Situation Update

- In Nigeria, as well as in the surrounding regions of Niger, Chad and Cameroon, security and humanitarian conditions continue to deteriorate as populations flee violence and conflict. This population and host communities are facing severe food insecurity resulting from successive poor harvests due to abandoned crops, minimal cross-border cash crop trade and lost economic opportunities.

- In June, the Government’s National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) reported over 15 newly accessible areas in Borno State with 300,000 additional people in need of immediate food assistance. The Ministry of Health declared a State of Nutrition Emergency in Borno State in June 2016. Malnutrition and food insecurity situation in these locations has been referred to as critical. Other urgent needs include shelter, non-food items, access to health care, water, sanitation and hygiene.

- According to the August 2016 Cadre Harmonisé analysis, there are 4.4 million food insecure people in Borno, Yobe and Adamawa states, of which 1.1 million severely food insecure in Borno and Yobe States.

WFP Response

- WFP’s operation in Nigeria is corporately put at the highest priority level to ensure appropriate response mechanisms are activated for life-saving assistance to the most affected people. WFP started capacity development support to the government since September 2015 and began food assistance in March 2016. In early August 2016, WFP was granted its Immunities and Privileges to operate in Nigeria by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

- Until December 2016, WFP is targeting 724,000 affected people with Cash Based Transfers (CBT), in-kind food assistance and nutritional support through the Blanket Supplementary Feeding programme (BSFP).

- According to WFP’s July mobile Vulnerability Assessment Mapping (mVAM) report, the percentage of food insecure

In Numbers

- 2.1 million people displaced
  Out of which 1.4 million are in Borno and 112,600 in Yobe States

IOM Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM), June 2016

- 1.1 million people severely food insecure in Borno and Yobe States

Phases 4 & 5, Cadre Harmonisé, August 2016

People assisted by WFP

As of 31 August 2016

- Cash Based Transfers: 86,800
- In-Kind Food Distributions: 140,600
- Blanket Supplementary Feeding: 53,400

WFP 6-month Net Funding Requirements (Sep 2016 –Feb 2017)

- EMOP 200777 USD 31.2 million
- SO 200834 (UNHAS) USD 6.5 million

Highlights

- In early August 2016, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs granted WFP Immunities and Privileges to operate in Nigeria.
- There are 4.4 million food insecure people in Borno, Yobe and Adamawa states according to the August 2016 Cadre Harmonisé analysis, of which 1.1 million severely food insecure in Borno and Yobe States.
- WFP continued its cross-border operation from Cameroon to Banki to assist 25,000 IDPs.
- As at end August, WFP assisted 86,800 people with cash; 140,600 people with food and 53,400 children aged 6 to 59 months with nutritious food.
households has increased from 33 percent in February-March to 38 percent in June-July.

Food and Nutrition Assistance

WFP is targeting six Local Government Areas (LGAs) in Borno State (Bama, Gwoza, Jere, MMC, Kaga and Konduga) and ten LGAs in Yobe State (Bade, Nguru, Bursari, Gedan, Gujba, Damaturu, Yunusari, Uysufari, Gulani, and Jakusko).

- BSFP: Plumpy Sup has been provided to more than 53,360 children aged 6 to 59 months in Borno and Yobe States.

- Cash-Based Transfers (CBTs): To date in Borno and Yobe states, WFP has provided cash via mobile-phone to about 86,800 people. Jointly with UNICEF and ACF, WFP is implementing an integrated nutrition programme for children with Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM). Under this programme, WFP has assisted 1,233 households with children suffering from SAM (6,165 beneficiaries) through CBT while UNICEF and ACF provided treatment to the children with SAM.

- In-Kind Food Assistance: In areas where markets are not fully functioning, WFP is providing in-kind food assistance (rice, beans and oil). In July and August 2016, WFP provided in-kind food distributions to some 140,000 people in Dalori 1,2, Gubio, Bama, Banki, Gwoza, and Pulka (Borno State).

Supply Chain

WFP has already procured locally over 2,000 mt of food for its in-kind food assistance. Procurement for some additional 8,000 mt is underway.

WFP is conducting a cross-border food delivery operation from Cameroon to Banki due to challenges of accessing Banki from Maiduguri. About 1,300 mt have been delivered to date for 25,000 people in Banki Town.

So far, over 600 mt of Plumpy Sup has been imported into Nigeria and an additional 350 mt of Plumpy Sup is expected to arrive in September. Assessments are underway to identify possible local suppliers of Plumpy Sup for future needs.

Sectors and Common Services

Food Security Sector

- In the 2016 Humanitarian Response Plan for Nigeria, the Food Security Sector identified 3.9 million people in need in north-east Nigeria, of which 1.5 million were targeted by 32 partners. The Sector is currently reviewing its needs, based on the latest Cadre Harmonise issued August 2016.

- A Food Security Sector Coordinator and an Information Management Officer have been deployed to Maiduguri to coordinate the response.

Logistics Sector

- Informal Logistics Working Group meetings have been taking place since August in Maiduguri and Abuja, attended by UN agency and NGO representatives.

- An assessment mission travelled from WFP headquarters to Abuja and Maiduguri to identify needs to support coordination for the Logistic Sector. A temporary Sector Coordinator and Information Management officer are in place in Maiduguri.

Emergency Telecommunications Sector

- WFP's Fast IT and Telecommunications Emergency and Support Team is conducting an assessment amongst UN and NGO agencies to identify the connectivity and security telecommunication needs, constraints and gaps in Yobe and Borno States for humanitarian operations.

UN Humanitarian Air Service

- Since its launch in August 2015, UNHAS transported more than 7,850 passengers and 30,130 kg cargo from 57 organizations connecting Abuja to Yola and Maiduguri.

- On 07 July, UNHAS started a helicopter service to newly accessible areas in Borno. As of 31 August, it serviced 562 passengers and over 4,900 kg of vital light cargo (e.g. vaccines, medical supplies, specialized nutritious products) for 19 organizations. A second helicopter is being deployed to cater for increasing needs.

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