

## Uganda

26 March 2018

**43,908**

DRC new arrivals  
registered in 2017  
(OPM RIMS)

**275,677**

DRC refugees  
as of 28 February 2018  
(OPM RIMS)

**65,773**

DRC new arrivals  
since 1 January 2018  
(UNHCR wrist-banding)

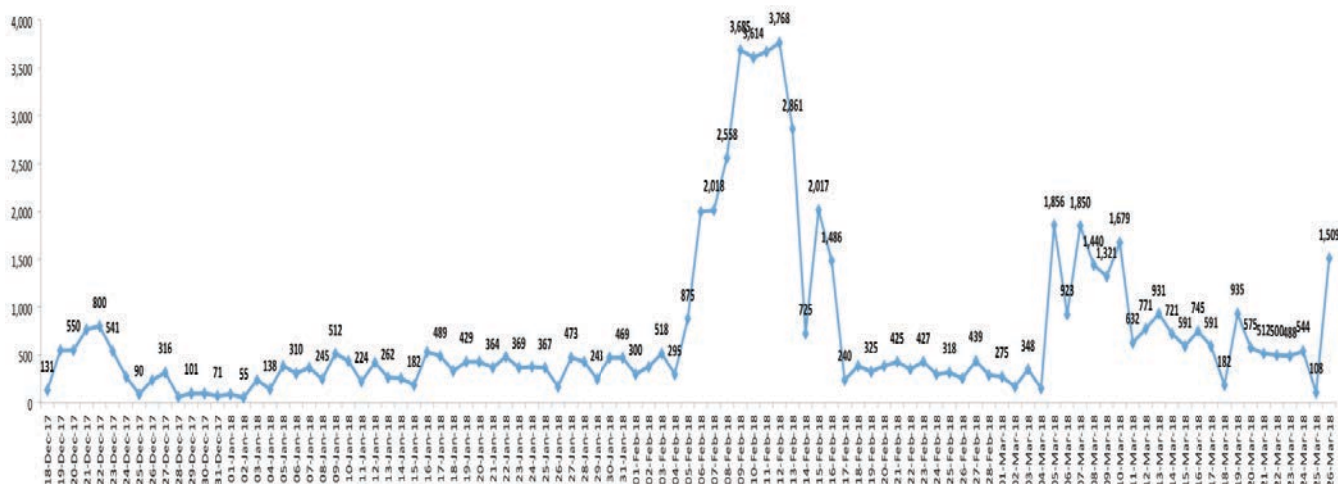
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## HIGHLIGHTS

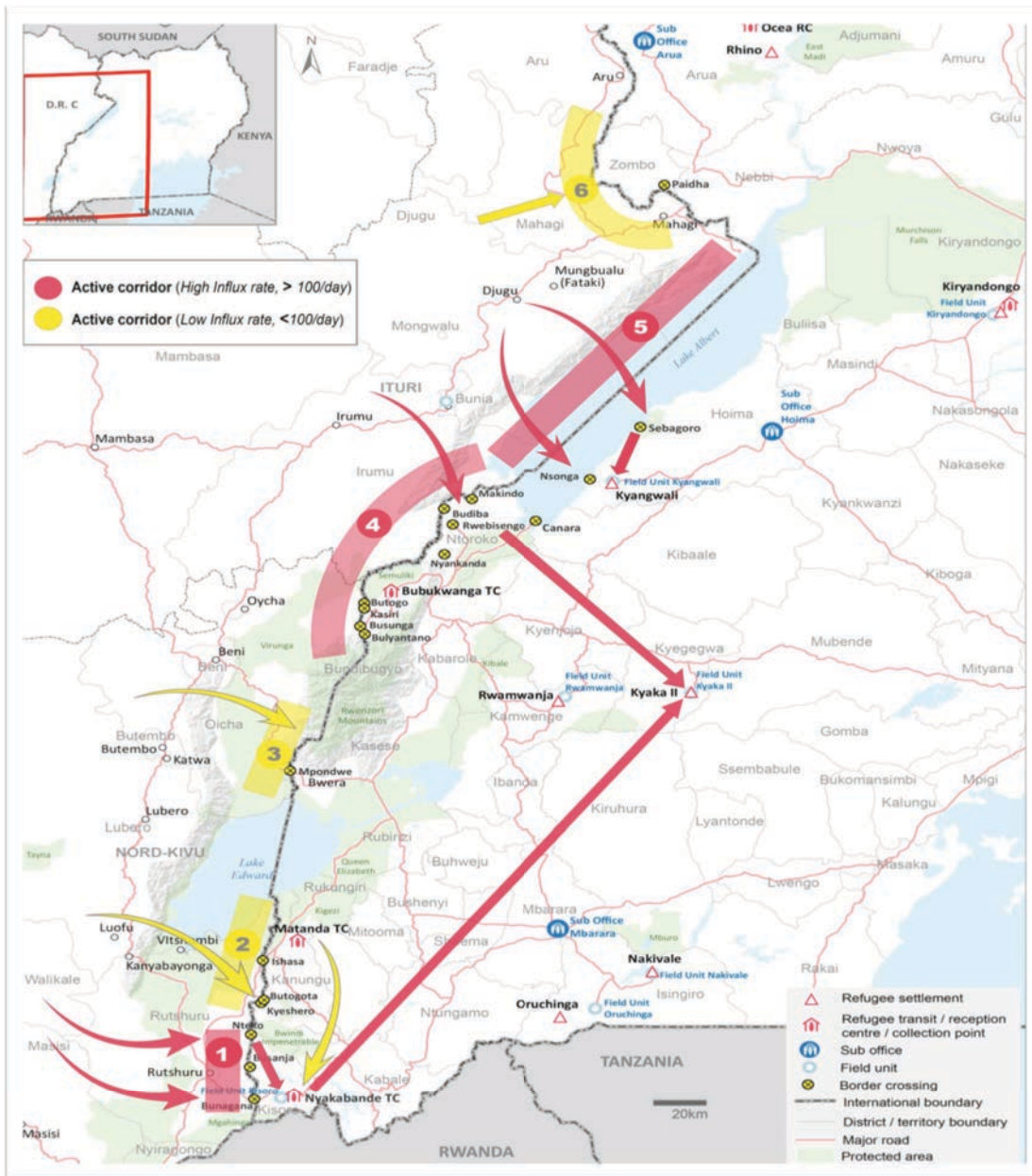
- Between 20 and 26 March 2018, some 4,236 new refugees entered Uganda from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), including 931 from North Kivu transiting through entry points in Kisoro and Kanungu districts and another 3,305 across Lake Albert arriving at landing sites in Hoima and Ntoroko districts.
- The total number of new arrivals since 1 January 2018 has reached 65,773 – above the 2018 operational planning figure of 60,000 new arrivals from the DRC. Of the total number of DRC refugees since 1 January 2018, some 45,041 are from Ituri, and 20,732 from North Kivu.
- The refugee flow into Uganda remained significant during the reporting period, with a daily influx of 605 individuals compared to 670 during the previous seven days. The refugees arriving from Ituri are predominantly from the villages of Chomia, Nyamamba, Kafe, Torgetse, Bee, Ndoki, Kyomo and Joo. Those coming from North Kivu are mainly from Masisi, Binza, Bukona, Rutshuru, Busanza, Bewisha and Jomba.
- In Kyangwali, 41,812 new refugee arrivals have been registered and settled since mid-December, with 1,812 remaining at Kagoma reception centre awaiting allocation of land and relocation. With Kyangwali inching closer to reach maximum capacity, UNHCR and the Office of the Prime Minister (OPM) held preliminary discussions on potential new sites suitable to accommodate new arrivals from the DRC.
- In Kyaka II, 21,280 new refugee arrivals have been allocated a plot of land since mid-December, while another 1,447 are currently sheltering at Swese reception centre awaiting relocation. Since were received from Ntoroko during the reporting period, bringing the number of new arrivals in Kyaka II since mid-December to 20,988. Some 1,838 individuals are currently sheltering at Sweswe reception centre awaiting relocation to settlement areas.
- Since the onset of the cholera outbreak, a total of 2,006 cholera cases have been reported in Kyangwali (1,898) and Kyaka II (108) and 42 cholera-related deaths – 39 in Kyangwali and 3 in Kyaka II. This represents a mortality rate of 2.09, with no deaths occurred during the reporting period. Furthermore, 661 cases of bloody diarrhea have been reported in Kyangwali since 19 February. Active search and preventive measures have been reinforced in cooperation with the Hoima District Health Office. No cases of bloody diarrhea have been reported so far in Kyaka II. As part of the cholera response, partners have scaled up hygiene promotion at reception facilities, settlement areas and host community villages. Construction of latrines, water stands and showers continued in the settlements during the reporting period as well as distribution of water purification tablets.

- In Kyangwali, partners have identified 3,050 persons with specific needs (PSNs) since mid-December. Among them are 1,587 unaccompanied and separated children, of which 42 were reunited with their families and 50 others are pending reunification. Furthermore, 149 survivors of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) have been identified since the beginning of the influx in mid-December. Of them, 135 incidents occurred in the country of origin and 14 others in the country of asylum. All survivors received psychosocial support and legal counselling. To reduce the risk of SGBV, partners continued to strengthened protection monitoring, awareness-raising and referral mechanisms, in addition to investing in preventive measures such as streetlights and latrine locks.
- In Kyaka II, partners have identified 2,510 PSNs since mid-December, including 1,085 unaccompanied and separated children, 98 SGBV survivors, six child mothers and four children with disabilities. Of the total number of unaccompanied minors and separated children, 604 were placed in foster care and 23 others reunited with their families. All SGBV survivors were referred for psychosocial and medical assistance and legal counselling.

### DRC new arrivals to Uganda - 18 December 2017 - 26 March 2018



## DRC refugee influx into southwestern Uganda



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