

Joint Humanitarian Update

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JAFFNA, KILINCHCHI, MULLAITIVU, MANNAR, VAVUNIYA, TRINCOMALEE and BATTICALOA DISTRICTS
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IDP situation as reported this week by GAs

Displacement after April 2006

Location	Number of Families	Number of Individuals
Jaffna	21,638 displaced before Dec 2005 5,517 displaced after Jan 2006	74,059 displaced before Dec 2005 18,745 displaced after Jan 2006
Kilinochchi	-	-
Mullaitivu	-	-
Vavuniya	89,934	273,434
Mannar	2,423	6,771
Trincomalee	2,911	9,080
Batticaloa	1,520	5,809
Ampara	1,076	3,951

JAFFNA DISTRICT

Situation update

- The security situation remained calm across Jaffna District. The SLA continues to conduct cordon and search operations and random checks.
- Jaffna experiences unannounced power cuts during daytime, and the usual power cut in the evenings. The unreliable mobile phone coverage still persists. The usual curfew remains in place from 2100 – 0430 hours daily.

Displacement/ Returns

- As of 15 June, a total of 11,069 persons who fled the Vanni had arrived in Jaffna. 10,906 Vanni IDPs are now accommodated in nine IDP sites (Kopay Teachers' Training College, Old Court House Jaffna, Mirusuvil RCTMS Church, Kodikamam GTMS School, and Kaithady Hindu Children Home, Kaithady University Hostel and Kaithady Palmyra Research Institute (sites A and B) and Kodikamam Ramavil site.
- As of 15 June, 163 IDPs had been released, including elderly IDPs who joined the homes of relatives.
- The Kodikamam Ramavil site II was completed with 617 individual emergency shelters and 2,613 IDPs temporarily accommodated at Chava Hindu Ladies College and Nellyyady MV were moved to this site. A new site, a former military camp has been identified by government authorities as a possible additional camp to accommodate IDPs from highly populated camps such as Kaithady University Hostel, and Mirusuvil RCTMS. The de-mining agency Halo Trust has started Battle Area Clearance and mine clearance at this site.
- In April 2008, over 60 families displaced in 2006, returned to Allaipiddy. There are still over 200 Allaipiddy families in displacement. 125 families wish to return to Allaipiddy, given the improvement in the security situation in the area, and the easing of fishing restrictions. However these families have been waiting for security clearances for more than a year. UNHCR continues to advocate with authorities on this issue and was assured that clearances will be issued soon.

Sector Developments/Gaps

Shelter

- Stage two of the Kodikamam Ramavil site was completed with 617 emergency shelters built by several agencies, such as SEWALANKA, JSAC, IOM, ZOA and LEADS. Communal buildings, including kitchens and pre-schools were built by CARITAS, FORUT, IOM and NRC.
- World Vision provided roofing material to 44 most vulnerable families affected by cyclone Nisha in Kopay.

NFRI

- Based on a request made by the Government Agent, FORUT distributed additional cooking utilities to all new IDP camps in Jaffna.
- World Vision distributed around 820 hygiene kits to families accommodated at Kodikamam Ramavil site I and UNHCR supplemented some items such as soap to standardize the packet.

Food

- WFP dispatched 83 MT of mixed food commodities to cover the food needs of 11,069 IDPs for the last two weeks of June. CARITAS continues to provide complementary food items (fish, vegetables and spices) to all IDP sites on a daily basis. Additionally, based on a request made by the Jaffna GA, FORUT provided a nutritional breakfast for all IDPs in Jaffna for the first week of June and DRC distributed 14 MT of mixed food commodities (Bengal gram, crystal salt, dry chili, mustard, fennel and oil) to provide a nutritional breakfast for the second week of June.
- WFP dispatched 4.35 MT of mixed food commodities to start the School Feeding Programme at Kodikamam Ramavil Temporary Learning Space. The food is sufficient to feed 720 students for 40 school feeding days. CARITAS will provide vegetables for it. Additionally, 254 MT of rice was released under WFP's regular Food for Education Programme to feed 85,071 students for the remainder of the second school term.

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- DRC distributed 8,326 complementary food packages to 4,163 long term IDPs in the old welfare centres at Uduvil, Kopay, Sandilipay, Thellipalai DS divisions. Each food package contains two weeks of food for one person and the distribution will cover one month.
- Due to the lack of adequate drainage, waste from the community kitchens has created a health hazard in many of the Jaffna IDP camps. Agencies constructing kitchens have agreed to construct proper drainage systems and a soakage pit to hold the waste and will remove it by periodic gully sucking. UNICEF has provided the soakage pit model.

Nutrition

- RDHS supported by UNICEF continues to provide ready to eat therapeutic food to all severely undernourished children under 5 years of age through the Nutrition Rehabilitation Program in each camp. Supplementary feeding with UNIMIX is provided to all moderately undernourished children.
- WFP distributed 1 MT of toasted Corn Soya Blend to all IDP camps. The distribution is sufficient to cover 1,424 Mother and Child Nutrition Programme beneficiaries for seven days. LEADS toasted the CSB and mixed it with scraped coconut and sugar.
- CARITAS distributed 500 nutritional flour meal packs to pregnant and lactating mothers in all Vanni IDP camps through the RDHS.
- UNICEF is currently training 300 PHMs under its Infant and Young Child Feeding Programme to enrich their knowledge on young child feeding.

WASH

- ICRC constructed 60 emergency gender segregated toilets, four bathing spaces with necessary water storage tanks and water taps for drinking water in the new site "Kodikamam Ramavil II" as per the emergency standard and also installed a tube well to provide water for bathing and washing.
- UNICEF is supporting the schools recently vacated by IDPs by upgrading and cleaning existing WASH facilities through SEWALANKA.
- PHIs continue to support hygiene promotion activities in all camps with the support of UNICEF.
- UNICEF is supporting the NWS&DB to procure specialized pumps and pipes for two water supply schemes that will bring drinking water and bathing water to IDP camps. This will improve the quantity and quality of water available at Palmyrah and Ramavil camps.
- ZOA repaired two toilets in the Udupiddy South Welfare Centre and a tube well in K.K.S welfare centre and provided partitioning for privacy at the K.K.S welfare centre in Point Pedro DS.

Education

- The Kodikamam Ramavil Temporary Learning Space was opened by the Government Agent on 05 June, and 1,300 IDP children from Kodikamam Ramavil site are attending the facility. The Education Department with the support of UNICEF has built the TLS and the kitchen. WASH facilities were also provided by UNICEF/ SEWALANKA. The Education Department in coordination with SCiSL has provided furniture and UNICEF provided stationery items and text books. Uniforms were provided by the Education Department and JRS bore the tailoring charges. School bags and shoes were provided by FORUT and JRS. WFP agreed to provide mid-morning meals under its "School Feeding Programme" for these displaced children. FORUT provided cooking utensils. The School Feeding Programme at the Kodikamam Ramavil Temporary Learning Space has commenced and CARITAS will provide complementary food items (vegetables).
- The Education Cluster agencies and Education Department has jointly addressed the gaps in education for displaced children in Jaffna. As of 15 June, all IDP children (approximately 2,800) in Jaffna are attending an education facility.
- Six pre-school teachers were identified within the camp of Ramavil. The three pre-schools at Kodikamam Ramavil have commenced and ZOA has erected pre-school units. UNICEF and SCiSL provided part of the learning and recreational material to these pre-schools. SCiSL added pre-school teacher and children kits. SCiSL will take care of the salary and training of the pre-school teachers. DDG has built a play park using local material and efforts are on going to add more items to the play park outside these pre-schools. CARITAS has agreed use their resources for the same.
- JSAC with the support of UNICEF is conducting after-school guided group activities in the TLS at Ramavil.
- A ten member team consisting of SCiSL and its two partner agencies, namely Shanthiam and SOND are carrying out recreational activities for IDP children at Kathaidy after school hours. The recreational activities last for roughly two hours and a total of 882 children are provided refreshments.
- A catch-up education programme for G.C.E O/L students is being conducted by ZOA Refugee Care in Kodikamam GTMS, Mirusuvil RCTMS and Eluthumadduval GTMS with the support of the Department of Education.
- UNDP distributed educational kits to 293 vulnerable students at Santhai through the Community for Peace Programme funded by Australian Aid. Another 24 pre-school children were provided uniforms in Suthanthirapuram, Thellipalai DS.

Health

- On 09 June the ward at the Chavakachcheari base hospital constructed by the International Relief and Development Agency at a cost of US\$ 27,000 (Rupees 3.1 million) was opened. This was funded by WHO through the CERF. WHO provided 50 beds to Chavakachcheari District Hospital to be used by IDP patients.
- On 09 June, WHO handed over an Emergency Medical Kit to RDHS Jaffna to support IDP patients. The emergency kit has all the emergency medical equipment and drugs to cater for 10,000 patients for three months.

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- Medical Team International (MTI) conducted a one day Emergency Patient Care Management training for 15 PHIs and 16 PHMs at Chavakachcheari Medical Health Officer Division. These health staff will provide emergency patient care to IDPs in camps. The same training was provided to another 58 PHIs and PHMs from Manipay and Thellipalai MOH divisions to serve the general population in emergencies. The training was supported by WHO.
- Medical Team International trained 189 nurses studying at the Jaffna Nurses Training School in Emergency Medical Care for the Emergency Medical Treatment level one certificate. MTI also provided refresher training on EMT for health staff of the Point Pedro Base Hospital and Valvettithurai District Hospital.
- IRD handed over US\$ one million worth of drugs to RDHS Jaffna and Jaffna Teaching Hospital.

Protection & Child Protection

- UNICEF conducted a two-day training for 31 police personal including nine children & women's desk officers and police personal from each camp on Child and Young Person Ordinance (CYPO) and Emergency Regulations for Child Surrenders. Twenty nine officers from the Department of Probation and Child Care Services attended the training along with the police to effectively coordinate and identify vulnerable children with special needs.
- Sarvodaya briefed 50 contract labourers of ZOA and LEADS, who were constructing the shelters, on Mine Risk Education Safety.
- World Vision's Child Well-being Programme continues in five selected villages in Chankanai, Uduvil, Chavakachcheari, Kopay and Velanai Divisions and has also completed a baseline survey there. Under this programme World Vision Commemorated World Environmental Day at Thidatpulam in collaboration with the Uduvil DS and distributed 100 fruit plants and shady plants to 50 families. A disabled child was gifted a wheel chair and another three vulnerable children in Chankanai were given the same by advocating with the Jaffna Jaipur Centre for Disability Rehabilitation. Eighty vulnerable children in Kopay were given exercise books.
- UNHCR conducts protection monitoring visits at the new IDP camps. UNHCR registers and verifies cases and advocates with the GA and Security Forces on behalf of family members separated between camps to be reunified. 111 families have been recently reunited but the process of family reunification remains slow. UNHCR supports the GA to identify vulnerable persons who should be released from camps. Most recently, the military approved the release of over 200 elderly persons to join family members outside the camps.

Demining

- The District Mine Action Office (DMAO) has received District approval from authorities in Jaffna to start demining in the first 300 meters adjoining the buffer zone area (Santhankulam to Thonddamanru). All 19 tasking dossiers were approved and 15 tasking dossiers were handed over to DDG and the balance four tasking dossiers were handed over to Halo Trust for demining. DDG has started demining activities and Halo Trust is to start soon. Upon completion of demining, around 250 families will be resettled in these villages.
- Demining agencies face difficulties bringing in new demining equipment due delays in receiving government approval.
- The Halo Trust has started on Battle Area Clearance (BAC) and Mine clearance at the Kachchai Thampputhoddam site, which has been identified by the government to accommodate new IDPs; Halo Trust has given high priority to this emergency clearance and has deployed most of its resources (mechanical and manual) to clear the area as soon as possible.
- Demining agencies DDG and Halo Trust have scaled up operations in Jaffna due to increased needs and are expected to extend operations to new areas. However, agencies have not received any official correspondence from the government.
- HALO Trust and DDG cleared an area of 9,499 m² and found 74 anti-personal mines and 108 UXOs.

Early Recovery & Livelihoods

- IOM, under its Early Recovery Programme (ERP), provided livelihood assets each worth Rs. 50,000 to 19 refugees who returned from India and currently living in Jaffna District. The project is funded by Australian Aid through International Relief Fund. 51 IDP families from Vadmarachchi South west division received livelihood assets (worth Rs. 40,000) through its implementing partner SEWALANKA. 49 families from Valikamam North division received livelihood assets through implementing partner Jaffna Social Action Centre and a family from Valikamam South West received livelihood assets through its implementing partner The Refugee Rehabilitation Organization (TRRO).
- DRC constructed internal roads in Thoppu (625 ft) and Neetavan (890 ft) old IDP Welfare Centres through a cash-for-work (CFW) programme with 258 IDPs. Work on the Kappanda Welfare Centre internal road (1,330 ft) is ongoing.
- World Vision conducted a three day capacity building training for 35 members from two Community Based Originations in Uduvil DS. 37 beneficiaries in Kopay, Chankanai, and Uduvil were trained on livestock development and were given cows.
- ZOA is upgrading a drainage channel in Vallai, Karaveddy DS division through a food-for-work programme and distributed food for 228 man days to 40 beneficiaries. ZOA donated agriculture inputs to 94 families and a home garden package to 30 families in the Point Pedro Agriculture Inspector Division.
- CARITAS supported the renovation of the Ilavalai Holy Family Conmen Hostel roof which was badly-affected by Cyclone Nisha.
- UNDP conducted a three-day business plan workshop for 16 youth in Kopay DS, who will engage in the aluminium fitting industry. UNDP provided tools and equipment to the Community Technical Education Center (COMTEC) service station and held an aluminium fittings workshop in Chankanai DS division as a vocational training for Chankanai youth. A photocopy machine was provided to the Allipeddy Fisheries Cooperative Society in Velanai DS division.

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- UNDP in coordination with the Government has initiated Early Recovery Coordination in Jaffna; the government has identified 12 villages for resettlement within the 600 meter High Security Buffer Zone and 450 families have already spontaneously resettled to this location. UNDP in coordination with the Thellipalai DS office conducted Participatory Need Assessments (PNA) in eight locations. The PNA report will be shared with relevant agencies.
- FORUT's Jaffna Rehabilitation and Development Programme (JRDP) funded by NORAD for a period of five years from January 2009 has four main components including Harm and Demand Reduction of Alcohol and Drugs (ADD), Child Rights Protection and Promotion (CRPP), Gender Based Violence (GBV) and Gender Economic Empowerment (GEE). The project targets DS divisions in Point Pedro, Karaveddy, Thellipalai and Uduvil. Baseline surveys have been completed for all four components and Government officials, partners and volunteers have been oriented.

VAVUNIYA, MANNAR, KILINOCHCHI & MULLAITIVU DISTRICTS

Situation update

- Humanitarian organizations are still trying to access areas beyond Omanthai, where the fighting took place, for assessment purposes.
- Three new sites have been identified by authorities (Veerapuram, Sumathipuram and Mahakongaskada (MKK)) to accommodate IDPs currently in schools in Vavuniya.
- Since 05 June, construction works have been going on in the newly developed Zone V. UNOPS, IOM and CARE are the major actors for erecting tents and constructing temporary latrines there.
- On 9 June the Competent Authority reported that Menik Farm Zone VI would be opened very soon.
- A total 13 IDP camps including 10 schools, 1 technical college, 1 campus building and 1 common hall were closed and the people were taken to the Menik Farm zones as well as the three new sites of Veerapuram in Vavuniya District and Sumathipuram and Mahakongaskada in Anuradhapura District. Nine of these vacant sites will be converted into rehabilitation centers. Three school sites are to reopen for school activities.
- Two staff of SHADE died and another six were badly injured due to a vehicle accident as they returned from field work.

Displacement/ Returns

- On June 8, a second batch of IDP returns to Mannar took place; 569 families (2,055 individuals) returned to their original in Maruthamadu, Ponnochchikulam, Pandarveli, Koolankulam, Sinnapollachchipotkerny, Arrippu West, Arrippu East, Akaththimurippu, Periyapollachchipotkerny, Meththanveli, Puthuveli, Silavathurai and Saveriyarpuram in Musali. A total of 658 families (2,424 individuals) have returned to their place of origin in Mannar District since they were displaced in September 2007 from Musali to Mannar and Nanaddan DSs.
- As at 15 June 2009, UNHCR reported that a total of 86,755 families (262,878 individuals) were accommodated in different camps in Vavuniya District.

Sector Developments/Gaps

Shelter

- Many agencies have agreed to maintain the shelters and tents they have erected for the initial three month emergency period. That period is about to expire. Some agencies have no funds to continue maintenance; others are reluctant to commit beyond the three month period until a plan of longer duration has been articulated.
- According to UNHCR reports, a total of 13,645 tents and 7,748 temporary shelters have been erected by humanitarian organizations while 3,429 tents and 8,810 barracks have been constructed by the Government to accommodate the displaced.
- GoSL has mounted 840 tents in Veerapuram and 1,076 tents in Sumathipuram, Cheddikulam Division while humanitarian organizations mounting tents in Mahakongaskada (MKK).
- CARE in collaboration with IOM mounted 123 tents in Zone V, block B2.
- The GA has agreed in principle to decommission twenty IDP school sites on a case-by-case basis. Many of these sites have been designated as rehabilitation centers for LTTE cadres. It is imperative that all aid items identifying UN and NGOs are removed before the sites are occupied.
- As of 16 June, SCC reports that 1,119 tents had been erected in Zone V; the zone has the capacity for 3,500 tents. Transfers from Zone 0 to Zone V are scheduled to begin on 18 June.
- Access roads are being cleared by the Army in Zone VI; as clearing continues, the SCC will advocate for a block-by-block assessment of the zone's drainage profile and suitability for habitation.
- Four agencies have been allocated blocks to erect shelters in Mahakongaskada (MKK). The site can accommodate 1,200 shelters. The government has announced its intention to begin transferring IDPs to the site beginning 26 June.
- IOM provided 552 tarpaulin sheets to Zone IV in Menik Farm and erected 117 tents in Zone IV and 276 in Zone V.

NFRI

- CARE distributed 1,403 sets of hygiene kits in Zone III block-8 and 152 infant kits in block C3 of Zone IV and Alkhal Maha Vidhyalaya.
- UNHCR is distributing NFRI to 1,277 families (3,177 individuals) in Zone I, block U.
- IOM handed over 500 mosquito nets, 500 sleeping mats and 1,500 jerry cans to Vavuniya hospital; 200 mosquito nets, 1,500 sleeping mats and 3,000 jerry cans to Poovarasankulam hospital (isolation center); 100 mosquito nets, 500 sleeping mats and 1,500 Jerry cans to Cheddikulam hospital. The items were donated by Japan.

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- 200 mosquito nets, 200 sleeping mats, and 3,500 jerry cans were handed over to the Ministry of Health for use in Menik Farm. Upon request of Project Director, District Secretariat Office, Vavuniya Compassion Lanka handed over 1850 plates and cups, 200 mats and 1850 soaps to the rehabilitation center of Pambaimadu campus and 1500 plates and cups, 200 mats and 1500 soaps to rehabilitation centers of Poonthoddam GTMS and Cooperative college.

Food

- WFP handed over ration cards to the Vavuniya District Secretariat for distribution to IDPs. Each IDP family will be given a ration card when they complete their registration with the respective camp officers. These cards will be needed to get food items when IDPs start individual cooking. The registration has already started in Zone I, II and IV.
- WFP transported 371.4 MT wheat flour, 728.70 MT rice, 100.8 MT dhal, 54.74 MT sugar, 42.84 MT oil and 30.45 MT CSB to the District to cater for the IDPs.
- Many food actors have agreed to extend their complementary food distribution to communal cooking in zone I – V until June 2009 and a few agencies will extend for another month although there is concern about funding.
- CARITAS/Valvothayam will continue to send complementary food supplies to Menik Farm Zone 0 (6,928 IDPs), Zone I (21,500 IDPs) and Zone III (8,600 IDPs) for communal cooking covering 37,028 individuals.
- NRC designed individual kitchen structure (8' x 3') will be piloted in Zone III. Each kitchen can accommodate two families.

Nutrition

- The Nutrition Rehabilitation Programme is continuing in all zones for which Public Health Midwives (PHM) and Sarvodaya workers have been allocated. The Outpatient Nutrition Rehabilitation Programme is stable in Zone II with six teams of Sarvodaya workers and public health midwives to run six centers. 52 volunteers from Zone IV completed a three day training and have been deployed to actively find cases. One Nutrition Rehabilitation Centre (tent) was erected and two more are under construction in block 19, 5 and 41 in Zone II.
- UNICEF provided 180 mats and 10 height measuring instruments to Sarvodaya to be used in the centers.
- Fifty external Sarvodaya volunteers trained previously are undergoing a field training to be deployed to zone III.
- UNICEF completed a Knowledge Attitude and Practices survey on the acceptability of UNIMIX in Zone 2. The data collected is being analyzed.

WASH

- The NWS&DB participated in the WASH Cluster meeting of 11 June as special invitee and reported that engineering assistants have been appointed to each zone to look after water facilities as well as monitor water services. NWS&DB urged the organizations supplying water to the zones to truck water from 5.30 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. However, due to security concerns/ advisories given to the organizations as well as issues on accommodation and food for tanker drivers, there are practical difficulties in trucking water before 6.00 a.m. and after 6.00 p.m. NWS&DB will address the accommodation and food related issues with the respective authority to find a solution to the matter.
- NWS&DB reported that since 10 June, water has been bowsered to Zone III at night time, as a trial, by displaced drivers living inside the Zone. This is expected to reduce the queues and delays in getting water in the morning. These IDP drivers collect water from resources within the Zone.
- NWS&DB reported that the 'Malwathu Oya' water scheme jointly initiated by the GoSL, NSW&DB and UNICEF to provide water to the Menik Farm is progressing and will soon be functional. The total cost estimation for this project is Rs. 164 million for which UNICEF had given Rs. 34 million.
- NWS&DB agreed to provide additional water resources to organizations currently providing water to the zones.
- UNICEF distributed a hygiene monitoring format to the hygiene promoters volunteering in the zones. It will be collected and reviewed by the WASH Cluster each Wednesday and shared among WASH actors on Thursday.
- CARE is bowsering 120,000 liters of drinking water per day in Zone II, III and IV and has installed 24 emergency latrines in Zone IV block D3 & E4 and distributed 50 sets of environment cleaning kits in Zone III.
- JEN launched a bowsering operation to Menik Farm with 18 water trucks for a period of 6 months.
- A water treatment plant supplied by UNICEF was installed at Zone II by the Water Board. Another five plants are to be installed in Zones II and IV.
- IOM completed the construction of ten temporary bathing places and 58 emergency latrines in Menik Farm Zone IV, 74 latrines in Zone V and installed 30 privacy partitions in toilets in Zone II and block 53 - Zone IV.

Health

- The main communicable diseases among IDPs are chickenpox and watery diarrhoea. During the reporting period 802 cases of chickenpox, 1,511 cases of infective hepatitis, 1,014 cases of dysentery, 5, diarrhoea cases and 35 malaria cases were reported. Other communicable diseases seen among the IDPs are acute respiratory diseases, skin infections and viral fever. No cases of mumps or measles have been reported. The public health staff takes action to prevent further spread of the communicable disease under the supervision of the RDHS and respective Medical Officer of Health.
- Though there are sufficient numbers of doctors and other staff available, there is an acute shortage of specialist medical doctors. As the number of IDPs increase there is a need for additional staff in all categories. The health personnel among the displaced are also working in the sites to improve health conditions. Many health teams from different parts of the island come on rotation to work in the IDP sites. A coordination center has been established by the Ministry of Health to look into IDP health. A Director of IDP Health has also been appointed. The main welfare centers have Primary Health Care Centers and a Referral Center with few beds.

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- The number of garbage bins needed is 2,561 where as only 1,308 bins and 56 workers are available. Garbage disposal is not yet satisfactory.
- In the light of the inadequate quality and quantity of drinking water, health promotion and hygiene promotion activities and cleaning campaigns should be further strengthened. The MOH is in the process of recruiting additional health inspectors for the camps.
- UNICEF donated two 300 liter capacity refrigerators to the Therapeutic Feeding Center in Vavuniya, Paediatric ward, BH-Cheddikulam for the Inpatient Therapeutic Feeding Programme, two Refrigerators to the IDP health coordination center in Menik Farm for vaccine storage and one 190 liter refrigerator to the Zone IV referral hospital for drug storage.
- IOM completed the construction of eight Public Health Centres in the Menik Farm zones; six centers are functional. The construction of two centers was completed in Zone IV during the reporting period.

Protection & Child Protection

- The Government has agreed to set up Child Protection Unit desks in each zone of Menik Farm. Referrals from the school sites are directly taken to the Probation Office.
- The Protection Cluster is currently working on a prevention and response mechanism to sexual and gender-based violence.

Psychosocial

- CFS activities in Zone III have been expanded to include youth groups and protection support mechanisms are being developed alongside existing recreational programs.
- Psychosocial actors are finalizing a plan to allocate sites to partners and identify volunteers who can commence play-based activities with recreation kits while CFSs are being constructed.

TRINCOMALEE DISTRICT

Situation update

- The security situation in Trincomalee District was stable. Security forces recovered ordnance in several parts of the District. Cordon and search operations and security checks at checkpoints are continuing.
- Since the liberation of the North economic activity and travel has increased considerably, especially in and around Trincomalee town, as well as traffic between Trincomalee and other districts.
- Following a visit of Senior Adviser to the President and MP Basil Rajapaksa to Trincomalee, the Government has eased fishing restrictions in the East. Fishermen are now allowed to fish during the day. Fishermen who use "Teppan" (a type of boat) are allowed to fish between 0400 – 1800 hours off the shores of Trincomalee District including Muttur. The 24 hour fishing ban off the Trincomalee harbor area has also been revised and fishermen are now allowed to fish in the area between 0400 – 1800 hours.

Displacement/ Returns

- On 18 June, 648 families (1,948 individuals) residing at the Government Sinhala School in Pulmoddai were moved to Sahanagama IDP site Plot 2.
- On 17 June, 94 IDP patients from Mullaitivu were released from the Thampalakamam, Kantalai and Trincomalee hospitals and transferred to Sahanagama IDP site Plot 2. These patients are the first IDPs to move to Plot 2 of this site.
- On 15 June, IDPs at the Kiliveddy IDP site relocated to Kadaparichan North (5 families/20 individuals), Chenaiyoor (8 families/33 individuals) and to Santhosapuram (21 families/84 individuals) in Muttur East. Some families opted to move into host families. UNHCR provided shelter kits.
- There are 1,501 families (4,748 individuals) at Plot 1 of the Shanhanagama IDP site in Pulmoddai. The total number of IDPs in Pulmoddai is 2,193 families (6,790 individuals).
- On 04 June, seven families (28 individuals) moved from Batticaloa IDP sites to the Manathchenai IDP site in Trincomalee. Authorities had initially planned to move 121 families (483 persons) to Trincomalee, but the majority had refused. The next movement of IDPs from Batticaloa is scheduled for 16 June.

Sector Developments/Gaps

Shelter

- IOM completed the construction of 50 emergency shelters at Plot 1 and completed 380 at Plot 2 in Sahanagama IDP site, Pulmoddai. Seventy shelters are under construction and 93 shelters damaged due to strong winds are being repaired.
- IOM is repairing 58 partly-damaged houses in Ralkully and Sallayoor in Muttur DS division.
- UNHCR through its partnership with OfERR has so far repaired 99 partly-damaged houses in return villages of Muttur East, while shelter material was distributed for 112 partly-damaged houses, which are now being repaired.
- UNHCR continues to coordinate with other stakeholders to complete emergency shelter construction at Plot 2 in the Sahanagama IDP Site in Pulmoddai.
- UNHCR provided OfERR with plastic sheets and timber to repair and partition shelters in Malachachenai IDP site in order to have decent accommodation for IDPs returning from Batticaloa.

NFRI

- PIN distributed slippers to 1,463 children (age 3 to 18) in Sahanagama IDP site, Pulmoddai.

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- UNHCR completed the distribution of NFRIs to all IDPs in Plot 1 Shahanagama IDP Site. In addition, UNHCR staff also distributed slippers donated by Maltheser International to all IDPs in Plot 1.
- UNHCR has also distributed NFRIs to three Indian Returnee families as well as seven IDP returnee families in Serunuwara, Seruvila DS division.

Food & Food Security

- WFP dispatched two tons of mixed food commodities to support 113 returnees at Gomarankadawala, 123 tons to support 8,757 returnees at Eachchilampattai, two tons for 556 returnees at Morawewa, 145 tons for 10,142 IDPs and returnees at Muttur and one ton for 95 IDPs at Kuchchaveli.
- Under the Mother and Child Nutrition Programme, WFP dispatched 11 tons of food commodities to support 61 health volunteers in Kantalai, two tons for 33 health volunteers in Kuchchaveli, four tons for 60 health volunteers in Kinniya and nine tons for 74 health volunteers in Muttur.
- WFP sent three tons of food items to Kantalai to support 1,000 children under its Food-for-Education Programme.
- WFP continues to support the IDP population of Pulmoddai with rations and coordinates the food sector and complementary food provision. Currently ZOA is providing complementary food and overseeing the communal cooking process at Plot 1 while World Concern will take responsibility for Plot 2.
- Since 24 April WFP has dispatched 85.2 MT of mixed food commodities to IDPs in Pulmoddai.
- ZOA completed the construction of four communal kitchens at Sahanagama Plot 2, which will cover needs of the IDPs who will be moved there.
- On 13 & 15 June FAO selected beneficiaries and trained selected farmers on pre-cultivation practices together with the Department of Agriculture in Sampoor and Nilaveli AI Ranges. Twenty five farmers in Kaddaiparichchan South were provided assistance for vegetable cultivation on 15 June.

Nutrition

- IOM will continue to support an ambulance in the Sahanagama IDP site until 12 July 2009.
- Construction work on the second Health and Nutrition Centre supported by UNICEF has started at Sahanagama IDP site, Plot 2. UNICEF plans to train service providers to deliver a Nutrition Rehabilitation Programme as soon as a trainer is available.
- WFP is planning to provide supplementary food to all children under five, and pregnant and lactating women. UNICEF will focus on therapeutic feeding for the severely acute malnourished children.

WASH

- Covering water needs of the Sahanagaman IDP site is increasingly challenging as wells have less water due to the dry season/drought.
- The development of WASH structures at Sahanagama Plot 2 is ongoing under the overall coordination of UNICEF. IOM is constructing four dug wells and four bathing spaces and UMCOR six. OXFAM has completed 52 toilets out of 56 and IOM 20 toilets out of 26. As of 18 June, 100 toilets were completed in Sahanagama Plot 2 which includes 28 constructed with UNICEF funds.
- The water plant at the Pulmoddai Mineral Sands factory has been repaired and an increased amount of water is being bowsered to IDP sites in Pulmoddai. The National Water Supply and Drainage Board, ACLG/Pradeshiya Saba, UNICEF, IOM, World Vision and Muslim Aid continue to bowser an average of 80,000 liters of drinking water and 40,000 liters of cleaning water per day to Sahanagama Plot 1 and Sinhala Maha Vidyalaya.
- World Vision International released ten water tanks with stands (capacity of 1,000 liters each) to Plot 02 in Sahanagama IDP site.
- To ensure there is a reliable alternative water source available and given the limited water sources in Pulmoddai, OXFAM in collaboration with the ACLG/Pradeshiya Saba, NWSDB and UNICEF are finalizing plans to install a water purification plant at Yan Oya in Pulmoddai, which can supply a minimum of 50 cubic meters of drinking water per day. The bowsers are currently collecting water from the Mineral Sands Factory, and two common wells in Pulmoddai.
- UNICEF through ACLG/Pradeshiya Saba is constructing a dug well closer to Kariyaweli Kulam minor irrigation tank to ensure the availability of clean water as the wells in Plot 1 are producing very little water.

Education

- On 15 June, the Emergency Education coordination meeting organized by the Eastern Provincial Director of Education took place with the support of UNICEF. The meeting reviewed ongoing education activities for displaced children and identified gaps that need to be met, to ensure that activities are carried out as smoothly as possible. The need for additional TLS in Plot 1 was raised and UNICEF held a discussion with the DS to identify available space to put up the additional TLS. The need for additional black boards and furniture for teachers was also raised. UNICEF will support the construction of additional TLS and blackboards while SCiSL will provide furniture for the teachers.
- Mapping out the area set aside for TLS in Sahanagama Plot 2 was completed on 17 June with the assistance of the surveyor. Five TLS will be put up on 17 June by UNICEF, SCiSL and ZOA to accommodate children who will be moved from the Sinhala Maha Vidyalaya to Sahanagama Plot 2.

Protection & Child Protection

- UNHCR continues its return monitoring in Muttur East and Echchilampattai to ensure sustainable returns.

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- UNHCR community services staff in close collaboration with the Social Service Department Officer continue to assess tents at the Sahanagama IDP site. So far 51 cases of People with Special Needs (PWSN) were identified and referrals made to address their specific needs.
- UNICEF continues to provide technical support and resources to the Department of Probation and Child Care Services to identify and reintegrate separated and unaccompanied children. Ninety separated and unaccompanied children have been identified so far. UNICEF also continues to advocate with the Probation Commissioner for the speedy release of children to their families and relatives. Delays in reunification are due to a shortage of probation staff and a lack of logistical coordination in arranging security for the transportation of children with police escorts from Pulmoddai to Trincomalee town (to be produced before the Magistrate) and transfer thereafter to Vavuniya.
- UNICEF identified three community facilitators through implementing partner Social Development Fund to closely follow up on the well being of separated and unaccompanied children in displacement camps.
- UNICEF supported CFS activities and the training of child facilitators in the Sahanagama IDP transit site. Recreational and psychosocial activities were conducted for the children on a daily basis during the reporting period.
- UNICEF conducts regular protection monitoring visits to the IDP sites.
- UNICEF implementing partners, MRE Unit Kachcheri and the Community Trust Fund (CTF) conducted Mine Risk Education activities in resettled locations and IDP sites. 1,203 adults and 660 children participated in various activities such as group discussions, drawings, drama, direct presentations and poster distributions. Awareness programs were also conducted for 47 recent returnee families from Batticaloa in resettled locations.

Psychosocial

- The Psychosocial Unit of the Provincial Education Department continues to provide psychosocial activities in both IDP sites with support from UNICEF.

Early Recovery & Livelihoods

- IOM completed the construction of 2 IT centers in Morawewa and Sinhapura.
- PINs' "Production Value Development" livelihood project is at its final stage. A "Value Chain Development" training was conducted to increase potential marketing opportunities and the profit of small scale farmers for the Co-operative societies of Annal Nagar, Naduoothu, Puddaivaikatu and Salappaiyaru in Trincomalee District.

Logistics

- WFP Trincomalee is providing trucking support to I/NGOs and UN agencies involved in the humanitarian response to Vanni IDPs in Pulmoddai.
- IOM provided free transport to UNHCR, UNICEF and Malteser to transport NFRI items to Pulmoddai.

BATTICALOA DISTRICT

Situation update

- The general security situation in the District remains unchanged. Six significant security incidents (including abductions and killings) took place in the District during the reporting period. The security forces continue their intensive cordon and search operations throughout the district to keep the situation under control.

Displacement/ Returns

- Government statistics of 09 June 2009 showed there were 5,809 IDPs (1,520 families) in Batticaloa District.
- As part of the Government plan to consolidate camp sites for IDPs from the High Security Zone/ Special Economy Zone (HSZ/SEZ) in Trincomalee District, 24 persons (7 families) living at the Palacholai IDP camp were transferred to Kiliveddy IDP site in Trincomalee on 4 June 2009. The families were transported in two buses to Verugal ferry point where registration was carried out by security forces. The remaining IDPs in Batticaloa have so far rejected offers made by the Government for relocation.

Sector Developments/Gaps

Shelter

- UNHCR installed 19 solar lamps in common places in some resettlement areas in Kiran DS division.
- UNHCR's shelter implementing partner OfERR commenced the repair of 19 houses in Kannankuda, Vavunateevu DS.
- Oxfam Australia and implementing partners have built 104 permanent houses across seven DS divisions.

NFRI

- 262 resettled families in Kudumbimalai in Kiran DS division has received soaps and box of matches from Oxfam Australia

Food

- 2,667 IDPs residing in the camp received 19.039 MT of food commodities from WFP as their 2 weeks rations. 3,621 IDPs who are living with host families were provided with 50.668 MT of food rations as their 4 weeks entitlement. Also 1,022 resettled persons in Kudumbimalai obtained 14.308 MT of food rations for 4 weeks and 99 resettled persons in Vadamanai/Uthuchenai received 2.079 MT for 6 weeks.

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- Oxfam Australia distributed complementary food for 262 resettled families in Kudumbimalai in Kiran DS div.

WASH

- During the past two weeks, 180,000 liters of drinking water was distributed to resettled persons in Kudumbimalai resettled GN by the Pradeshiya Saba Valaichenai with UNICEF support.
- At Kirumutti IDP site in Kiran, VOVCOD gave 180 cubes of soap to 60 families and UNICEF expectant mother kits to five pregnant women. Shramadana activities with 35 families cleaned the toilets and camp environment.
- 165 cubes of soap were distributed by UNICEF through VOVCOD among 56 families in Mavadivembu IDP site and 144 cubes of bath and 129 laundry soap were distributed among 91 families in Savukkady IDP site in Chenkalady DS.
- Five garbage bins were placed by UNICEF in the Kokkuvil IDPs site in and Shramadana activities took place at the site on 06 June to clean the toilets and camp environment. A hygiene awareness session was conducted by VOVCOD with the support of UNICEF and hygiene promotion leaflets were also distributed at the site.

Education

- The District Education Coordination Meeting held at the District Secretariat and chaired by the District Secretary on 02 June was attended by ZDEs from Paddiruppu, Kalkudha, Batticaloa Central, UNICEF, WV, IOM, EHED, arche noVa and WFP. ZDEs in general reported that water is becoming scarce due to the current dry season while ZDE Kalkudha noted urgent needs for toilets, urinals and furniture.
- The UNICEF Chief of Education and other colleagues visited some schools in the Kiran resettled areas, Batticaloa and Akkaraipattu Zones to meet teachers, parents and students to identify challenges and corrective measures for further improvement. The team also attended review meetings with the Batticaloa and Ampara District ZDEs.

Health

- TDH conducted a two-day hygiene promotion training for 34 TDH Community Health Volunteers in Chenkalady DS to train communities in Health, Family Planning & Nutrition. TDH nurses and health trainers also supported the MoH conduct ANC and WBC clinics.
- 13.882 MT of CSB was dispatched by WFP to the MOHs for distribution to 7,343 beneficiaries (pregnant/ lactating mothers and children under 5 years).
- Mobile medical clinics were conducted by World Vision across six GN divisions in Vaharai where 31 men, 82 women and 47 children were screened and given medicine.
- 20 boxes of high energy biscuits and 15 pregnant mothers' kits were distributed by UNICEF through RDHS to IDPs from the Vanni who were admitted to Polonnaruwa Hospital.
- UNICEF's Nutrition Rehabilitation Programme across the resettled divisions is ongoing and 138 severely acute malnourished children were discharged from the programme during the last week.
- The Regional Epidemiologist reported 60 suspected cases of dengue fever and three reported deaths due to dengue. A district level awareness programme on dengue prevention is ongoing.
- JEN conducted nutrition workshops in Mulliwadduvan, Kulathumadu and Kudamunaikal villages of Kiran DS for 120 beneficiaries.

Protection & Child Protection

- The UNHCR Protection team carried out regular field visits to IDP camps in Kiran and Chenkalady DS divisions and resettlement villages in Kiran and Vavunateeuvu.
- Sarvodaya with the support of UNICEF organized Mine Risk, Child Protection and Nutrition awareness sessions, Shramadhana and childrens' club activities (evening class, reading library books, children's awareness meeting, home visit and parent awareness meetings, wrote MRE lyrics by the children) for 926 children (402 boys and 524 girls) and 477 adults (183 men and 294 women) in 27 villages across eight DS divisions.
- UNICEF facilitated a workshop on 1612 for 20 staff of UNOCHA, UNHCR, SCiSL, Amici Di Bambini, HRCSL, ESCO, CP Arts and NPSL.

Psychosocial

- TDH had a volley ball and netball coaching camp for 75 youth club members from five villages in five DS divisions.
- JEN conducted mass counseling, family counseling and group counseling sessions in 5 villages in Kiran DS for 71 individuals.

Early Recovery & Livelihoods

- UNHCR distributed fishing nets to ten fishermen and provided assistance to five female headed households to open up small retail shops in Kudumbimalai in Kiran DS.
- UNHCR is excavating earth to lay the foundation to construct a rice mill for Uthuchenai village in Kiran.
- World Vision is conducting a vocational training in tailoring for 30 women at Pankudavely.
- A road construction started by World Vision at Korallavely in Kiran will benefit five villages.
- JEN together with agriculture instructors demonstrated agriculture techniques, pest control methods, soil preparation and poly bag filling method for 360 individuals from six villages in Kiran DS.

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Acronyms		
<p>ACLG - Assistant Commissioner Local Government ADGM - age, gender and diversity mainstreaming AP - Anti-Personnel ASC - Area Security Coordinator AWF - Affected Women Forum BAC - Battle Area Clearance CBDRM - Community Based Disaster Risk Management CBI - Classroom Based Intervention CBO - Community Based Organisations CBSM - Confidence Building and Stabilization Measures CCHA - Consultative Committee on Humanitarian Assistance CF - child friendly CFA - Cease Fire Agreement CFE - Child Friendly Environment CM - Camp Management C&M - Care and Maintenance COC - Chamber of Commerce CRADA - Centre for Rehabilitation of Alcoholics and Drug Addicts CRC - Child Rights Convention CRDO - Community Resource Development Organisation CSB - Corn Soya Blend CTF - Community Trust Fund CWBC - Child Well-Being Committee DAPH - Department of Animal Production and Health DDG - Danish De-mining Group DMAO - District Mine Action Offices DDMC - District Disaster Management Coordinator DDMU - District Disaster Management Unit DMU - Disaster Management Unit DoA - Department of Agriculture DPDHS - Deputy Provincial Director of Health Services DPU - Deep Penetration Unit DRMU - Disaster Risk Management Unit DRR - Disaster Risk Reduction DSD - Divisional Secretariat Division ECCDC - Early Childhood Care and Development Centers ECE - Early Childhood Education</p>	<p>ECHO - Humanitarian Aid Department EHESP - Emergency House Hold Economic Security Program EHI - Essential Household Items EOD - explosive ordnance disposal EVI - Extremely Vulnerable Individual FDL - Forward Defence Line FFE - Food for Education FFW - Food for Work FSA - Field Security Advisor FSD - Swiss Foundation for Mine Action GAA - German Agro Action GND - Grama Niladari Division GP - Guiding Principles GRC - German Red Cross GS - Grama Sevaka GTMS - Government Tamil Mixed School GVC - Gruppo Volontariato Civile HALO - Hazardous Area Life Support Organization HRC - Human Rights Commission HSZ - High Security Zone LOLDDL - Land O' Lakes Dairy Development Lanka ICRC - International Committee of the Red Cross MA - Mine Action MCN - Mother and Child Nutrition MMIPE - Milinda Moragoda Institute For Peoples' Empowerment MN - Manmunai North ZEO - Zonal Education Office MoD - Ministry of Defense MOH - Medical Officer of Health MRE - Mine Risk Education MSF - Doctors Without Borders NECORD - North East Community Restoration Development NPA - Norwegian People Aid NRP - Nutrition Rehabilitation Programme NWS&DB - National Water Supply Drainage Board PPCC - Professional Psycho-social Counseling Centre PHM - Public Health Midwives</p>	<p>PS - Pradeshiya Saba QIP - Quick Impact Project RDA - Road Development Authority RDHS - Regional Directorate of Health Services RDS - Rural Development Society REERDO - Rural Economic, Education, Research and Development Organization RSG - Representative of the Secretary General RCTMS - Roman Catholic Tamil Mixed School rwh - rain water harvesting SAA - Small Arms Ammunition SAC - School Attendance Committee SBM - School Based Management SCC - Shelter Coordination Cell SCiSL - Save the Children in Sri Lanka SDS - School Development Society SFP - School Feeding Programme SLF - Sewa Lanka Foundation SLMM - Sri Lanka Monitoring Mission SLRCS - Sri Lanka Red Cross Society SM - Social Mobilization STF - Special Task Force SOND - Social Organisation for Networking for Development SIYB - Start and Improve Your Business) TCCS - Thrift and Credit Co-op Societies TDDA - Trincomalee District Development Association TDH - Terre des hommes ToT - Training of Trainers TS - Temporary Shelter TMVP - Thamil Makkal Viduthalai Pulikal TP - Transition Programme VEP - Village Emergency Preparedness VGF - Vulnerable Group Feeding VOSD - Voluntary Organization for Social Development WC - Welfare Center WV - World Vision WWDF - Working Women Development Foundation</p>

Abbreviations of places

<p>Jaffna (Jaf) Alank - Alankulai Chank - Chankanai Chava - Chavakachcheri Guru - Gurunagar Kara - Karaveddy Karai - Karainagar Karan - Karanavai Maddu - Madduvil Maru - Maruthapuram Navan - Navanthurai Sahaya - Sahayapuram Sandi - Sandilipay</p>	<p>Sirupp - Siruppiddy Tell - Tellipalai Then - Thenmaradchi Thiru - Thirunagar Udu - Uduvil Uyara - Uyarapulam Vada - Vadamaradchi Valik SW - Valikamam South West Vatha - Vatharavathai</p> <p>Kilinochchi (Kili), Mullaitivu (Mullai)</p> <p>Vavuniya (Vavu), Mannar Thalv - Thalvupadu Achch - Achchankulam</p>	<p>Nana - Nanaddan Umana - Umanakeri Rasool - Rasoolputhuveli</p> <p>Trincomalee (Trinco) Each - Eachchilampattai Kuch - Kuchchaveli Kilive - Kiliveddy</p> <p>Batticaloa (Batti) Thampa - Thampalakamam Batti - Batticaloa Aray - Arayampathy Chenk - Chenkalady KPN - Koralai Pattu North (**Vaharai) DS</p>	<p>KP - Koralai Pattu (**Valachchenai) EP - Eravur Pattu (**Chenk) DS KPC - Koralai Pattu Central Kalu - Kaluwanchikudy Padd - Paddiruppu Vavuna - Vavunatheevu Valach - Valachchenai Kodu - Koduwamadu Panku - Pankudaveli Mara - Marapalam Ontha - Onthachimadam Kuru - Kurukkalmadam</p> <p>Pala - Palameenmadu Kok - Kokkuvil Panich - Panichchankerny Mank - Mankerny Paddip - Paddipalai</p> <p>Ampara (Amp) Akka - Akkaraipattu Kal - Kalmunai Thiruk - Thirukkovil</p>
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