UN Mission for Ebola Emergency Response (UNMEER)
External Situation Report
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KEY POINTS

- Provisional total of 12 newly confirmed cases in Sierra Leone during the week to 7 June, emanating from just 2 districts (Kambia and Port Loko).
- The sensitization and active Ebola case search campaign in Dubréka (Guinea) began yesterday.

Key Political and Economic Developments

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Response Efforts and Health

2. In total, 27,189 confirmed, probable, and suspected cases of Ebola have been reported in the three most affected countries. There have been 11,149 reported deaths.

3. In Sierra Leone, the National Ebola Response Centre (NERC) reported 4 newly confirmed cases over the weekend, 3 in Port Loko (2 in Kaffu Bullom, 1 in BKM) and 1 in Kambia (Tonko Limba), bringing the provisional total number of newly confirmed cases for the week to 7 June to 12 (the same total as during the week to 31 May). All of the cases emanated from just 2 districts.

4. In Guinea, the sensitization and active case search campaign in Dubréka began yesterday. Door-to-door sensitization activities were organized in Tanene, where recent cases of violent resistance took place. WHO had earlier redeployed some members of its monitoring team from the Forest Region to Dubréka.

5. Guinea’s National Coordination has informed that last week’s confirmed case in Boké was a community death who had been registered as a contact but not traced due to recent cases of community resistance. The person died at the home of a traditional healer. This incident shows that some traditional healers in the prefecture are still reticent to the Ebola response strategies.

6. As community resistance in Fria prefecture has eased, contact tracing has continued. However, it has been reported that some of the recent contacts have still not been traced, since they had fled the Ebola response teams. A refusal of contact tracing teams has also been reported in Kaounda Baila locality. A UNICEF and WHO team has been deployed to the locality to help to solve the issue.

Logistics

7. For regular logistics operational information please visit http://www.logcluster.org/ops/ebola14.

Resource Mobilisation

8. The OCHA Ebola Virus Outbreak Overview of Needs and Requirements, now totalling USD 2.27 billion, has been funded for USD 1.5 billion, which is around 66% of the total ask.

9. The Ebola Response Multi-Partner Trust Fund currently has USD 140 million in commitments. In total USD 142 million has been pledged.

10. All humanitarian partners, including donors and recipient agencies, are encouraged to inform OCHA’s Financial Tracking Service (http://fts.unocha.org) of their contributions via the e-mail address: fts@un.org.

Outreach and Education

11. In Guinea, the emergency radio education series devised by the Ministry of Education and supported by UNICEF continues on Rural Radio Forécariah. A programme on Ebola is broadcasted every morning while two other education programmes are broadcasted in the evenings and over the weekends.
Essential Services

12. The final report of the measles vaccination campaign in Guinea in April showed that 1,358,034 children (aged 6 months to 9 years) were vaccinated against the disease. UNICEF and partners continued vaccinations as part of the Maternal and Child Health Week, which ran from 2-7 June.

13. The WASH Cluster presented the results of a study about WASH interventions in the health centres in Guinea, which shows that the prefectures with less WASH interventions are Faranah, Mamou and Kindia, all of them bordering Sierra Leone.

Upcoming Events

14. UNMEER Acting SRSG Mr. Peter Graaff is in Accra today and is expected to meet with President John Dramani Mahama.

Attachments and resources