MULTI SECTOR INITIAL RAPID NEEDS ASSESSMENT TO MONGUNO TOWN

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Basic details

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Methodology

The assessment utilised key informant interviews (KII), focus group discussions (FGDs) and structured direct observation (DO) as the methodology. The tools used were adapted to suit the context and designed to triangulate information collected. The assessment design and methodology attempted to capture maximum extent of information from multiple sources, while considering views and needs of various groups in the population in shortest possible timeframe.

Team: The assessment team was composed of members that were previously trained on the use of the tools and are practitioners in the emergency response field. The members received pre-departure brief and a de-brief upon return. The team comprised of both male and female members that were conversant with the area and spoke the local languages.

The team held separate FGDs for men, women, adolescent boys, and adolescent girls. Further key informant interviews were held with 2 community leaders (one male and one female) to strengthen the quality of the information. In total, the assessment covered 64 male IDPs and 16 female IDPs.

Due to the short timeframe for data collection errors and omissions are possible. Please share any comments and observations e through kyari.audu.gubio@nrc.no.

Context, general security situation, population movements

Monguno is a local government area in Borno State. Monguno town is the administrative headquarters of the LGA. It is located in the northern part of the state 137Km away from Maiduguri.

The security situation in Monguno is said to be relatively calm but unpredictable. Monguno is one of the town with highest IDPs in the state with over 130,000 individuals staying in 12 camps (8 Formal and 4 Informal) and some affected populations spread within host communities.

The recent attack by NSAG of some wards in Kukawa LGA namely; Baga, Doro, Bunduram, Kekeno, kauwa, Kukawa and others in Guzamala LGA namely; Mairari, Bunari and again the ongoing military operations around the lake chad region has necessitated the influx of populations from these locations into Monguno town to seek refuge due to direct attack and (or) fear of being attacked. It is estimated that over 3000-4000HH have so
far being received in Monguno over the last 2 months. This population are in critical condition and in dire need of basic services as the recent withdrawal of most partners in Monguno due to some security reasons have further deteriorated the situation.

### Estimated population and affected population in the area

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<th>Location</th>
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<th>Total HH</th>
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<td>Monguno reception center</td>
<td>IDPs</td>
<td>1700 HH (estimated)</td>
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A more accurate figure for displaced families will be available upon completion of registration. Through discussions with key informants and FGDs, there is an influx of between 1500-2000 families in the current wave of IDPs from the communities that were recently affected by the conflict.

### Key problems and priorities identified by the affected population

Priorities stated during all interviews:

1. Shelter
2. Food
3. NFIs – Tarps, Cooking utensils, Sleeping mats, Blankets, Hygiene items and Clothing
4. WaSH

### WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)

Availability of water was cited as main priority across all interviews. There is one water point (borehole), which is serving the previously-displaced caseload and the current influx with long waiting hours of more than 2 hours. There are not enough accessible water points to satisfy the demand, and this was cited in all FGDs and KIIs in the reception centre.

Hygiene items were stated to be some of the needs across all FGDs especially within women and children. Lack of adequate latrine was also stated as a need as available are incapable of serving the existing caseload and the current influx of new arrivals. Open defecation is also a common practice seen around the settlement.

### SHELTER AND ESSENTIAL NON-FOOD ITEMS (NFIs)

Shelter is cited as a major need across all interviews due to harsh weather conditions as almost 90% of the new arrivals are sleeping on open space with no appropriate shelter and the camp is observed to be overcrowded. It was also identified that there is no enough land for the new arrivals to construct makeshift shelters as some of the new arrivals are living by the road side under trees.

Essential NFIs such as Cooking utensils, Blankets, Mosquito nets, sleeping mats, Jerry cans etc. were also identified as a critical need across all interviews.

### FOOD AND LIVELIHOOD

Food is also cited as a priority across all interviews as most of the new arrivals are not able to come along with their food items. It was also cited across all FGDs that new arrivals are not captured in existing food distributions. Some explained that they eat once in a day.

This necessitated the new arrivals to employ different coping strategies such as begging for food due to lack of assistance and money to access markets as there is no any means to start livelihood activities.
MARKETS AND MARKET SUPPLY CHAINS
The local market in Monguno is functioning relatively well and can meet the needs of the populace albeit to a limited degree. This is made possible because the Maiduguri-Monguno Road is still open and accessible to civilian transport. Traders have easy access to Maiduguri Metropolitan Council from Monguno without military escort.

EXTERNAL CAPACITY - LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS OPERATING IN THE AREA
Implementing organisation and type of programme
There are number of organizations delivering assistance in Monguno, however coordination needs to be improved. The withdrawal of some agencies have also deteriorated the situation and there is limited flow of information between agencies for proper coordination.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION – LOGISTICS, COMMS AND ACCESS
The Maiduguri-Monguno Road remains accessible without military escort. However, the road is manned by several military checkpoints along the way.

Monguno is not covered by mobile network service.

Photos of new arrivals