

# Joint Humanitarian Update

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**JAFFNA, KILINCHCHI, MULLAITIVU, MANNAR, VAVUNIYA, TRINCOMALEE and BATTICALOA DISTRICTS**  
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## IDP situation as reported this week by GAs

Displacement after April 2006

Location	Number of Families	Number of Individuals
Jaffna	21,526 displaced before Dec 2005 5,873 displaced after Jan 2006	73,361 displaced before Dec 2005 19,864 displaced after Jan 2006
Kilinochchi	-	-
Mullaitivu	-	-
Vavuniya	88,310	266,681
Mannar	30,40	9,103
Trincomalee	3,182	10,269
Batticaloa	1,749	6,599
Ampara	1,076	3,951

## JAFFNA DISTRICT

### Situation update

- The security situation remained calm across Jaffna District. The SLA continues to conduct cordon and search operations and random checks.
- Jaffna experiences unannounced power cuts during the day and regular power cuts in the evenings. Mobile telephone coverage remains unreliable. The daily curfew remains in place from 21:00 to 04:30 hrs.

### Displacement>Returns

- As of 31 May, 11,214 persons who fled the Vanni had arrived in Jaffna. Vanni IDPs are now accommodated in eleven IDP sites (Kopay Teachers' Training College, Old Court House Jaffna, Mirusuvil RCTMS Church, Kodikamam GTMS School, Kaithady Hindu Children Home, Kaithady University Hostel and Kaithady Palmyra Research Institute (sites A and B) Kodikamam Ramavil site, Chava Hindu Ladies College, and Nellyady Central College).
- As of 31 May, fifty-one IDPs have been released from Vanni IDP camps in Jaffna District. This includes elderly IDPs who were permitted to join relatives or state sponsored homes for the aged. In addition, 100 former combatants were transferred to the Tellipalai Rehabilitation Centre.
- In May, the Security Forces Commander, Jaffna announced that most I/NGOs had been granted access to IDP camps in the District. However, some I/NGOs have not yet received official notification in this regard and some agencies continue to report issues in accessing camps.

### Sector Developments/Gaps

#### Shelter

- The Kodikamam Ramavil (previously named "Kodikamam Forest") site A and B were completed with 551 emergency shelters. 2,435 IDPs previously accommodated at Chava Hindu College and Kodikamam Thirunavukarasu MV were moved to this site.
- The Shelter Coordination Cell agreed on a site plan for the second part of Kodikamam Ramavil site B&C where several agencies, including IOM, JASC, SEWALANKA, LEADS, and ZOA plan to construct around 600 emergency shelters. IOM has already completed 102 emergency shelters at the Kodikamam Ramavil site B&C. Other agencies will start construction after land leveling is completed. CARITAS agreed to build 4 pre schools, while FORUT and IOM agreed to construct 4 community kitchens at this site.
- World Vision provided roofing material and timber for 250 of the most vulnerable families affected by Cyclone Nisha in Chankanai, Kopay, Uduvil, Chavakachcheeri and Jaffna DS Divisions. In addition, CARITAS constructed 9 semi permanent shelters in Kopay DS division for families affected by cyclone Nisha, while another 4 semi permanent shelters were provided to long term IDPs who were displaced from the HSZ.

#### NFRI

- In Jaffna, ICRC completed the distribution of 3,863 parcels of relief items donated by the Indian Government to IDPs displaced from the Vanni. The parcels included basic food commodities (rice, dhal, sugar, and tea), hygiene kits, individual kitchen utilities and sets of clothes.
- FORUT distributed additional common kitchen utilities to Kodikamam Ramavil site A&B, Kaithady PRI Site A, Kaithady University Hostel and Kaithady Hindu Children's home.
- CARITAS distributed clothes to 393 IDPs in Kodikamam Thirunavukarasu MV and 606 IDPs in Nellyadi Central College IDP camps.

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## Food

- WFP provided 83MT of mixed food commodities to cover the food needs of IDPs during the first two weeks of June. CARITAS continues to provide complementary food (fish, vegetables and spices) items to all IDP sites on a daily basis while Sewalanka provides meat on two Sundays per month.
- IOM, ZOA Refugee Care and LEADS completed three community kitchens at the Kodikamam Ramavil Site A&B. Community cooking has commenced at this site.
- On 26 and 29 May, shipments of WFP food supplies arrived in Jaffna. The shipments included 1,000 MT of rice and 1,000 MT of wheat flour and 100 MT Corn Soya Blend.
- FORUT completed a preschool feeding programme on 31 May. Around 18,000 preschool children from 710 preschools in Jaffna benefited from this nutritional feeding programme.
- DRC distributed 5,056 complementary food packages to 851 beneficiaries of the Public Allowance for Monthly Assistance (PAMA) programme in Delft and Velanai DS division, each food package contained two weeks of food for one person and the distribution will cover the next two months.

## Nutrition

- The RDHS with support from UNICEF continues to provide ready to eat therapeutic food to all severely undernourished children under 5 years of age in IDP camps. Supplementary feeding with UNIMIX is provided for all children who are moderately undernourished.

## WASH

- ICRC constructed 60 emergency gender segregated toilets, four bathing spaces with necessary water storage tanks and water taps for drinking water in the "Kodikamam Ramavil" site. They also they have installed a tube well to provide water for bathing and washing
- UNICEF/Sewa Lanka constructed WASH facilities for Temporary Learning Spaces in Mirusuvil and Kaithady camps.
- IOM provided a 13,250 litre water browser and a 6,000 litres gully sucker to the Government Agent's (GA) office to support WASH activities in IDP camps. IOM will also cover operational (fuel, driver and helper) costs for two months with possible extension.
- UNICEF through Sewa Lanka & Euroville is providing gully sucking facilities to all IDP camps in Kaithady.
- As of 30 May, WASH Cluster members and ICRC have constructed emergency gender segregated toilets and bathing spaces in IDP sites in Jaffna. A total of 327 toilets were constructed (approximately 1 toilet for 33 IDPs).
- The National Water Supply & Drainage Board continues to provide drinking water for nine IDP sites. In Jaffna IDP camps, the average availability of drinking water per person per day is 8.5 litres.
- Danish Refugee Council distributed 921 hygiene kits to families accommodated at Chava Hindu Ladies College and Nellyyady Central College.

## Education

- The Kaithady Temporary Learning Space (TLS) was opened by the GA, and approximately 710 (358 female and 352 male) IDP children from Kaithady University Hostel, Kaithady Hindu Children Home, and Kaithady PRI site A&B attend this TLS facility. WFP provided 6.5 MT of mixed food commodities to the TLS in Mirusuvil and Kaithady as part of their School Feeding Programme (SFP). FORUT completed kitchen facilities at both TLS and CARITAS will provide vegetables to support the SFP.
- Director Zonal Education Thenmaradchchi started erecting a TLS with the support of UNICEF for school aged children at the Kodikamam Ramavil IDP site. WASH facilities and a kitchen to support the WFP School feeding programme, will also be provided by UNICEF. The TLS will have the capacity to educate 1,500 IDP children.
- Save the Children in Sri Lanka (SCiSL) provided pre school indoor play material and stationery to children at the Kodikamam Ramavil Site A&B. Pre school activities commenced for 120 children in this site. Six pre school teachers selected from the IDP community are conducting classes on rotation. SCiSL will cover the costs of these teachers.
- Catch up education programmes for G.C.E O/L students are being conducted by ZOA Refugee Care in Kodikamam TLS, with the support of the Department of Education. JSAC is conducting recreational activities. Catch up education in the Kopay Teachers Training College site is supported by UNICEF.
- As of 31 May 2,789 IDP children in grades 1-13 are in camps. 1,502 of them (55%) are attending schools or TLS facilities and 1,251 students are awaiting TLS facilities, which will be completed by the education cluster in coordination with the education department at Kodikamam Ramavil site.

## Health

- On 18 May, RDHS opened the renovated Postnatal Care Unit (PCU) in Varani to cater to displaced pregnant women who do not have relatives in Jaffna. The PCU was renovated with financial assistance from the International Medical Health Organization and was supported by UNFPA and the World Health Organization.
- IRD constructed a semi permanent ward at Chavakachcheeri base hospital at a cost of US \$ 27000 (SLR 3.1 million) funded by WHO for IDP patients.
- FORUT supported mobile clinics run by the RDHS with medication for IDP children under 5 years of age. Amoxycillin, Erythromycin, Cotrimaxazole, Paracetamol and piriton were provided to the RDHS.
- Medical Team International conducted a training programme on "Emergency Medical Care" for two batches of 75 nurses studying at Jaffna Nurses Training School. Another 209 health staff from Point Pedro, Jaffna, Kayts, and Kopay MOH offices were trained on Emergency Patient Management. In addition, MTI completed Community First Aid

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training for 142 teachers and students in Vadamarachchi Zonal Education Division. The training programmes were supported by WHO.

## Protection & child protection

- UNICEF together with the Department of Probation and childcare (DPCC) conducted a rapid assessment to identify vulnerable children in IDP camps. 297 children were identified and follow-up is done through the child welfare corners in each camp manned by DPCC staff.
- Guided group activities and recreational activities are underway in 6 camps through JSAC, SOND and SHANTIHAM. These organizations are supported by Save the Children and UNICEF.
- UNICEF distributed four recreational and education kits for 560 IDP children between the ages of 1-18 years at the Kodikamam Ramavil Site A&B.
- World Vision started the “Well being of Children” Programme to enhance the rights of children in the rural areas of Chankanai, Uduvil, Chava, Kopay, and Velanai DS division. This programme focuses on protection by strengthening communities and social systems, addressing basic and critical needs of the most vulnerable children and their families and advocating for child rights.
- UNHCR protection staff continue to undertake regular monitoring visits to new IDP sites, to identify vulnerable individuals for follow up and assistance.

## De-mining

- During the reporting period HALO Trust and DDG cleared total of 10,770m<sup>2</sup> and found 385 anti personal mines and 14 unexploded ordinances (UXO).

## Livelihood

- World Vision conducted training on goat rearing and issued 145 goats to 145 most vulnerable families at Chankanai, Uduvil, Kopay and Chavakachcheari and another 500 most vulnerable families from the same division received training on coconut cultivation. 4,950 coconut seedlings will be issued to these beneficiaries in July. The plants are being raised in collaboration with the Coconut Cultivation Board, Jaffna.
- World Vision issued 179 sets of fishing nets for fishermen who lost their fishing gears due to cyclone Nisha and floods in Chankanai and Chavakachcheari DS division.
- ZOA is upgrading a drainage channel in Vallai, Karaveddy DS division through a food for work programme and distributed food items for 211 man days to 43 beneficiaries.
- CARE international-Sri Lanka implemented a project called “Local Initiatives for Tomorrow – phase 2” (LIFT 2) funded by CIDA. The project duration is five years from May 2008. The project supports livelihood security, income generation activity, relationship building and small livelihood related infrastructure development of 700 poor and vulnerable households during the first cycle, through the formation of 23 Field Schools(CBOs) from small holder farmers, capture fishers and daily wage labours in Valikamam East, Valikamam West and Thenmaradchy divisions.
- CARITAS has commenced construction of 75 permanent houses for tsunami victims under the Tsunami Housing Project in Point Pedro DS division.

## MANNAR & VAVUNIYA DISTRICTS

### Situation update

- On 27 May government authorities started shifting IDPs currently accommodated in schools to Manik Farm zone 4, in order to de-congest school sites. IDPs in Tamil MV primary, Ponthoodam GTMS and Pampaimadu Hostel School were moved to Manik Farm.
- Access restrictions on humanitarian organizations were imposed on 16 May when the Competent Authority informed that vehicles would not be allowed into Manik Farm due to security and environment concerns. While access has improved during the last few weeks, discussions are ongoing with government authorities to define access procedures. Humanitarian organizations are in the process of submitting their applications to obtain “temporary passes” for their national staff to access IDPs sites in Vavuniya.
- On 21 May a joint needs assessment by the UN and NGOs was conducted in Saveriyarpuram, in Musali DS division of the Mannar district where people have been resettled recently.

### Sector Developments/Gaps

#### Shelter

- The Shelter Coordination Cell in Vavuniya has agreed that the maintenance of shelters will be done by each agency erecting shelters. UNOPS will conduct regular assessments of shelters (every 3 months) and report to these organizations. Similarly, UNICEF will conduct regular WASH assessments and inform organizations of any necessary maintenance.
- IOM distributed 131 tarpaulin sheets to Manik Farm zone 3 and 529 to zone 4 and erected 1,034 tents. In addition IOM also erected 157 tents provided by the Japanese Government in zone 4.
- In cooperation with IOM, CARE erected 388 tents in Manik Farm. In total CARE has built 674 shelters and erected 1,716 tents in Manik Farm.

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## NFRI

- Access limitations have caused delays in NFRI distribution in Manik Farm.
- The GA has advised NFRI actors not to include kerosene lamps in the kits because of difficulties related to kerosene distribution.
- ICRC has been distributing baby kits in all zones in Manik farm. They currently have 10,000 kits in stocks.
- NFRI sector has decided that if the size of a family is larger than five people, 2 hygiene packs will be distributed, below five members will receive one pack for 2 months period.
- IOM received NFRI donation from Japanese Government which will be distributed to patients in hospitals and at elderly homes.
- There are gaps for children's clothes and slippers; agencies agreed to go for a joint distribution by using the available stocks apart from the NFRI distribution in blocks where it's identified as an urgent need.
- CARE distributed 716 hygiene packs in Manik Farm zone 4 block C3. In cooperation with UNHCR, CARE distributed 986 UNHCR standard NFRI packs in Manik Farm zone 4 block C3.

## Food

- WFP transported 363.8 MT Wheat Flour, 614.45 Rice, 103.65 Dhal, 55.968 Sugar, 53.63 Oil, 8.77 CSB to Vavuniya during the reporting period.
- There is no mechanism for firewood distribution therefore Food Cluster requests assistance from local authorities to resolve this issue. Organizations are ready to implement individual cooking in the IDP camps as soon as minimum conditions are met.
- Proper drainage systems have to be developed for all communal kitchens in Manik farm sites. Due to the lack of such facility, communal kitchens may become a health hazard;
- There are limitations to promote individual cooking in zone 2 related to fulfilling distribution of firewood, additional water and fresh food items on a regular basis.
- According to the NGO Consortium, FOSDOO, SEED, FIRM/FORUT, SLF, CTF, RDF, JRS agreed to extend their support on provision of cooked meals to the IDPs staying schools of Manic Farm School, Cheddikulam M.V, Nelukulam M.V, Gamini M.V, Kovilkulam Hindu College, Muslim M.V, Velikulam M.V and Periya Komarasankulam M.V. and FOSDOO agreed for Sooduvenhapulavu until 3rd of June 2009.
- CARE together with SLF has been providing daily breakfast for 1,500 IDPs in Manik Farm zone 2 and Poonthoddam GTMS.
- From 15-25 May 2009, FOSDOO/ Lutheran World Relief provided 13,000 parcels of cooked meals Soduvenhapulavu School IDP site and on 16 May, provided 1,200 parcels to Nellukkulam Technical college.
- CORAID/ SEED continue supplying complementary food items to 8,000 people in Manik Farm zone 2 and Cheddikulam MV in the last three weeks of May.
- DRC/ FOSDOO provided 11,000 food parcels to Komarasankulam M.V. and 12,600 parcels to Soduvenhapulavu School.

## Nutrition

- The construction of a UNICEF funded Therapeutic Feeding Centre (TFC) and extension of ward 6 was completed. The ward has a capacity of 20 beds. It was officially opened on 26 May. The pediatric ward was also extended and now has 30 additional beds. The average number of patients in the TFC is between 15 and 20. Number of admissions of malnourished children to date is 97
- 41 Sarvodaya volunteers working for the UNICEF funded Nutrition Rehabilitation Programme visited Manik Farm zone 2 to identify children with moderate and severe acute malnourishment.
- 307 master bags of UNIMIX, 112 tarpaulin sheets, 14 cartons of plummy nuts and 5 megaphones were provided to Sarvodaya to start UNIMIX wet feeding for moderately malnourished children in Manik Farm zones 2, 3 and 4.
- Under the supplementary feeding program supported by SCiSL, FOSDOO is conducting a supplementary feeding programme at Puthukulam and Periyakomarasankulam MV and with Oxfam's assistance, is providing 200ml milk per person for 580 individuals at Puthukulam MV.

## WASH

- The ACLG (Assistant Commissioner Local Government) with the support of UNICEF conducted a garbage collection and gully sucking gap analysis which allowed agencies to identify where and how they can provide assistance.
- WASH organizations are engaged in locating new water resources for water trucking, as current water sources may dry up.
- The UNICEF funded 'Malvathu Oya' water supply project is operational and expected to supply 5000m<sup>2</sup> water per day to Manik Farm zones 1,2 and 3.
- Oxfam will provide 300 emergency latrines to Manik Farm zone 4 while UNOPS and IOM completed 34 emergency latrines last week.
- UNICEF together with ISB undertook a detailed assessment of water needs at Vavuniya General Hospital and Cheddikulam Base Hospital. As a result of this assessment 2 water treatment units will be installed to provide clean water to specialist surgical and pediatric wards.
- CEGB - completed a total of 160 latrines out of 270 in Manik Farm zone 4.
- Sewalanka installed 36 latrines and Oxfam installed 50 latrines while in zone 4 Oxfam installed 40 latrines.

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- Sewalanka installed 36 latrines and Oxfam installed 50 latrines while in zone 4 Oxfam installed 40 latrines in Manik Farm zone 2. All were Funded by UNICEF
- UNICEF distributed a total of 8,668 hygiene kits in zones 2 and 4 through NRC, Oxfam and UNHCR; 412 toilet cleaning kits were distributed through ACLG; and 55 tanks (1,000 liters) were distributed in zones 2,3 and 4 through CARE.
- Hygiene promotion training continued according to the plan despite limited access. A hygiene promoter tool kit has been established jointly by UNICEF, Solidar and Oxfam.
- IOM placed forty three 1000l water tanks for drinking and bathing and completed 136 emergency latrines and distributed 142 garbage bins in zone 4.
- CARE built 36 emergency latrines in zone 4 during the reporting period. In total CARE constructed 424 emergency latrines in Manik Farm. CARE is also building a total of 16 bathing facilities in four blocks of zone 4 of Manik Farm.
- In cooperation with UNICEF, CARE has set up a total of 29 water tanks during the reporting period, which brings the total to 282 set up by CARE in Manik Farm.
- CARE is currently bowsering 108,000 liters of drinking water per day to Manik Farm.
- The National Water supply and Drainage Board is working to improve water quality through water treatment in Manik Farm.

## Education

- UNICEF has completed the construction of 5 out of the planned 15 TLS in zone 2. 10 more are under construction. 2 TLS for Puthukulam host displaced school were completed and 2 TLS for the College of Education are expected to be completed in a week
- UNICEF distributed 250 lower primary kits, 300 upper primary kits, 52 secondary kits, 61 teachers kits, 10 blackboards, 10 UNICEF bags and 18 hygiene kits to Saivapragasa School and 1,180 lower primary kits, 1,230 secondary kits, 115 teachers kits and 60 blackboards to zone 3.

## Health

- The three communicable disease outbreaks reported among IDPs are chicken pox, hepatitis A and watery diarrhoea. Poovarasakulam Divisional Hospital is used as an isolation site for chickenpox and hepatitis A patients.
- The Ayurvedic hospital which was converted as a Post Natal Care Unit needs 300 additional beds in order to accommodate increasing numbers of patients.
- In order to avoid unnecessary deaths and health related hazards, the Health Cluster urges keeping two ambulances parked overnight in each of the zones.
- A French medical organization named 'Chaine de l'espoir' arrived in Vavuniya on 19 May with two surgeons who are currently deployed and supporting the medical team of the French government hospital in Cheddikulam. They are in the process of assessing other medical needs for longer term interventions. They also have the capacity for hospital management, surgery and specialized medicine (including reproductive health).
- On 20 May, MSF France opened a 100 bed field hospital opposite Manik Farm zone 2. Three surgeons and four anaesthetists have been assigned to the new hospital.

## Protection

- Limitations in access to camps in Vavuniya has delayed child protection monitoring and case identification by UNICEF staff as well as delays in implementing recreational activities by partner NGOs.
- UNICEF distributed 4,000 sets of children's clothes to the children in Manik Farm zone 4.
- UNICEF completed the assessment of voluntary homes for accommodation of children seeking interim care in Vavuniya. 125 additional beds were identified for boys and 120 for girls.
- UNICEF supported the Magistrate to identify premises for the progressive transfer of all child surrendees among IDPs. Children currently accommodated in adults' detention centres in contravention of the emergency regulations, as well as children identified as unaccompanied will be granted priority when moving to this new site (Poonthoddam).
- Protection working group members are working to establish a system for identification, tracing and reunification of unaccompanied minors among IDPs. A system of inter-camp and intra-camp matching was put in place at Manik Farm through the newly appointed zonal managers (DS offices) and the police, which allowed a number of children to locate (and in certain cases be reunified with) their parents, relatives or next of kin. This system is yet to be put in place in Manik Farm zone 4, as construction work still ongoing.
- A total of 217 child surrendees have been identified and registered in IDP camps in Vavuniya. 58 of them were transferred to Ambepussa rehabilitation centre. 69 of them (male) are currently accommodated at Nellukulam Technical College, together with over 1,721 male adults. UNICEF is advocating for the transfer of these children to a more suitable location. The balance number of children is still in the camps, waiting for the identification of a new rehabilitation centre and the completion of the screening process.
- 15 separated children have been released and reunified with their relatives outside IDP camps based on a social investigation conducted by Vavuniya probation office and a court order, with technical support from UNICEF.
- More than 100 children who came from different children's homes in Vanni have been accommodated in Manik Farm zone 4.

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## Psychosocial

- The Vavuniya North Psychosocial Team provided training on psychosocial issues to 25 teachers of Puthukulam transit site.
- 35 Child Friendly Spaces (CFS) were constructed in Vavuniya IDP sites by different agencies. In Manik Farm zone 3, 15 CFS (FORUT – 6, RI – 3, SHADE – 3 and WV – 3) were constructed.

## TRINCOMALEE DISTRICT

### Situation update

- The security situation in the District remains in stable. Cordon and search operations and security checks at checkpoints continue.
- An Early Recovery Consultant of the Resident Coordinators Office is working in Trincomalee and Batticaloa on an Early Recovery Plan, in close collaboration with the UN District and Inter-Agency Teams and in consultation with the local authorities. The plan targets the needs of vulnerable populations that returned in 2007/2008. The plan will include project proposals from UN Agencies and I/NGOs and will be presented by the UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator to Donors.

### Displacement/ Returns

- During the reporting period 56 IDP families/161 individuals spontaneously arrived from Mullaitivu in Pulmoddai by boat. The IDPs are now residing at Pulmoddai Sinhala School.
- During the reporting period 140 IDP families/424 Individuals were transferred from Sampathnuwara (Welioya GN Divisions, Anuradhapura District) to Sahanagama IDP site in Pulmoddai.
- On 14 May, 51 families/184 individuals moved from Batticaloa IDP sites to Trincomalee (41 families/154 individuals went to Kiliveddy IDP site, 3 families/12 individuals returned to Muttur and 7 families/18 individuals return to Seruvila).
- On 26 May, 17 families/68 individuals moved from Kiliveddy IDP transit site to return areas in Muttur East. Out of the 17 families, 7 families/19 individuals originally from Kadarkaraichenai went to Chenaiyoor to stay with friends and relatives, 9 families/43 individuals returned to Santhosapuram village in Kadarkaraichenai and one family/6 individuals returned to Kaddaiparichchan North GN division.
- The government is planning to move all IDPs originally from Trincomalee and currently residing in IDP camps and with relatives in Batticaloa, back to Trincomalee. On 21 May the Batticaloa GA met with IDPs to convey this message. If the IDPs decide to stay in Batticaloa, they can remain with host families but they will no longer be able to stay in camps. The camps will be gradually decommissioned.

### Sector Developments/Gaps

#### Shelter

- IOM completed 136 emergency shelters in the Pulmoddai IDP Site (Plot 2). Another 90 shelters are under construction while an additional 274 shelters will be constructed shortly. In addition to this, ZOA completed 222 emergency shelters in the Pulmoddai IDP site (Plot 2).

#### NFRIs

- UNHCR distributed 1,368 NFRI kits at the Sahanagama site. 1,253 families received slippers (provided by Malteser International).
- SCiSL has distributed the following at the Sinhala MV:450 child kits (clothes + hygiene items), 45 infant kits, 747 pairs of slippers. At Sahanagama IDP site SCiSL distributed: 940 children's clothes, 5,000 packs of Samaposha, 27 teacher's clothes (female), 16 teacher's clothes (male).

#### Nutrition

- SCiSL supported Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) Centres in 16 villages with nutritional feeding for an average of 500 children.
- UNICEF through the RDHS completed the construction of a Nutrition Center at the Shahanagama IDP site. The center will be used for the Nutrition Rehabilitation Programme and other health related activities.

#### WASH

- A joint emergency meeting on Health & Nutrition and WASH for IDPs in Pulmoddai was held on 26 May at Pulmoddai Hospital. Government representatives, UN agencies, health I/NGOs and WASH partners participated. It was agreed that the Department of Health through MOH will take the overall responsibility for cleaning the toilets and garbage collection with support of the Pradeshiya Saba, Kuchchaveli. 6 sanitary labourers were recruited by ACLG/ Pradeshiya Saba for Shahanagama IDP site.
- IOM will construct 4 dug wells and 4 sets (2 each) of bathing spaces and provide 20 water tanks with stands.
- 180 toilets are completed at Plot 1 in the Sahanagama IDPs site. 99 are funded by UNICEF, 54 by Oxfam, 19 by PIN and 8 by OfERR. Construction of an additional 6 toilets is ongoing.

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- Malteser is conducting hygiene promotion in coordination with the MOH. 36 hygiene volunteers have been trained at Sahanagama IDP site and Sinhala School. UNICEF provided hygiene promotion posters and 150 toilet cleaning kits to MoH. Malteser distributed 140 garbage bins.
- NWSDB, ACLG/ Pradeshiya Saba, UNICEF, IOM, World Vision, PIN and Muslim Aid are providing water bowsering to IDP sites in Pulmoddai. A combined total of 100,000 liters of water per day is provided.
- UNICEF through Pradeshiya Saba Kuchchaveli completed construction of 3 dug wells at Sahanagama IDPs site, in Pulmoddai. In total 6 out of 7 are completed.
- UNICEF through the Mercy Foundation completed 1 bathing space. In total 7 bathing spaces are completed (4 for women and 3 for men).
- UNICEF through the NGO 3CD completed 2 temporary toilets for IDPs at Pulmoddai Hospital, as requested by the RDHS.

## Education

- UNICEF supported the restarting of learning activities for IDP children at Pulmoddai IDP sites by providing 59 tarpaulins for construction of Temporary Learning Spaces (TLS). UNICEF also distributed 283 lower, upper and secondary learning kits, 4 teacher kits and 2 black boards.
- UNICEF, ZOA and SCiSL completed the construction of 5 TLS at Shahanagama IDP site, Plot 1. UNICEF and ZOA constructed 2 each and SCiSL 1.
- SCiSL supported the Provincial Director of Education of the Eastern Province by providing a truck to transport relief items collected by school children, to the IDP sites in Pulmoddai.

## Health

- IOM provides one ambulance to the Health Department for emergency services that are currently carried out at Sahanagama IDP site – Pulmoddai.

## Protection & Child Protection

- UNICEF, through the NGO Social Development Foundation, constructed 1 Child Friendly Space at Shahanagama IDP site in Pulmoddai. SCiSL also constructed one Child Friendly Space. 6 community based child facilitators have been identified and trained to implement Child Friendly Space activities. 10 trained teachers from the Provincial Department of Education continued to conduct psychosocial activities for children with the support of UNICEF. Over 1,500 children participated in recreational and psychosocial activities.
- UNICEF in collaboration with SCiSL supported the Department of Probation and Child Care Services in the identification and registration of separated and unaccompanied children. 75 separated children and 2 unaccompanied children have been identified at the Sinhala School and Sahanagama IDP sites. UNICEF is providing technical support to the Probation Office to identify and reintegrate children in communities as an option for interim care, while family tracing is ongoing. UNICEF is advocating for the quick release of children to their families and relatives.
- UNICEF through its Mine Risk Education (MRE) implementing partners, the Kachcheri Unit and Community Trust Fund (CTF), conducted MRE activities at 3 IDP sites and 19 resettled locations in Muttur, Thoppur and Seruvila DS divisions. 989 adults and 1,012 children participated.

## Early Recovery & Livelihood

- FAO plans to assist 1,040 beneficiaries of diverse multi ethnic background, to cultivate different field crops in the Yala season for 11 Agricultural Instructural (AI) ranges in Trincomalee District (Nilaveli, Thoppur, Muttur, Eachchilampattai, Gomarankadawala, Galmetiyawa, Mullipothana, Somapura, Kantalai, Vanela, and Sampoor), through the Department of Agriculture. Beneficiary selection is ongoing and seeds were delivered to respective AI ranges. Distribution of inputs to the beneficiaries is expected to start on 01 June. In addition, FAO plans to issue barbed wire for fencing for cultivation land to the selected farmers. During project implementation period, training on agronomical practices on OFC will be also provided in 3 phases (pre, mid-term and post).
- On 27 May IOM provided livelihood items to 135 returnees from India. IOM supported the “Other Field Crops” Programme of the Department of Agriculture by providing 21 water pumps & 224 rolls of barbed wires.

## Logistics

- IOM provided UNHCR with free transportation of NFRI Items and the DS with free transportation of food items to Pulmoddai.

## BATTICALOA & AMPARA DISTRICTS

### Situation update

- The security situation in the district remains unchanged. Security forces continue cordon and search operations throughout the district with the aim of keeping the situation under control.

### Displacement/Returns

- According to Government statistics of 19 May, 6,599 IDPs (1,749 families) are in the District.
- UNICEF reports that, the threat posed by wild elephants to schools in remote resettled areas of Kalkudha and Paddiruppu Zones has increased, especially due to the current dry season.

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## Sector Development/Gaps

### Shelter

- UNHCR completed repairs of 10 houses in Paruthichenai and 3 houses in Kothiyapulai in Vavunatheevu DS division. Repairs of 7 houses in Mankikaddu and 4 houses in Ilupadichenai in the same DS division are in progress.
- 56 solar lamps were installed by UNHCR in resettled GN divisions in Kiran DS division.

### Food

- 23.895MT of CSB were provided by WFP to MOHs of Batticaloa, Kaluwanchikudy, Kattankudy and Valaichenai for distribution among 11,274 beneficiaries including pregnant/ lactating mothers and children below 5 yrs under the 'Mother and Child Nutrition' programme.
- 2,916 IDPs residing in camps received 20.34MT of food commodities from WFP as their 2 week ration. 103 resettled persons obtained 2.16MT of food rations for 6 weeks.
- 28,764 students and 378 cooks from 9 DS divisions received food commodities of 117.276MT from WFP for a 25 day period in May - June.

### WASH

- A daily amount of 12,000 liters of drinking water is bowsered to the Kudumpimalai resettled GN division in Kiran DS division, where 300 families (1,200 individuals) are resettled. In the last 2 weeks, 180,000 liters of drinking water was distributed by the Predhesa Saba Valaichenai with UNICEF support.
- Shramadana activities to clean toilets and camp environments by IDPs have been organized at Kirimutti IDPs site on 16 May. 5 mammoties, 3 rakes, 8 toilet brushes, 20 harpic bottles and 20 phynol bottles were distributed by UNICEF through VOVCOD. On the same day, Shramadana activities were conducted at Kokkuvil and Kovilkulam IDPs sites by VOVCOD.

### Education

- UNICEF has been working with the ZDE of Batticaloa, Batticaloa Central, Kalkudah and Paddiruppu educational zones to support schools in resettled areas and schools attended by displaced children under the 'Child Friendly School Framework'; two meetings to design strategies were organized by UNICEF with the ZDEE and his team.
- UNICEF has been supporting the 6 ZDEEs of Ampara and Batticaloa districts with 51 project activities to improve access & quality of education including in resettled areas. Kalkudah ZEO has been conducting interviews for the selection of teachers for 100 'out of school children' through 'catch up education'.

### Health

- TDH conducted a "health & hygiene focus group discussion" with 20 community members in Koduwamadu in Chenkalady DS division. TDH also conducted health promotion activities for communities in Siththandy and Palacholai in Chenkalady DS division on health, family planning, & nutrition through 'Mothers Meetings'. 120 mothers participated. Similar activities were conducted in Iyenkerny and Siththandy in Chenkalady DS division through 'Fathers meetings' where 50 fathers participated.
- TDH nurses & health trainers supported MOH on 8 ANC clinics and 1 WBC clinic and conducted a support training programme for 34 TDH community health volunteers in Chenkalady DS division.
- The UNICEF supported 'Nutrition Rehabilitation Programme' (NRP) is in progress in 4 MOHs areas. Compared to the previous prevalence of malnutrition among children under 5 years, severe acute malnutrition has reduced to less than 2% in all MOH areas in the district.
- The UNICEF supported "Parents Groups" are actively working in resettled villages. During the last week, they supported WFP in their food demonstration sessions in Chenkalady and Paddipalai DS divisions.

### Protection and Child Protection

- With the support of UNICEF, Sarvodayam organized 'Mine Risk Awareness' and children's club activities (playing, evening classes and reading) in 19 villages in Chenkalady, Vellavelly, Vaharai, Kiran, Paddipalai and Vavunatheevu DS divisions. In total 584 children (254 boys and 330 girls) and 15 youths (8 males and 7 females) participated in these activities.
- Sarvodayam conducted meetings and discussions with 321 adults (133 females and 188 males) on mine risk awareness and conducted home visits. On 25 May, Sarvodayam staff had a discussion with support workers in Ranamadu village in Vellavelly DS division.
- The UNHCR Protection Team carried out field visits to resettlement villages in Vavunatheevu and Paddipalai DS divisions.

### Psychosocial

- TDH conducted "movement games and sports" coaching sessions for children and their parents in Thiruchenthoor, Poonochimunai and Kaluwankerny; 32 children, 4 coaches and 25 parents participated.

### Early Recovery & Livelihood

- On 19 May, the DS Office of Manmunai South West (Paddipalai) presented the divisional livelihood recovery plan prepared with the support of JICA. On 25 May, UNDP organized the District Livelihood Recovery Coordination Forum. The forum was co-chaired by UNDP and the Director-Planning. Representatives from the Manmunai South West (Paddipalai) DS office presented their livelihood recovery plan. In the same forum, the Early Recovery Consultant

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presented the proposed Early Recovery plan for Batticaloa and Trincomalee districts and requested UN and INGOs to submit proposals. During the discussion, the Director-Planning also updated the forum of their finalized plan for year 2009 under the Government funded project.

- Model farm, micro finance, food processing, health awareness, peace programmes (heart to heart) and environmental programmes are conducted by Sarvodayam Women's Movement unit in Vattawan, Vavunatheevu and Kaluwanchikudy in the District.

Acronyms		
ACLG - Assistant Commissioner Local Government	ECHO - Humanitarian Aid Department	PS - Pradeshiya Saba
ADGM - age, gender and diversity mainstreaming	EHESP - Emergency House Hold Economic Security Program	QIP - Quick Impact Project
AP - Anti-Personnel	EHI - Essential Household Items	RDA - Road Development Authority
ASC - Area Security Coordinator	EOD - explosive ordnance disposal	RDHS - Regional Directorate of Health Services
AWF - Affected Women Forum	EVI - Extremely Vulnerable Individual	RDS - Rural Development Society
BAC - Battle Area Clearance	FDL - Forward Defence Line	REERDO - Rural Economic, Education, Research and Development Organization
CBDRM - Community Based Disaster Risk Management	FFE - Food for Education	RSG - Representative of the Secretary General
CBI - Classroom Based Intervention	FFW - Food for Work	RCTMS - Roman Catholic Tamil Mixed School
CBO - Community Based Organisations	FSA - Field Security Advisor	rwh - rain water harvesting
CBSM - Confidence Building and Stabilization Measures	FSD - Swiss Foundation for Mine Action	SAA - Small Arms Ammunition
CCHA - Consultative Committee on Humanitarian Assistance	GAA - German Agro Action	SAC - School Attendance Committee
CF - child friendly	GND - Grama Niladari Division	SBM - School Based Management
CFA - Cease Fire Agreement	GP - Guiding Principles	SCC - Shelter Coordination Cell
CFE - Child Friendly Environment	GRC - German Red Cross	SCiSL - Save the Children in Sri Lanka
CM - Camp Management	GS - Grama Sevaka	SDS - School Development Society
C&M - Care and Maintenance	GTMS - Government Tamil Mixed School	SFP - School Feeding Programme
COC - Chamber of Commerce	GVC - Gruppo Volontariato Civile	SLF - Sewa Lanka Foundation
CRADA - Centre for Rehabilitation of Alcoholics and Drug Addicts	HALO - Hazardous Area Life Support Organization	SLMM - Sri Lanka Monitoring Mission
CRC - Child Rights Convention	HRC - Human Rights Commission	SLRCS - Sri Lanka Red Cross Society
CRDO - Community Resource Development Organisation	HSZ - High Security Zone	SM - Social Mobilization
CSB - Corn Soya Blend	LEADS - Lanka Evangelical Alliance Development Service	STF - Special Task Force
CTF - Community Trust Fund	LOLDDL - Land O' Lakes Dairy Development Lanka	SOND - Social Organisation for Networking for Development
CWBC - Child Well-Being Committee	ICRC - International Committee of the Red Cross	SIYB - Start and Improve Your Business)
DAPH - Department of Animal Production and Health	MA - Mine Action	TCCS - Thrift and Credit Co-op Societies
DDG - Danish De-mining Group	MCN - Mother and Child Nutrition	TDDA - Trincomalee District Development Association
DMAO - District Mine Action Offices	MMIPE - Milinda Moragoda Institute For Peoples' Empowerment	TDH - Terre des hommes
DDMC - District Disaster Management Coordinator	MN - Manmunai North	TLS - Temporary Learning Space
DDMU - District Disaster Management Unit	ZEO - Zonal Education Office	ToT - Training of Trainers
DMU - Disaster Management Unit	MoD - Ministry of Defense	TS - Temporary Shelter
DoA - Department of Agriculture	MOH - Medical Officer of Health	TMVP - Tamil Makkal Viduthalai Pulikal
DPDHS- Deputy Provincial Director of Health Services	MRE - Mine Risk Education	TP - Transition Programme
DPU - Deep Penetration Unit	MSF - Doctors Without Borders	VEP - Village Emergency Preparedness
DRMU - Disaster Risk Management Unit	NECORD - North East Community Restoration Development	VGf - Vulnerable Group Feeding
DRR - Disaster Risk Reduction	NPA - Norwegian People Aid	VOSD - Voluntary Organization for Social Development
DSD - Divisional Secretariat Division	NRP - Nutrition Rehabilitation Programme	WC - Welfare Center
ECCDC - Early Childhood Care and Development Centers	NWS&DB - National Water Supply Drainage Board	WV - World Vision
ECE - Early Childhood Education	PPCC - Professional Psycho-social Counseling Centre	WWDF - Working Women Development Foundation
	PHM - Public Health Midwives	

## Abbreviations of places

<b>Jaffna (Jaf)</b>	Sirupp - Siruppiddy	Nana - Nanaddan	KP - Koralai Pattu (**Valachchenai)	Pala - Palameenmadu
Alank - Alankulai	Tell - Tellipalai	Umana - Umanakeri	EP - Eravur Pattu (**Chenk) DS	Kok - Kokkuvil
Chank - Chankanai	Then - Thenmaradchi	Rasool - Rasoolputhuveli	KPC - Koralai Pattu Central	Panich- Panichchankerny
Chava	Thiru - Thirunagar	<b>Trincomalee (Trinco)</b>	Kalu - Kaluwanchikudy	Mank - Mankerny
Chavakachcheri	Udu - Uduvil	Each - Eachchilampattai	Padd - Paddiruppu	Paddip - Paddipalai
Guru - Gurunagar	Uyara - Uyarapulam	Kuch - Kuchchaveli	Vavuna - Vavunatheevu	<b>Ampara (Amp)</b>
Kara - Karaveddy	Vada - Vadamaradchi	Kilive - Kiliveddy	Valach - Valachchenai	Akka - Akkaraipattu
Karai - Karainagar	Valik SW - Valikamam South	<b>Batticaloa (Batti)</b>	Kodu - Koduwamadu	Kal - Kalmunai
Karan - Karanavai	West	Thampa - Thampalakamam	Panku - Pankudaveli	Thiruk - Thirukkivil
Maddu - Madduvil	Vatha - Vatharavathai	Batti - Batticaloa	Mara - Marapalam	
Maru - Maruthapuram	<b>Kilinochchi (Kili), Mullaitivu (Mullai)</b>	Aray - Arayampathy	Ontha - Onthachimadam	
Navan - Navanthurai	<b>Vavuniya (Vavu), Mannar</b>	Chenk - Chenkalady	Kuru - Kurukkalmadam	
Sahaya	Thalv - Thalvupadu	KPN - Koralai Pattu North		
Sahayapuram	Achch - Achchankulam	(**Vaharai) DS		
Sandi - Sandilipay				

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