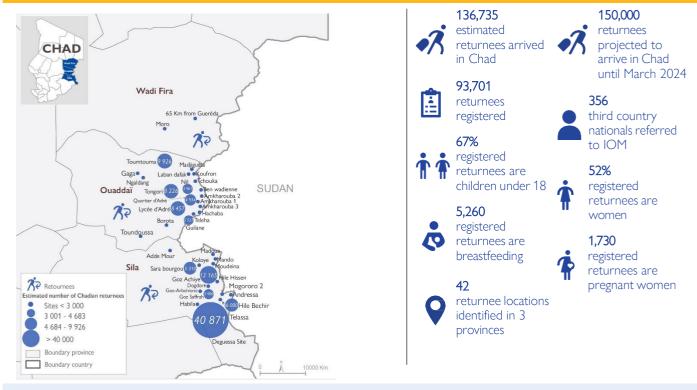
## IOM CHAD: SUDAN CRISIS RESPONSE

## **SITUATION UPDATE 27**





## SITUATION OVERVIEW

12 January 2024

- Over 610,000 people have crossed into Chad since the onset of the crisis in Sudan. IOM estimates that more than 136,735 among them are Chadian returnees and expects this number to rise to 150,000 by the end of March 2024, due to ongoing conflict in Darfur.
- In coordination with CNARR and humanitarian organizations, IOM has counted 93,701 returnees and over 350 third-country nationals (from South Sudan, Niger, Ethiopia, the Central African Republic, Burkina Faso, Sierra Leone, Nigeria, and Uganda) in 36 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 is relocating returnees from Adre to the newly developed returnee community of Tongori, Ouaddaï province. In total, 8,324 individuals have so far been relocated. IOM is also developing the site of Deguessa, Sila province, with shelter, WASH, and Protection/MHPSS assistance for the benefit of 25,000 returnees.
- 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 collaborates with a range of operational partners in the returnee response including the Government of Chad, UNHCR, OCHA, LWF, PUI, UNICEF, MSF, UNFPA, LMI, ICRC, IRC, ACTED, the Chadian Red Cross, HELP-Tchad, ATURAD, Concern Worldwide, COOPI, INTERSOS, and WFP.

## **FUNDING GAPS & NEEDS**



Emergency humanitarian assistance and protection (WASH, Shelter, NFI, Protection)





## UPDATES ON THE RETURNEE RESPONSE



with humanitarian assistance from IOM











. Displaced persons from Sudan queue to collect water in Adre. Photo: IOM/ François-Xavier Ada 2023

#### Identification and registration of returnees

#### Protection & MHPSS

In Tongori and Deguessa sites, IOM is implementing community-based protection to strengthen the resilience of displaced communities. IOM is developing a referral system for protection cases, including persons with disabilities, in Tongori in close coordination with protection actors. In Deguessa, IOM continues to support site committees with regular meetings and to conduct GBV sensitization and MHPSS activities, such as group and individual sessions, handicrafts, and sports, is delivering sensitization sessions on PSEA and GBV to residents and humanitarian actors, and is identifying and supporting vulnerable households and individuals on a case-by-case basis. Across both sites, over 33,000 individuals are benefitting from Protection and MHPSS services from IOM and partners. IOM is also continuing to identify third-country nationals (TCNs) from countries including South Sudan, Ethiopia, Sierra Leone, and Cameroon who were previously residing in Sudan, have been displaced to eastern Chad, and wish to return to their home countries. IOM has so far assisted 38 TCNs in travelling home through consular and movement support.

returnees, IOM continues to coordinate with national, international, and government partners (CNARR, local households in the east of Chad. IOM recently supported households in both Ouaddai and Sila province. IOM WASH, food, protection, health, shelter, NFI, and education assistance in over 30 returnee sites by national and international partners including UNICEF, UNFPA, WFP, Concern Worldwide, LWF, LMI, Help Tchad, INTERSOS, COOPI, and the Chadian Red Cross.

### Site Planning and Emergency Assistance









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# EVOLUTION OF RETURNEE ARRIVALS

