (UNHCR homepage).



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The petition, which you have left via the blue QR code at the bottom right of the poster, will be presented to the Global Refugee Forum in December.

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**Tell us what you think about the renewed With You newsletter
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We look forward to your valuable feedback and opinions to improve our newsletter.
We will send gifts to randomly selected survey respondents who complete the questionnaire by the deadline.

Deadline Tuesday, 31 October 2023

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