

Appeal: MDRLY004	Country: Libya	Hazard: Population Movement	Type of DREF Response
Crisis Category: Yellow	Event Onset: Sudden	DREF Allocation: CHF 357,308	
Glide Number: OT-2023-000116-LBY	People Affected: 6,000 people	People Targeted: 3,000 people	
Operation Start Date: 2023-07-29	Operation Timeframe: 4 months	Operation End Date: 2023-11-30	DREF Published: 2023-07-31
Targeted Areas:	Nuqat al Khams		

Description of the Event

Libya: Population Movement Tunisian Border IFRC July 2023



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What happened, where and when?

On July 14th, the Libyan Red Crescent was informed by the local authorities that 1,100 migrants had been detected on the Libyan-Tunisian borders. The authorities requested the LRC to respond to the event. These migrants, originating from different African countries, were passing through Tunisia in an attempt to cross to Europe and have been held by the Tunisian authorities and expelled at the Tunisian borders with other countries including Libya. The migrants had crossed the Tunisian territory and were hosted by the Libyan border guard forces.



Scope and Scale

Since the second week of July, Libyan border guards have been coming to the rescue of sub-Saharan migrants expelled by the Tunisian authorities at the Libyan-Tunisian borders. □

According to the Libyan authorities, the migrants were found abandoned without water, food, or shelter in temperatures exceeding 50 degrees in an uninhabited area close to Al-Assah, which is about 15 kilometers (15 miles) inside Libyan territory and 150 kilometers (93 miles) west of Tripoli. □

The Libyan government issued a statement on Tuesday 25 July announcing the discovery of five bodies of migrants who died in the desert in an area on the border with Tunisia. □

Libya have become home to at least 600,000 sub-Saharan migrants. The numbers are increasing and the duration of the migrants' stay is prolonged until the voluntary return program is prepared with the International Organization for Migration. □

Rescued migrants have been found to suffer from physical injuries such as first-degree burns due to the heatwaves hitting the area and were in very critical conditions, health services and personal hygiene materials were provided, and it is expected to receive an additional number of immigrants during the current week. □

Local authorities contacted the Libyan Red Crescent to reach out for help as the number of migrants has exceeded the shelters capacities. The National Society responded to the humanitarian needs immediately and assisted the affected people by providing first aid services, drinking water and snacks, and migrants were hosted by the local authorities inside the shelter. □

Due to the absence of embassies for some nationalities, their deportation will be delayed in the long term and their presence will remain until intervention is made by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the International Organization for Migration. □

The situation continues to develop and the humanitarian situation continuous to deteriorate with more people arriving at the Tunisian-Libyan borders in addition to the heatwaves experienced during this period. Different sources reported that several bodies were recovered from the area. LRC is the only entity responding in the field.

Previous Operations

Has a similar event affected the same area(s) in the last 3 years?	Yes
Did it affect the same population groups?	No
Did the National Society respond?	Yes

Did the National Society request funding from DREF for that event(s)?	Yes
If yes, please specify which operations	MDRLY002
Lessons learned Several challenges were faced during the previous operations including lack of understanding on DREF guidelines, delay in delivering shelter items to the national society, miscommunication with different actors on the ground and significant delays in reporting. □ A number of recommendations were presented by the national society during the lessons learned workshop in the previous operation. □ Follow up on these recommendations and agreement on mitigation measures will be discussed and documented during a kickoff meeting for the operation in the presence of the country delegation, national society and the MENA regional office.	

Current National Society Actions

Water, Sanitation And Hygiene	In collaboration with ICRC, KIT 5 water platform has been installed in the Benghazi shelter providing drinking water to more than 700 people for 10 days. In collaboration with UNICEF, personal hygiene kits were distributed to 600 migrants.
Migration	Serving emergency food parcels. A family communication program was offered for immigrants to contact their families.
Health	Providing first aid to more than 479 migrants who were suffering from different injuries. 110 migrants were detected with deteriorating health and were in critical conditions.

Movement Partners Actions Related To The Current Event

IFRC	The IFRC through the country delegation is providing the technical support needed and will support through the procurement of the items under this operation. the IFRC Regional Office will extend all the support needed throughout the operation timeframe technically and also through GHS and SCM unit.
ICRC	The KIT 5 water platform was provided in collaboration with ICRC to the migrant shelter in Benghazi city to provide safe drinking water to 1200 migrants daily for two weeks.
Participating National Societies	



Other Actors Actions Related To The Current Event

Government has requested international assistance	Yes
National authorities	The Libyan Red Crescent works in close coordination with the national authorities and was officially requested to respond to the humanitarian situation on the Libyan-Tunisian borders. The national authorities are providing shelter to the rescued migrants in addition to limited relief items.
UN or other actors	The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) have provided drinking water, food and hygiene kits for about 600 stranded migrants on the Libyan-Tunisian border, quarter of them are children in urgent need.□ UNICEF has no presence on the ground and works through the Libyan Red Crescent.
Are there major coordination mechanisms in place?	



Needs (Gaps) Identified

Livelihoods And Basic Needs

Migrants at the border are left with no means of survival, no food or water. There's a clear need for ready food parcels and dry food parcels to cover the immediate needs and the needs of the migrants during their stay in the shelters until they return to their home countries.

The national society will provide the rescued migrants with small individual emergency food packages and will provide the ones in the shelter with dry food as the shelters have kitchens.

Shelter Housing And Settlements

The migrants are found in open areas in very difficult weather conditions. The authorities have prepared shelters for the rescued migrants, however, there's a need to provide 100 tents to receive the migrants until they are transported to the authorities' shelters and to provide 3,000 blankets (summer covers for hot weather).

Migration

As the migrants have been left at the borders with no means of communicating with their families, there's a need to facilitate their access to phones to contact their families and the embassies of their countries.

Water, Sanitation And Hygiene

There's a severe need for drinking water and 3,000 hygiene kits to cover the needs of the migrants at the border and at the shelters.

The shelters have WASH facilities but need rehabilitation which the national society will seek to cover through the support of different funding.

Health

The migrants stranded at the borders have been found to suffer different health issues including injuries, chronic illnesses, and first-degree sunburns. Many injuries have not been dealt with quickly due to the distance or the lack of knowledge of migrants of first aid, and there is a clear need for psychological support services, especially for women and children. The area at the border lacks basic health care services and the LRC seeks to fill the gap by organizing medical convoys, mobile clinics, first aid and psychological support teams.



Protection, Gender And Inclusion

The rescued migrants need to develop awareness on the challenges expected and the reporting mechanisms in place.

There's also a need to raise the awareness on human trafficking and protection of women and children due to the presence of many children and women and due to the nature of the situation in the shelter. There is an absence of protection services in the shelters and the national society seeks to fill this gap by raising the awareness of the target people and providing protection services to migrants in detention centers.

Any identified gaps/limitations in the assessment

Due to the extreme conditions at the borders and the lack of access to some areas, the information available is still limited, but the Libyan Red Crescent continues to collect information from the field and will provide updates in the coming reports on the development of the situation.

Operational Strategy

Overall objective of the operation

This DREF operation aims at providing immediate support to 3,000 migrants left at the Tunisian- Libyan borders in dire humanitarian conditions by providing them with health, shelter, basic needs, migration and protection essential services for four months

Operation strategy rationale

In order to achieve the objective of this operation and address the needs of the affected population, this operation is planned to provide:

- Health services including first aid, PSS services, basic health services through mobile clinics.
- WASH services including the distribution of hygiene kits to the affected people, cleaning kits in the shelter and hygiene promotion
- Shelter services by providing blankets for people in shelters
- Raising awareness on protection concerns
- RFL services including providing the migrants with calls to their families and embassies and emergency food parcels

Targeting Strategy

Who will be targeted through this operation?

The target group of this operation's activities are migrants who have been rescued at the Libyan-Tunisian borders.

Explain the selection criteria for the targeted population

The operation will target all the migrants rescued at the Tunisian-Libyan borders with an emphasis on:

- People with health conditions that need immediate action
- People with injuries who need first aid
- Unaccompanied women and children
- Elderly people and people with disabilities



Total Targeted Population

Women:	500	Rural %	Urban %
Girls (under 18):	300	%	%
Men:	2,000	People with disabilities (estimated %)	
Boys (under 18):	200	%	
Total targeted population:	3,000		

Risk and security considerations

Please indicate about potential operational risk for this operations and mitigation actions	
Risk	Mitigation action
Access to the affected population in the shelter	LRC will continue to coordinate the access with the authorities and they can implement the activities in the shelters



Planned Intervention

	Secretariat Services	Budget	CHF 12,588
		Targeted Persons	
Indicators		Target	
# of staff deployed			
Priority Actions:		• Provide logistics and transportation services • Deployment of finance in emergencies support	

	National Society Strengthening	Budget	CHF 24,687
		Targeted Persons	120
Indicators		Target	
# of volunteers provided with uniforms		120	
# of volunteers insured		120	
# of trainings conducted for volunteers		4	
# of lessons learned workshops conducted		1	
Priority Actions:		• Provide volunteers with uniforms for response and visibility. • Conduct trainings for volunteers on (First aid, WASH, PSS, RFL) • Insurance for 120 volunteers • lessons learned workshop	

	Shelter Housing And Settlements	Budget	CHF 15,975
		Targeted Persons	3000
Indicators		Target	
# of blankets distributed		3000	
Priority Actions:		• Provision of blankets (summer sheets) for people in the shelters	

	Health	Budget	CHF 120,345
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		Targeted Persons	3000
Indicators	Target		
# of first aid kits distributed	200		
# of psychological support sessions provided to affected people			
# of mobile clinics deployed	10		
# of body bags procured	200		
Priority Actions:	• Provision of First Aid Kits to the different volunteer teams at the borders • Provision of Psychological Support to the affected population • Deployment of 10 mobile clinics at the borders and at the shelter • Procurement of 200 body bags		

	Water, Sanitation And Hygiene	Budget	CHF 159,750
		Targeted Persons	3000
Indicators	Target		
# of hygiene kits distributed	3000		
# of individuals who benefitted from water distribution	3000		
# of cleaning kits distributed	600		
Priority Actions:	• provision of 3000 hygiene kits • Provision of drinkable water to the affected people • Cleaning materials for the shelters to conduct cleaning campaigns		

	Protection, Gender And Inclusion	Budget	CHF 1,065
		Targeted Persons	3000
Indicators	Target		
# of awareness raising materials printed and distributed			



# of child safeguarding analysis conducted	1
Priority Actions:	• Printing and dissemination of awareness raising materials. • Child Safeguarding analysis.

	Migration	Budget	CHF 21,833
		Targeted Persons	3000
Indicators		Target	
# of initiated and functional HSPs		1	
# of food parcels distributed		3000	
# of communications conducted between migrants and families and country embassies			
Priority Actions:		• Provide services through the Humanitarian Service points • Provide emergency food for the affected population • Provide RFL services including facilitation of communications between the migrants and their families and country embassies	

	Community Engagement And Accountability	Budget	CHF 1,065
		Targeted Persons	
Indicators		Target	
# of complaints and feedback assessments conducted		1	
Priority Actions:		• Provide information on the available services and the reporting and feedback mechanisms • Conduct assessments	

About Support Services

How many staff and volunteers will be involved in this operation. Briefly describe their role.

120 volunteers from LRCS will be involved in this operations supported by the staff in HQ.

If there is procurement, will it be done by National Society or IFRC?

The procurement will be carried out through the NS and IFRC Delegation with the support of the MENA RO.



How will this operation be monitored?

Through weekly reports that provide an update on activities and conditions every week.

In addition to monitoring the progress and quality of activities.

The IFRC delegation will have regular communication on the implementation, the IFRC MENA RO will support in developing M&E plan by the start of the operation.



Budget Overview



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Operating Budget

Planned Operations	320,033
Shelter and Basic Household Items	15,975
Livelihoods	0
Multi-purpose Cash	0
Health	120,345
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	159,750
Protection, Gender and Inclusion	1,065
Education	0
Migration	21,833
Risk Reduction, Climate Adaptation and Recovery	0
Community Engagement and Accountability	1,065
Environmental Sustainability	0
Enabling Approaches	37,275
Coordination and Partnerships	0
Secretariat Services	12,588
National Society Strengthening	24,687
TOTAL BUDGET	357,308

all amounts in Swiss Francs (CHF)





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