



Northern Region Lamwo District



Palabek

Total refugee population: 37,985 registered refugees

With **37,985** nationals and **139,093** Palabek account for 21% of the district

Settlement first established: 2017

Registered refugee population*1

Female Age Male **3,642** 0-4 **3,750 5,061** 5-11 **5,592 2,769** 12-17 **3,400 7,082** 18-59 **4,583**

667 | 60+ | 269

Data collected through²:









Palabek is the newest refugee settlement established in Uganda in April 2017. Located in Lamwo district in the northern part of the country, the settlement hosts almost 38,000 South Sudanese refugees. Infrastructure is still being developed because the settlement is new. Refugees seem to be integrating well with the host community, as many of them are from the same ethnic group.

Gaps & Challenges³



Refugees reported challenges in accessing adequate health services dues to stock outs of medication, inadequate facilities, poor referral systems due to insufficient ambulance services. Refugees also reported lack of a district referral hospital which leads to a gap in emergency response services.



Refugees highlighted challenges in the food distribution process particularly regarding the insufficient quantity provided that does not last refugees for a full month and often runs out after two weeks. Moreover, the distribution is continuously untimely and the quality of the food distributed is reportedly poor where it is often expired. Refugees are provided with whole maize rather than ground, forcing them to sell part of their food rations to afford paying for the grinding of their maize. The lack of access to land for agricultural purposes further compromises food security in the settlement.



Access to quality education is limited in and around the settlement. There are insufficient schools accessible leading to severe congestions in the classrooms and low teacher per student ratios. Moreover, parents highlighted, language barriers have affected students' abilities to learn. Schools reported inadequate facilities further, such as libraries and laboratories, combined with a lack of school materials, deteriorating the learning environment. Additionally, the lack of vocational institutions has left the youth idle due to the limited opportunities available following primary school.



Refugees face particular difficulties in accessing a sustainable income and thus building their resilience. The lack of vocational trainings combined with the lack of access to capital has prevented refugees from starting small scale businesses. Refugees are also unable to overcome this challenge due to the lack of land accessible for agricultural purposes and the limited provision of seeds, which further limits their opportunities to earn a living.



There are insufficient potable water sources in the settlement with few boreholes leading to congestion and long waiting lines at the collection points. This has led to refugees and nationals fetching water from streams for their home consumption, which means they use potentially unsafe and unclean water. Moreover, refugees highlighted there is poor latrine coverage in the settlement particularly for persons with special needs (PSNs) who struggle to build the latrines themselves.

Strengths & Opportunities



The presence of refugees in the district has led to the construction and improvement of infrastructure in the area. Roads have been improved and an increasing attention has been dedicated to the construction of schools and water facilities.



There has been a rise in the number of humanitarian actors and agencies in the district as a response to the influx of refugees. This has led to an increase in the services available to both refugees and the host community. Furthermore, it has strengthened the District Disaster Management Coordination committees, which has ensured a more coordinated response.

Partner organizations









 $^{^*\,}Refugee\,statistics\,source:\,Refugee\,Information\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,Of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,(RIMS)\,-\,Office\,Of\,the\,Prime\,Minister\,Management\,System\,Sy$

^{2.} Indicator's tandards to measure gaps were determined by global humanitarian standards, Ugandan national standards, or sector experts for each settlement. Data was from collected from 01 June to 25 July,

^{3.} The gaps and challenges were collected through Focus Group Discussions with both refugees and host communities separately undertaken on 26 February 2018 with the host community and on 29 May





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Protection

1.536 new arrivals reported in the past three months are yet to be biometrically registered in the RIMS



502 new arrivals reported in the past three months have been biometrically registered in the RIMS

1,180 refugees are yet to be registered in the **RIMS**



7 partners: 36.805 total refugees are registered in the RIMS

ARC, AWYAD, Caritas, LWF, OXFAM, TPO, WCC

Sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) -

of SGBV survivors receiving multisectoral support in the past three months

0%

of SGBV survivors not receiving multisectoral support in the past three months





3,065

reproductive-age women provided with dignity kits or sanitary materials

4,139

reproductive-age women not provided with dignity kits or sanitary materials

14

psychosocial awareness activities conducted in the past three months

Psychosocial

115

refugees receiving psychosocial support

311

children registered to access psychosocial support

Persons with specific needs (PSNs)





No

PSNs need to receive services for their specific needs

Child protection -

6% of child PSNs need to be provided with individual case management



94%

of child PSNs have been provided with individual case management

0%

of unaccompanied or separated children have not been provided with interim or long term care



100%

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0%

of cases in the past three months of child abuse or exploitation have not received age and gender services



100%

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Water, sanitation and hygiene



additional litres per person per day (l/p/d) of water needed

21 average I/p/d provided



of water needs met through water trucking

additional motorized borehole needed



motorized boreholes operational

No additional handpumps needed

Caritas, Drop in the 5 partners: Bucket, FH, LWF, OXFAM

70 handpumps operational

600

kilograms of soap distributed in 2017



7,252

refugees provided with soap

30,733 refugees still needing No

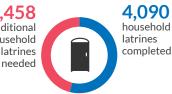
additional hygiene promoters or village health teams needed



218

active hygiene promoters or village health teams (VHTs)

3.458 additional household latrines



2 partners: AVSI, WIU

4,090 household latrines

Education



Refugees attend:

14 pre-primary schools

11 primary schools

2 secondary schools

No adult learning programmes (ALPs) **12,596** refugees are

attending school in or around the settlement, with gross enrolment rates:

334

teachers are working in schools refugees attend, but more are needed to reach teacher-student ratio standards:

Gross enrolment rates

2,762

refugees aged 3-5

2,428¹ refugees enroled

5,573 refugees aged 6-13

> 9,342² refugees enroled

826³ refugees enroled

refugees aged 14-17

No refugees enroled

Pre-primary

No additional teachers needed for number 100% of students enroled 182 teachers

additional teachers needed for number of students enroled

Primary

140 ₁₅₁₉ 136 teachers

Secondary

29 additional teachers needed for number of students enroled

16 teachers **ALPs**

No teachers

- 1. The gap of pre-primary enrolment could not be calculated here as children above the age of 5 are also enroled in pre-primary education.
- 2. The gap of primary enrolment could not be calculated here as children above the age of 13 are also enrolled in primary education.
- 3. The gap of secondary enrolment could not be calculated here as children above the age of 17 are also enroled in secondary education











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Food assistance



528 metric tonnes of food were distributed during the latest distribution in the settlement

2,836 eligible refugees have not received 100% in-kind or Cash Based Intervention (CBI) food assistance in the latest distribution



34,149 eligible refugees have received 100% in-kind or CBI food assistance in the latest distribution

1 partner: WFP

No cash for food was distributed during the latest distribution for the settlement

Caritas, CESVI, FH,

LWF, NURI, OXFAM, SORUDA, URDMC

Livelihoods and environment

6,757 households still need to receive improved cooking stoves and efficient energy for cooking



No households have received improved cooking stoves and efficient energy for cooking

15,720 cases of livelihoods support through:

Cash/ vouchers for livelihood

Villages

4,677

Savings savings and and loan cooperative provisioning associations societies

4.539

8 partners:

Production kits or inputs for agricultural

0

3.252

assets or cash grants to start or improve a activities business



3,252 refugees have access to self-employment or facilitated businesses

14,407

refugees and host community members trained on agricultural practices



184 refugees received vocational training in the past three months

Health and nutrition

0% of refugees with HIV are not receiving ART⁴

100% of refugees with HIV are receiving



of refugees under the age of 18 with HIV are not receiving ART

89%

of refugees under the age of 18 with HIV are receiving ART

10

women delivered without skilled healthcare staff in the past three months



242 women delivered with skilled healthcare staff in the past three months

2 partners: IRC, AAH

Vaccinations recorded:

289

1.363

Measles Polio (Children aged(Children aged 15 and under) 5 and under)

From the last FSNA:5 Number of cases identified 0%

13%



Children suffering from global acute malnutrition

of children identified with severe acute malnutrition in the past three months have not been admitted into treatment



100% of children identified with severe acute malnutrition in the past three months were admitted into treatment

in the past three months:

3,650 Malaria

1,714 Acute watery diarrhoea or

cholera

Shelter, site, and non-food items (NFIs)

928 arrivals in the past three months provided with . household NFI kits 126

arrivals in the past three months did not receive household NFI kits



9,734 households in

total have been provided with NFI kits

153

households in total have not been provided with NFI



928

arrivals in the past three months received shelter materials and toolkits/cash

126

arrivals in the past three months have not received shelter materials and toolkits/



2 partners: AIRD, LWF

383 **PSN** shelters have been constructed 50 additional PSN shelters needed

4. Antiretroviral Therapy (ART)

5. Food Security and Nutrition Assessment (FSNA), October 2017, UNHCR



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