



SITUATION OVERVIEW

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- Over 460 000 people have crossed into Chad since the onset of the crisis in Sudan. IOM estimates that more than 62 300 are Chadian returnees and expects this number to rise to 80 000 in the coming weeks.
- In coordination with CNARR and humanitarian organizations, IOM has counted 43 551 returnees and counted 115 third-country nationals (from South Sudan, Niger, Ethiopia, the Central African Republic, Burkina Faso, Nigeria and Uganda) in 29 localities in three provinces.
- Most of the returnees currently live in spontaneous locations near the border and are in urgent need of food, water, sanitation and hygiene, shelter, household items, health, and protection.
- IOM has started the relocation of returnees from Adre to a site in Tongori in coordination with authorities. In total, 773 of the most vulnerable returnee households (5 507 individuals) have so far been relocated. Separate designated ambulatory vehicles were used to transport the most vulnerable, including people with disabilities.
- IOM is coordinating with local authorities, embassies and diplomatic representations for the safe transfer and voluntary return of third-country nationals (TCNs) from Ethiopia, South Sudan, Sierra Leone, and Cameroon to N'Djamena.
- IOM works with a range of operational partners in the returnee response including the Government of Chad, UNHCR, LWF, PUI, UNICEF, MSF, UNFPA, ICRC, IRC, ACTED, the Chadian Red Cross and WFP.

FUNDING GAPS & NEEDS

Emergency humanitarian assistance and protection (WASH, Shelter, NFI, Protection)
USD 25 500 000

Voluntary Return Assistance and Relocation -
USD 3 500 000

DTM and Humanitarian Border Management -
USD 2 500 000

UPDATES ON THE RETURNEE RESPONSE



36 996 (est.)

people reached
with humanitarian
assistance from IOM



12 874

returnees benefitted
from multipurpose cash
assistance



21 040

people benefitted
from non-food
assistance



9 926

people received
WASH assistance
with partners



5 507

returnees relocated
from Adre



A mother and a daughter living in the Tongori site stand in front of their shelter provided by IOM. Photo: IOM/ François-Xavier Ada 2023.

Voluntary Return of Third-Country Nationals

IOM continues to identify vulnerable third-country nationals (TCNs) in displacement sites in the border area and will assist those who wish to return to their home country. IOM is currently hosting nine third-country nationals (TCNs) from Ethiopia, South Sudan, Sierra Leone, and Cameroon in its transit centre in N'Djamena and is preparing to transfer 13 South Sudanese nationals to Farchana. IOM is liaising with relevant authorities to facilitate their travel back to their home country.

Support to returnees in communities

In close coordination with local authorities, IOM is also identifying and assessing returnees who have integrated with local communities but still live in vulnerable conditions. IOM has so far identified an estimated 1,000 individuals in a remote community between Ouaddai and Wadi Fira provinces and expects this number to rise as returnee households may decide to move out of sites and into local communities.

Relocation

IOM has relocated 773 of the most vulnerable returnee households/5 507 individuals from the border town of Adré to Tongori. Separate designated ambulatory vehicles were used to transport the most vulnerable, including people with disabilities. Once at Tongori, each household is provided with a shelter by IOM teams, a lock and key. IOM will continue to relocate vulnerable returnee households who wish to be relocated over the coming days. IOM and humanitarian partners including UNICEF and ACTED have installed 30 emergency latrines, a GBV referral station, and PUI is conducting medical consultations in Tongori.

Emergency Humanitarian Response

IOM is continuing to support the distribution of food to vulnerable households with WFP. So far, over 40 000 people have received food assistance across Ouaddai and Sila provinces.



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