



IOM Sierra Leone Flood Response

SITUATION REPORT | 23 September 2015



IOM logistics staff deliver 200 mattresses, blankets, tarps, boots, hand sanitizer, soap, and hand washing stations to the Atuga Stadium displacement site on 22 September 2015. Demand for these items has skyrocketed as the camp population has grown rapidly.

SITUATION OVERVIEW

- As of 22 September, 14,423 people have been registered in Freetown as displaced up from 8,445 on 19 September. 7,909 are registered at the National Stadium (According to the National Security Sector Group as of 23 September roughly 2,170 sleeping overnight) and 6,514 at Atuga Stadium (roughly 936 sleeping overnight – a drop of 200 in 24 hours). In Bo, 3,293 and in Pujehun 800 persons have been registered as affected by floods. New rains have caused flooding in Bonthe district and an assessment of the damage is underway.
- For affected communities in Pujehun and Bo access has been challenging and in some cases small boats or helicopters are being used. Schools are hosting some of the displaced.
- The Government has issued statements about relocating up to 15,000 persons living in flood-prone areas in Freetown to a green site outside of Waterloo near Mile 6. Government teams are assessing the site presently but no comprehensive relocation plan has been issued. A ministerial level group has been formed for planning purposes.
- According to the National Security Sector Group the initial flood response operation will continue until 2 October.
- The Ministry of Health and Sanitation is increasing provisions at Atuga Stadium for possible cases of diarrhea and cholera. Cases of respiratory ailments are in evidence due to a lack of blankets.

IOM's Response

Emergency Shelter/CCCM

- IOM has deployed 2 experienced CCCM experts, 1 at the National Stadium and 1 at Atuga Stadium to support ONS in all CCCM activities.
- IOM is currently coordinating training with ONS for local officials.

Health

- In coordination with MOHS, WHO and US CDC, IOM is facilitating a 2-day Infection Prevention and Control training and a 1-day basic IPC refresher training at Atuga Stadium from 25-27 September.
- IOM IPC staff are training 32 social mobilizers on cholera and watery diarrhea signs and symptoms on 23 September.

WASH

IOM has provided the following items over the past 48 hours:

Atuga Stadium

- 40 liters of liquid chlorine
- 50 kg of powder chlorine
- 40 bottles of hand sanitizer
- 8 veronica buckets
- 6 pairs of boots for latrine cleaners

National Stadium

- 100 bottles of liquid soap
- 65 bottles of hand sanitizer
- 240 rolls of paper towels

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