

SITUATION REPORT # 94

KILINOHCHI, MULLAITIVU, MANNAR, VAVUNIYA, TRINCOMALEE, BATTICALOA, AMPARA and JAFFNA DISTRICTS

27 September – 04 October 2007

KILINOHCHI & MULLAITIVU DISTRICTS

Situation update

- 01.Oct. a march organized by catholic priests, local humanitarian agencies and other religious institutions in Kilinochchi town to protest the killing of Rev. Fr. Packiaranjith the coordinator of Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) of Mannar.
- 01.Oct. artillery shells from Kilali areas of Jaffna hit areas around the Kunchuparanthan villages, 3,7 km away from the nearest UN compound in Kilinochchi town.
- Since 3 Sept. the Uyilankulam checkpoint in Mannar district continues to be closed.

Internally Displaced Persons

- 01.Oct. District Secretariat - Kilinochchi registered 522 new IDP families who fled from areas of Manthai West-Mannar district throughout the past month. In total 11,480 families (42,393 persons) are registered as IDPs in Kilinochchi district since August 2006.

Sector Response

Shelter

- 03.Oct. Danish Refugee Council (DRC) reported that 19 temporary shelters out of a total commitment of 100 shelters have been completed and were handed over to IDPs settled in Manthai East AGA division of Mullaitivu district. The remaining shelters are under construction.
- 04.Oct. upon request of Kilinochchi GA, Oxfam started re-thatching the roofs of 750 transitional shelters in the Chundikkulam village of Vadamarachchi East AGA division where IDPs, mostly fishermen have been accommodated since Aug 2006.
- FORUT completed the construction of and handed over 36 temporary shelters in Karachchi AGA division- Kilinochchi district and 31 temporary shelters in Thunukkai AGA division of Mullaitivu district under the relief programme funded by Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Norway.
- 03.Oct Solidar completed 30 temporary shelters out of a planned 100 shelters in Puthukkudiyiruppu area by its implementing partner Working Women Development Foundation (WWDF) while another implementing partner, the Nedunkerni Development Rehabilitation Organization (NEDRO) completed 40 temporary shelters in Paliaru in Manthai West division.
- Jointly AGA Poonakary & UNHCR are finalizing the planning phase of assisting 150 families with emergency shelter. Most of these families are recently displaced from the Manthai West areas.

Food

- 02.Oct Danish Refugee Council [DRC] distributed supplementary food packs to nine IDP families settled in the Konavil and Umaiypuram villages of Kilinochchi district.

Water and Sanitation

- 10 water tanks were distributed by OXFAM to areas in Manthai West and Mulankavil-Poonakary.
- The construction of three wells by OXFAM is ongoing at three IDP locations in Kilinochchi while five wells are been dug at five IDP villages in the same district.
- One well was constructed by OXFAM and one is under construction at two IDP locations in Mullaitivu district.
- OXFAM has completed the construction of four common latrines at the Selvanagar IDP village in Kilinochchi while 11 common latrines are under construction in three areas in Kilinochchi where more IDPs have been settled with host families.
- Solidar as implementing partner for UNICEF constructed three latrines in Puthukkudiyiruppu Central College in Mullaitivu and Sri Murukanantha School in Kilinochchi.
- UNICEF carried out a street drama on 'Awareness of Hygiene Promotion' in Vaddakkachchi School last week as part of their Children's day activities.

NFRI

- 02.Oct. the Danish Refugee Council (DRC) distributed NFRI and consumable kits to nine IDP families settled in the Umaiyaipuram and Konavil Villages of Kilinochchi district.
- 300 IDP families from Vadamarachchi east and 81 IDPs from Karachchi division were given NFRI and hygiene items by Save the Children in Sri Lanka (SCiSL).

Protection

- 01.Oct. FORUT celebrated International Children's Day at 19 project village pre-schools in Kilinochchi and Mullaitivu districts where nearly 800 children took part.
- 03.Oct. FORUT conducted an awareness program on 'Prevention from Alcohol and Drugs' for 1,000 students in 11 schools.
- The Joint Mine Risk Education team having members from Norwegian People Aid (NPA), White Pigeon and UNICEF visited several IDP camps in Kilinochchi district to create an awareness of mine threats.

Education

- 01.Oct. FORUT organized a general knowledge examination on alcohol and drugs related issues for 900 students of 11 schools in Kilinochchi and Mullaitivu districts. All winners of the examination were awarded prizes with certificates at a ceremony held on 03.Oct. in Kilinochchi.

Health

- UNICEF distributed High Energy Biscuits to 497 children, 121 lactating mothers and 78 pregnant mothers in the uncleared areas of Manthai West.
- Oxfam in cooperation with the Deputy Provincial Director for Health Services (DPDHS) conducted a two-day training on 'Public Health Promotion' for its partner organizations.

Livelihood

- 1-3 Oct. FORUT organized a three-day training on 'Start and Improve your Business' for 15 beneficiaries of three FORUT project villages in Kilinochchi. Further more a three month training course on 'Poultry Keeping' was financed by FORUT in Oddusuddan- Mullaitivu for 20 participants. FORUT also distributed small boats to 11 beneficiaries of Iranaimathanagar in Poonakary division.

MANNAR & VAVUNIYA DISTRICTS

Situation update

- The atmosphere in Mannar and Vavuniya district remains tense as shelling continues in part of the district.

Internally Displaced Persons

- As of 28.Sept. the GA office reported that there were 5,494 families (20,730 individuals) displaced in Mannar district and 3,071 families (10,302 persons) displaced in Vavuniya district.
- 26 & 27.Sept. IDPs from Mullikkulam previously accommodated at Murunkan MV school were relocated to Kalpitya in Puttalam (18 families) and to host families on Mannar Island (100 families) and Nanaddan (49 families). Three IDP sites remain at Murunkan church, Nanaddan Rice Mill and Nanaddan church.
- 9,000 persons (total IDPs in Manthai West -14,110) were recently displaced in Manthai West. Due to the closure of a checkpoint these areas are not accessible from Mannar and thus UN and INGOs operate from Kilinochchi. The UN and INGOs in Kilinochchi have also completed a joint assessment of the north-western areas of Manthai West where large groups of IDPs have recently arrived.
- Musali IDPs express desire to return home as soon as possible. Go-and-see visits to these villages are scheduled but have not yet taken place.
- IDPs who fled areas within Nanaddan are not able to register with the authorities as IDPs. UNHCR has raised the issue with relevant authorities.

Sector Response

Shelter

- ZOA completed the construction 100 temporary shelters in Manthai West.
- 03.Oct. ZOA completed the distribution of cadjan to 36 IDP families staying in Arthimodda and Koorai in Manthai West DS division in Mannar.

- 27 to 28.Sept and 1 to 2.Oct. the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) Camp Management Training team conducted two training workshops for 41 NGO and Government officers in Vavuniya on 27. The workshops covered various aspects of camp management, including roles and responsibilities, site selection, camp design and sphere standards, data collection, coordination, dissemination of information, community participation, distribution, guiding principles, care & maintenance and camp closure.

Water and Sanitation

- There is an urgent need for sanitation facilities as 90 per cent of the new IDPs from Musali reside with host families and at church grounds or multi-purpose community halls.
- 03.Oct. CARE International completed five toilets for vulnerable families in Annanagar DS division in Vavuniya.
- ZOA continue to supply drinking water to IDPs staying in Illupakadawai, Arthimoddai, Koorai, and Kalliyadi in Manthai West.

NFRI

- 1–2.Oct. Save the Children in Sri Lanka (SCiSL) distributed NFRI packages to 158 IDP families in Thekkawattai (96), Moonrumurippu (22) and Maharampaikulam/ Srinagar (40) and two sets of cloth material to 151 children in Thekkawattai in Vavuniya DS division.
- 03.Oct. SCiSL distributed NFRI packages to 63 Mullikkulam IDP families in Thalvupadhu, Mannar DS division.
- 27. Sept. UNHCR distributed light weight tents, GI buckets and Hurricane lamps to 36 IDP families who were shifted from Murunkan School to the homes of relatives.

Food

- WFP transported 12.25 MT of rice, 0.35 of dhal, 0.038 MT of sugar and 1.814 MT of vegetable oil to Mannar district and 14.247 MT of rice, 8.883 MT of wheat flour, 2.986 MT of dhal and 2.986 MT of sugar for IDP dry ration distributions.
- The distribution of dry food rations to new IDPs in the district is difficult. Authorities require new IDPs to show a proof of de-registration in places of origin in order to be registered in Vavuniya and to receive dry food rations. UNHCR and WFP are jointly discussing this issue with relevant authorities.
- 03.Oct. Sarvodaya and CARE distributed dry rations and supplementary foods to 70 Mullikkulam IDP families staying in Thalvupadhu.

Education

- 1-2.Oct. SCiSL distributed educational kits to 200 children living in Thekkawattai (157) and Moonrumurippu (33) in Vavuniya DS division.

Psycho-social

- 28. Sept. & 01.Oct. SCiSL and CARE distributed recreational kits to displaced children staying in Umanakiry and Kovankulam, Mottakaddai in Musali and Achankulam in Nanaddan DS division, Mannar. Each set comprised 01-Foot ball, 01-Net ball, 01-Batminton set, 05-Skipping Rope (pairs), 01-Chess board, 10-Soft toys, 05-Building block pack, 02-White paper ream, 02-Colour paper ream, 01-Gray marking cloth, 50-Oil pastel box, 04-Paint tin, 05-Paint brush, 05- Child safe glue, 06-String colored Yarn, 10-Sissors, 01-Carrom board and 01-Cricket set.
- 03.Oct. ZOA completed a children friendly common shelter space at the Nanattan Rice Mill IDP location, Murugan Don Bosco Center and Razool Puthuvely in Nanaddan DS division.

Protection

- 28.Sept. UNHCR's Age, Gender, Diversity and Mainstreaming (AGDM) exercises were completed in the IDP village of Sasthirikoolankulam in Vavuniya. 40 people from youth and children's groups participated. The main concerns raised were loss of livelihood opportunities, the need for vocational training for youth and the need for relocation.
- Security remains a concern at relocation sites and welfare centers in Vavuniya district as a number of security incidents were reported in these areas in the recent past. UNHCR has raised the issue with the government.

Food Security

- 03.Oct. ZOA completed the distribution of 500 potted home gardening bags to recent Musali IDPs staying with host families in Nanaddan DS division.
- 27. Sept. FAO in cooperation with the Department of Animal Production and Health via implementing partner FORUT distributed one-month old chicks (10 birds per family) to 50 relocated families in the Kandasamynagar Nagar and Thaddankulam villages in Chedikkulam DS division.

Livelihood

- 2.Oct. CARE in cooperation with the Department of Animal Production and Health conducted goat farming training for 27 persons from vulnerable families in Malayaparuththikkulam in Vavuniya DS division.
- 03.Oct. CARE provided Rupees 225,600 of micro finance to a savings and credit group in Annanagar and Vavuniya. The program has 24 beneficiaries.
- 03.Oct. OXFAM upon request of DS Mannar provided Rupees 2,000 to 68 Mullikkulam IDP families for a cash relief program.

Capacity building

- 02.Oct. CARE conducted social mobilization training for 57 members from community based organization in Nedunkulam in Vavuniya South DS division.

Psycho-social

- 26-27 Sept. ZOA and Familian conducted psycho-social programs involving games for 71 children in Katkatanthakulam (26) and Razool Puthuvely (35) in Mannar.
- 01. Oct. ZOA and Familian conducted 10 individual counseling sessions for 12 families in Thampanaikulam in Mannar district.

TRINCOMALEE DISTRICT

Internally Displaced Persons

- 10 families (28 IDPs) in the Konesapuri site expressed interest to go to the Kiliveddy Transit site. These IDPs are from Muttur East.

Sector Response

Food

- 17 MT of WFP food supplies were dispatched for distribution to 61 health volunteers as part of WFP Mother and Child Nutrition Program in Kantalai.
- 46 MT of WFP food supplies were dispatched to Muttur and Eachchilampattai meant to feed 3,285 registered IDPs/Returnees for one month.
- 36 MT of WFP high-nutrient Corn Soya Blended food was dispatched to four divisions within Trincomalee to support 11,850 pregnant or nursing mothers and children under five years of age, as part of WFP Mother and Child Nutrition Programme.
- 7 tons of commodities were sent to five schools in Trincomalee town where 973 student beneficiaries receive assistance through WFP School Feeding Programme.
- 3 tons of food was dispatched to Thampalakamam for distribution to 1,050 beneficiaries as part of two Food-For-Work projects.

Water and Sanitation

- 02.Oct UNICEF reported that the DS of Trincomalee Town and Gravets agreed to pay for the water connection to the Hindu Culture Hall. As part of the agreement UNICEF will provide an adequate water supply to the IDP site.

Health

- District health authorities reported a watery diarrhea spread in four locations in the Muttur town area. 163 cases were reported between 24 and 30 September and 95 % of them being adults. Since 30.Sept. the situation has been under control.

Education

- 02.Oct EHED Caritas held a celebration for 'International Children's Day'. The celebration included hundreds of children from Sinhala, Tamil and Muslim communities in Trincomalee district performing traditional songs, dances and plays. All the children are beneficiaries in EHED Caritas preschools or evening classes.
- 27.Sept. the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) held training for teachers in Eachchilampattai on issues such as school registration process and how to correctly fill in the forms in detail. The next step will be for teachers to submit forms to the

registrar's office in Trincomalee, where NRC will pay the stamp duty for 2,000 children. UNICEF monitors the process jointly with the Provincial Department of Education and the District Registrar's office.

- Save the Children in Sri Lanka (SCiSL) distributed 65 educational packs to Early Childhood Education children (it consists of educational and recreational items) at the Paddithidal transit centre on 03 October.

NFRI

- 28.Sept. SCiSL distributed frocks and hygiene packs to 280 women at the Paddithidal transit site.

Protection

- 25.Sept. SCiSL held a meeting with Child Protection Committees, school principals and teachers to solve child protection and drop out issues at the Paddithidal Transit Site. After this discussion several children identified as school dropouts and enrolled into the education system.

BATTICALOA DISTRICT

Internally Displaced Persons

- As of 02.Oct according to Government statistics, the total registered IDP population in the district were 10, 300 families (38,153 individuals).
- No dates have yet been announced for returns to Chenkalady and Kiran.
- Access to Batticaloa West resettlement areas has improved. 16 INGOs entered the divisions of Vellavelly, Paddipalai and Vavunathivu this week.

Sector Response

Shelter

- IOM repaired a total of 289 shelters at Panichchenkerny site in Vaharai division.
- IOM's 27 shelters at Panichchayadi Munmari GN division in Paddipalai DS division are under construction.
- At Mavady Munmari GN division in Paddipalai DS division, IOM completed the construction of two shelters this week.
- IOM repair work is ongoing at 22 shelters in Mankerny in Vaharai.
- IOM distributed shelter material for 68 shelters at Kathankudy Swamimalai in Paddipalai DS division; currently 15 shelters are under construction.
- UNHCR/UNOPS distributed 115 emergency shelter kits in Kothiyapola, Karaveddy and Illupadichchenai in Vavunathivu division.
- UNHCR/UNOPS distributed 13 emergency shelter kits in Munaikkadu North in Paddipalai division.
- The NRC Camp Management Training team conducted sectoral trainings for Palachchola III in Chenkalady division and Manpower IDP sites in Manmunai North (MN) division as a follow up of previous training at these sites; 50 beneficiaries participated in this training.

Food

- Sewalanka is assisting 412 IDP families (1,487 persons) in KPN DS (Vaharai) with basic/complimentary food baskets and IDP 195 families (756 persons) in MN DS (Batticaloa) Sathurukondan with basic/complimentary food baskets.
- ASB-Koinonia is assisting 40 IDP families (152 persons) in the KP DS (Valachchenai) Vinayahapuram welfare centre, 1182 IDP families (4,098 persons) in the MN DS (Batticaloa) Zahira, Kalliyankadu, Manpower, Palameenmadu I, Sinhala MV, St. Sebastian, Thiraimadu, Sinna Urani welfare centres and 180 IDP families (640 persons) in the KPS DS (Kiran) Kirimuddi Farm, Petrol Shed, Parangiyamadu welfare centres with basic/complimentary food baskets.
- NCM Lanka is assisting 65 IDP families (219 persons) in MS & EP (Kaluwanchikudy) Kurukkalmadam Playground with basic rations and Help from Germany is providing complimentary food baskets.
- Sarvodaya is assisting 114 IDP families (386 persons) in MP DS (Arayampathy) Arthiviravar welfare centre and 864 IDP families (3,048 persons) in the EP (Chenkalady) Savukkady I & II and Iyankerny welfare centres with complimentary foods baskets.
- Arche noVa is assisting 209 IDP families (715 persons) in the MN (Batticaloa) Kokkuvil III & Palameenmadu II welfare centres with complimentary foods baskets.
- GA/WFP is assisting 573 IDP families (1,962 persons) in the MN (Batticaloa) Palameenmadu I, Sathurukondan I & II, Kokkuvil III welfare centres, 1,080 IDP families (3,980 persons) in KP (Valachchenai), all 13 welfare centres and IDPs with host families (4,849 families/18,101 persons) in EP (Chenkalady), 169 families (565 persons) in both welfare centres and

with host families with basic food baskets. In MP (Arayampathy) and KPS (Kiran) GA/WFP is assisting 1,502 IDP families (6,173 persons) host families and 209 IDP families (697 persons) with host families at MS&EP DS (Kaluwanchikudy) with basic food baskets.

- Basic food ration assistance continues to all of the resettled persons in the three divisions in West Batticaloa (Vellavelly, Paddipalai and Vavunathivu) by GA/WFP, and the British Red Cross Society (BRCS) continues to provide all the resettled in Vaharai with a cash equivalent of food.
- ICRC commenced a 4 month complimentary food basket assistance programme for 4,000 families (13,500 persons) in the 3 resettled divisions of Batticaloa West.

Water and Sanitation

- OXFAM GB, Pradeshiya Saba, Arche noVa/ UNICEF and World Vision continues to distribute 868,500 liters of water per day at sites in Valachchenai, Chenkalady, Kiran, Manmunai West, Manmunai North, and Vaharai.
- 01.Oct UNICEF hosted a technical upgrades meeting attended by NGOs, and representatives from DPDHS and ACLG. Urgent action for essential upgrades were identified for toilets, drinking water sources, bathing spaces and drainage areas in the camps that will be occupied throughout the monsoon season.
- 22 new tube-wells with hand-pumps have been built by arche noVa in Manmunai North (MN) division.
- IOM completed the construction of ten toilets and work on 38 toilets is ongoing at Nochimunai in MN division.
- Oxfam GB conducted care and maintenance activities at IDP camps. In Arayampathy Kovilkulan 2 emergency pits were decommissioned and 1 unit of emergency latrine pit installed. In Maruthanagar Valachchenai division 1 bathing area screen and barrel well were decommissioned; in Savukkady Chenkalady division a water tank pipe fitting repaired; in Iyankerny Chenkalady division a water tank was removed.
- Oxfam GB cleared 7 school wells in Vavunathivu division.
- MERLIN distributed cleaning item (3 boxes of phenol, 20 plastic buckets and 20 toilet brushes) in Palameenmadu 1 & 2 camps in MN division.

NFRI

- UNHCR provided 222 plastic sheets to the Navatkerney and Kaluvankerny IDP camps for flooring and repair of roofs.

Protection

- UNICEF and Children's Christian Fund (CCF) facilitated a meeting in Paddipalai which was attended by DS, ADS, Department of Probation & Child Care Services, Child Rights Promotion Officer and ILO to raise and discuss concerns regarding education, including issues as high incidence of school dropouts for further follow up.
- 01. Oct. Save the Children in Sri Lanka (SCiSL) facilitated an appeal submitted by 10 children representing seven welfare centers on their needs to child focused agencies.
- SCiSL facilitated the formation of 30 children's clubs with 1,851 children in Vellavelly division with the assistance of partner organizations.
- 28 & 29.Sept. SCiSL facilitated a workshop on "Child led Disaster Risk Reduction & Emergency Preparedness Plan" at four selected schools in the Batticaloa educational zone for 30 teachers. This workshop was conducted by children who were trained on child led disaster preparedness.
- 29 & 30. Sept documentation and National Identity Card (NIC) clinics were held in Arayampathy and Kathankudy divisions plus 2,025 persons in Arayampathy and 2,089 persons in Kathankudy division were assisted at the mobile clinics.
- Sarvodaya conducted Mine Risk Education sessions in Vaharai and Vavunathivu divisions with the support of UNICEF.

Psycho-social

- 26-28 Sept. IOM organized a workshop for 274 persons in Kathiraveli and Paalchenai in Vaharai division on hygiene promotion and was facilitated by the St. John's Ambulance service.
- 27. Sept. IOM together with WUSC conducted a fire drill and personal safety training for 126 beneficiaries at Vaharai Maha Vidyalayam.
- 28. Sept. IOM organized a workshop in Kallady Velloor in MN division on "Training of Trainers" facilitated by WUSC for 49 persons. On the same day, a Gender Awareness Training at Thiraimadu- Dutchbar in MN division was organized for 61 beneficiaries; the training was facilitated by the KAVIA organization.
- 300 child representatives from six welfare centers in MN division, children clubs and Vaalvosai- hearing impaired children received help from SCiSL to participate in a sports event on 29.Sept. The event was facilitated by Bt/YMCA.
- 27.Sept & 1.Oct SCiSL supported a children's club gathering and children's day program for 100 children in Meeravodai in Valachchenai division with partner organizations.

- 01.Oct. children from children's clubs supported by UNICEF through ESCO commemorated the International Children's Day in Paddiyachenai, Kalkudah and on 3 October in Kandalady, Vaharai. The children took part in performances and created 'dream trees' and reflected on them.
- UNICEF facilitated training on 'Games and Theatre Activities while working with Children and Adolescents' for child protection field workers through the Centre for Performing Arts (CPA). The training encouraged field workers to actually engage in activities themselves according to the methodology adopted by resource persons. This workshop also provided insights to field staff on ways to include adolescents in programs, group theatre activities.

Education

- 28.Sept. & 3.Oct. SCiSL distributed 1,131 education kits comprising school bags, exercise books and stationeries to five schools and 592 educational kits to two schools respectively, in the Vellavelly division.
- 01 & 02 Oct. 91 bicycles were distributed by SCiSL to Anaikaddiyavelly GTMS, Vellavelly Kalaimagal Vid, Thirukkonnaraimunary GTMS, Kakkachchivaddai, Thumbankerny and Kalumunthanvely GTMS schools in the Vellavelly division.
- 03.Oct. SCiSL distributed 117 water filters to 26 schools in the Vellavelly division.
- At 8 schools hosting displaced children, UNICEF started a survey on essential school materials. The survey is being carried out through the child participation methodology.

Health

- 02.Oct. IOM organized street dramas on Hygiene Promotion in Nochchimunai, Thiraimadu and Kallady- Velloor in MN division and was conducted by the Centre for Performing Arts (CPA) for 800 persons.
- Oxfam GB's camp based regular hygiene promotion activities are carried out by the volunteers' with the support of the partner agencies (ESCO and Sarvodaya). During the week, volunteers were able to do household visits, group discussions, and community meetings on educating the community on food hygiene, hand washing practices in key times, latrine use and handling of safe drinking water. Oxfam also organized five camp-cleaning events to maintain a clean camp environment.
- 28.Sept. Oxfam GB handed over 78 household latrines and latrine kits to beneficiaries in Thethativu in Kaluwanchikudy division.
- Thethativu Maha Vidyalayam School received constructed compost pits and filters by Oxfam for the classrooms. Oxfam's solid waste management program donated compost bins to 48 selected beneficiaries in Thethativu as part of the school's hygiene program. School public health activity groups were formed and trained in basic hygiene and personal hygiene activities to maintain proper hygiene levels at the school.
- Oxfam as part of its capacity building program for government institutions donated a computer and accessories and a photocopier machine to the Health department (MOH) of Kaluwanchikudy.
- MERLIN continues health and hygiene activities at eight IDPs camps in the district by covering 1,404 families (5,516 individuals).
- 32 students from nine schools in Vaharai division were trained by MERLIN on health and hygiene practices.
- MERLIN as part of its Infection Control Program, donated coats, waste management material (polythene bags in different sizes) and poplin cloth for baby wrapping to Valachchenai Base Hospital and Batticaloa Teaching Hospital.
- MERLIN continues to operate medical mobile clinics in resettled communities. From 24-28 September and 1-3 October 2007 815 cases were attended to from communities in Vaharai and West of Batticaloa.
- 02. Oct. UNICEF officially handed over 11 photocopy/fax machines and 11 USB (pen) drives to MOHs in MN, Vaharai, Valachchenai, Oddamadady, Chenkalady, Eravur, Kathankudy, Kaluwanchikudy, Vellavelly, Paddipalai and Vavunathivu divisions.
- UNICEF supported screening of children younger than 5 years as part of the Nutrition Rehabilitation Program. 1,870 children at Paddipalai, 1,500 children at Vellavelly and 1,675 children at Vavunathivu have been screened. The screening process continues.

Livelihood

- 28.Sept Oxfam GB handed over the newly constructed and reconstructed seven internal roads (total length is 2.8km) in Shanthipuram village in Kaluwanchikudy division.
- 28. Sept. a woman managed cement yard was handed over to the people in Shanthipuram village. Women here are involved in cement block making, concrete post making, flower pot making, etc.
- SCiSL completed the targeting/selection of beneficiaries in the Vellavelly division where 1480 beneficiaries from 12 GN divisions were selected for emergency livelihood assistance.

AMPARA DISTRICT

Internally Displaced Persons

- As of 04.Oct. according to UNHCR, IDP figures remain the same at 1,566 families (5,775 individuals).

Sector Response

Shelter

- IOM completed the construction of 11 UNHCR shelter verandas with cement rendering at Akkaraipattu DS Division during reporting period.

Food

- The distribution of the GA/WFP dry rations continued to 5,677 IDPs in 10 divisions of Ampara district.
- WFP School feeding program provided 19,000 children of 83 schools daily feedings.
- 121 clinics through WFP/government assistance distributed Corn Soya Blended food to 34,000 pregnant and lactating mothers and children under five years. Food-for-Work and Food-for-Training activities involving 14,000 participants in 18 divisions of the district continue.

Water and Sanitation

- CARE completed eight toilets out of a committed 88 toilets and 19 wells out of a committed 237 wells in Thirukkivil DS division. The construction of 119 toilets and 131 wells is in progress in Thambattai-1 and 2 GN divisions. In Navithanveli DS division the construction of 233 toilets are in progress.
- Save the Children in Sri Lanka (SCiSL) distributed 18 water filters amongst pre-school and schools selected in Attapallam-Nintavur, Thuravanthiyamadu and Sorikalmunai -Kalmunai Tamil, Central camp –Navithanveli and - Children Ward in Kalmunai Hospital also received one water filter.
- UNICEF constructs a water supply scheme at Thirukkivil to benefit approx. 31,000 beneficiaries, 10% of the construction activities are complete.
- UNICEF installed seven deep tube wells in Namal Oya, in Ampara Division.
- UNICEF supported pipe laying for water facilities for the tsunami resettlement schemes at Maruthamuani, Periyaneelavanai-Kalmunai Muslim and Tamil and Islamabad-Kalmunai Muslim is in progress and expected to be complete by end of October.
- UNICEF completed around 85% of the pipe network of the Sennel Gramam –Sammanthurai water supply scheme.
- The construction of Watsan facilities at 15 child friendly spaces in Mahaoya, Ampara and Dehiyatankandiya education Zones by UNICEF is in progress to benefit 5000 students.
- IOM completed the construction of five new toilets for relocation shelter beneficiaries in the Kudinilam camp in Thirukkivil.

NFRI

- SCiSL distributed hygiene kits to 152 women and 139 educational kits among IDPs in Thirukkivil and Kalmunai.

Protection

- 01.Oct. UNICEF, Oxfam GB, CCF, Handicap International, the Women & Children Desk, and Zonal Education Office organized a joint Children's Day 01 October for 1,500 students.
- SCiSL conducted a workshop on the Child Rights Convention for 35 children of the Children Club Central Camp in Navithanveli.
- SCiSL is providing swimming and life saving training to 60 students selected from 12 schools in Ampara as part of an emergency preparedness component for schools.
- SCiSL distributed emergency equipment to fishermen in Kalmunai Muslim, Sainthamaruthu and Addelaichenai DS divisions.
- 27 & 29. Sept. IOM organized a capacity building training for local authority personal and IOM care and maintenance community leaders and a community site monitor in Akkaraipattu and Pottuvil DS divisions.

Psycho-social

- SCiSL supported a computer classes for 27 students of the Aalankulam children's club in Aalankulam-Akkaraipattu are ongoing.
- SCiSL distributed play materials to two youth clubs in Vinayagapuram-Thirukkivil and Aalankulam-Akkaraipattu benefiting 75 youth.

Education

- SCiSL supported an exchange visit of 47 students of the Ganesha Pre-School in Kalmunai Tamil Cehnaikkudiyiruppu to a Play Park at Thampattai.
- SCiSL upgraded a child friendly space at the Kasthuri pre-school in Vinayagapuram-Thirukkovil and the Ganesha pre-school in Cehnaikkudiyiruppu- Kalmunai Tamil benefiting 90 students.
- SCiSL donated Rupees 100,000 each to four pre-school development societies Cehnaikkudiyiruppu and Akkaraipattu.
- SCiSL trained 30 selected pre-school teachers on first aid.
- SCiSL conducted a workshop on leadership and school development at the Ganesha MV Cehnaikkudiyiruppu- Kalmunai Tamil for 50 students.
- SCiSL distributed a public address system, stage equipment and uniforms to 28 students attending catch-up education classes at the Shakthi Vidyalaya in Akkaraipattu.
- SCiSL distributed ten bicycles to Km/Shanmuga MV and Km/Al-Ashraff Vidyalaya – in Kalmunai.
- SCiSL distributed 27 foot balls at nine schools.

Livelihood

- Last week, CARE conducted two livelihood capacity building training sessions for 52 beneficiaries: one training for goat rearing and another one for poultry farming for Salambakkeni-2 and Central camp-2 beneficiaries in Navithanveli DS division.
- CARE conducted a technical training for 30 persons on community based sustainable rural road construction. It was conducted with the collaboration of the GAMANA organization (Expertise) through the coordination of Practical Action.

Health

- IOM distributed 102 toilet cleaning tools to 377 families at the tsunami transitional shelters in Kalmunai Tamil, Kalmunai Muslim and Akkaraipattu DS Divisions.

JAFFNA DISTRICT (01-30 September 2007)

Internally Displaced Persons

- According to UNHCR/Ministry of Nation Building and Disaster Relief Services, as of 24 August 2007 6,786 IDP families (24,151 persons) were displaced in Jaffna district.

Sector Response

Protection

- UNHCR/DRC shared with GA the Welfare centre assessment report. A related presentation to humanitarian agencies in Jaffna was done on 25 September. The report and database has been published on www.unhcr.lk or www.humanitarianinfo.org/srilanka
- The UNHCR provided Extremely Vulnerable Individual (EVI) assistance to two IDP single-headed IDP families.
- De-mining is progressing in 25 sites in Sandillipay, Kopay, Thenmaradchchi, Chankanai and Battle Area Clearance at Allaipiddy in Velanai DS divisions. 70,607m2 cleared and 139,257 m2 cleared area handed over to the beneficiaries through the respective Divisional Secretaries. Five Mine/UXO removal request forms were collected from Sandillipay DS division by the Mine Risk Education (MRE) NGO Sarvodaya.
- Three MRE programs were done in Pulavar Welfare center by Sarvodaya. All together 60 refugees (44 female and 16 male) received MRE messages.
- SCiSL conducted a Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) workshop for 39 children in Madduvil east division
- SCiSL conducted a Parental Care workshop for 100 parents in the Kovilkudiyiruppu community through the Kovilkudiyiruppu Village level Child protection committee.
- SCiSL supplied 70 kitchen sets to 70 pre-schools in Jaffna and Island zones
- SCiSL distributed 493 pairs of shoes to children in the four schools in Valikamam division and conducted a two day Child friendly system workshop for 30 teachers of 5 schools in Chavakachcheri Division.
- SCiSL conducted a DRR workshop for 76 school children in the Valikamam Zone.
- SCiSL distributed 70 chairs and 14 cupboards to 7 schools in the Valikamam zone
- SCiSL supplied musical instruments to six schools in the Valikamam division.

NFRIs

- UNHCR distributed selected NFRIs to 985 IDP families living at welfare centers and with host.

- SCiSL supplied three water filters and two Football to one village level child protection committee in Chavakachcheri division
- SCiSL distributed sports items to five schools in Chankanai and Kopay division. Items are as follows 4 Badminton set, 10 Chess Board, 4 Foot Balls, 2 Net Balls, 6 Dam Boards, 1 Volley Ball set and 6 Tennis Ball
- SCiSL distributed one set of electric bulbs, 2 cricket set, 2 Volley ball sets, 3 Plastic basin, 2 School bags and 14 caps to certified schools in Kondavil division.
- 200 school kits supplied to 200 children in Jaffna, Chavakachcheri and Thirunelvely
- SCiSL supplied 12 chairs, 5 tables, 75 benches and 6 cabinets to the Village level child protection committee in Sandillipay, Karaveddy, Chavakachcheri and Jaffna.

Shelter

- UNHCR completed repairs to 125 existing shelters at old welfare centres through its implementing partner JSAC's Shelter Unit in the Sandillipay, Chankanai and Uduvil Divisions.
- UNHABITAT's roof work is ongoing at Polikandy West, Athikovilady and Revady. Out of 149 houses 33 have been completed with tiles.
- UNHABITAT's Kudatanai Top-Up Programmes construction of the Internal Road has been approved by the Funding Agency and the Community Development Council has commenced works. Out of 115 beneficiaries 95 have been paid their 1st installment of Rs.83,000.
- UNHABITAT's Aalvai West Top-Up Programmes construction of 161 houses at Alvai West has been approved by the Funding Agency. Files are being opened up in order to verify the documents and to recommend for the release of the first installment to beneficiaries.

Food Security

- The WFP managed UN logistics hub and warehouses located in Kopay is now functional.
- 43,500 MT of food was delivered to Jaffna for WFP supported programmes, including Mother and Child Nutrition Programme, food for education for grades 1 to 9 students in all schools in Jaffna and food for work initiatives.
- Only non-mechanized craft (Vallam, Kaddumaram & Thepam) are allowed and fishing is allowed up to a maximum distance of 1 to 2 Km from shore during day time according to a rotational basis. However, this month FAO received approval from MoD to issue the 86 out motor boats (remaining balance from tsunami programme) to 86 beneficiaries selected/approved by the GA, Asst. Director of Fishery and FAO.
- The Ministry of Defense has approved for FAO to issue 100 OBM to 100 tsunami-affected beneficiaries selected by GA and Assistant Director of Fisheries in 7 DS Divisions of Jaffna district.

Water and Sanitation

- UNICEF assists the government in meeting the minimum water and sanitation requirements for 1,058 IDPs in temporary accommodation centers (TACs), host communities and primary schools.
- 413 students including 198 girls 215 boys benefited from the sanitation unit provided by UNICEF to the displaced and relocated Usan Ramanthan School in Thenmaradchy division. The official handing over took place on 12 September 2007. The sanitation unit includes 4 toilets and 2 urinals separated for girls and boys.
- The Rehabilitation of five water and 32 sanitation facilities in Pandaveddai welfare centre in Chankanai DS division for 66 resettling IDPs has commenced by UNICEF.
- UNICEF's delivery of hygiene posters to 161 schools in Jaffna was completed jointly with the student kits distributed from 05-12 September 2007.
- A joint preparatory meeting was conducted at the Konatpulam welfare centers in Tellipalay DS division on 14 September 2007 and was attended by IDPs, Grama Sevaka of the area, Technical officer, and UNICEF. The following decisions were taken. Location of facilities were reconfirmed and priorities identified ; Local Watsan working group formed to facilitate construction works;
- During the water and sanitation coordination meeting held at the District Secretariat, UNICEF reported that humanitarian assistance to the welfare center with regard to rehabilitation of water and sanitation facilities is provided by UNICEF in Chankanai, Tellipalay and Uduvil and ICRC in the remaining five DS divisions.

Health and Nutrition

- 1,000 severely malnourished children under five years are been screened by health workers in all 7 MOH areas. This screening process is in line with the Nutrition Rehabilitation Programme expansion to cover the whole district. To support the RDHS, UNICEF already delivered therapeutic milk and plumpy nuts.

- With UNICEF support 8,960 children under five years of age are reported moderately underweight and are been provided with UNICEF High Energy Biscuits

Education

- The phase 1 distribution of 35,856 student kits covering 161 schools took place 5-12 September.
- 94,000 kits were received from UNICEF Colombo, including 32,300 kits for grades one to five, 58,700 kits for grade 6-11 and 3,000 kits for grade 12-13 for the 2nd phase distribution which started on 25 September. From the 241 remaining schools, 86 from Valikamam zone have received stationary kits. The distribution is ongoing and planned until 11 October.
- 14 temporary classrooms constructed by UNICEF for the 500 displaced students of the Usan Ramanthan MV School were opened on 12 September.
- SCiSL supplied 64 school kits to children through Kaithady Village Level Child Protection Committee (VLCPC)
- SCiSL distributed 733 pairs of shoes to school children in the four schools in Kopay division and 91 pairs of shoes distributed to two schools in Vadamarachchi division
- SCiSL supplied musical instruments to Chulipuram Arumugam Vidiyalayam in Sandillipay division
- IOM completed the construction work on an overhead tank, a permanent toilet with septic tank and provision of furniture and play materials to the Pre-school for Earlalai Community.
- IOM completed construction work on a tube well, a water tank, renovation on the main building and supply of furniture to the Pre-school for Puttur community.
- IOM has started construction work on the Pre-school for Sandillipay community.
- IOM has started construction work on permanent toilets with septic tanks in two Pre-schools for Analaitivue community.

Psycho-social

- A Child Friendly Space workshop was held on 13 September for 33 participants from 13 organizations working with children. A resource person from SCiSL Colombo office delivered the training on child protection policy and code of conduct.
- UNICEF continues to support JSAC, a local NGO partner, in conducting Child Friendly Space activities in 5 areas (Varani north, Karampaikuruchchi, Pasaiyoor, Kurunagar, St. Rocks in Kurunagar) and in 4 children homes (Paramanatha - Karaveddy, Palam -Kopay, Hindu board- Thirunelvely, Karunalayam- Nallur) benefiting 650 children during this reporting period.
- The Peace day celebration was conducted on 23 September at J/Central College wherein 1,000 children from different children's clubs participated. Children placed their hand marks on a Sri Lanka map using 3 different colours representing three ethnic groups in Sri Lanka.

Livelihood

- 14 livelihood projects are being implemented by UNDP and 3,000 direct beneficiaries are supported through these 14 projects. Out of the 14 projects 8 projects have been completed.
- The UNDP 1,000 IDP youth livelihood project is been carried out through two partners in collaboration with the Divisional Secretaries.
- A UNDP livelihood support programme for IDPs from high security zones residing in welfare camps and with friends and relatives is in the initial stage. A proposal has been developed and the implementing partner has been identified by UNDP.
- IOM is implementing a livelihood programme for the Sri Lankan refugees returning from India by providing training in home gardening for 33 beneficiaries.
- A vocational training on electric wiring, computer & dress making for 42 RRI beneficiaries are in progress by IOM.
- A livelihood assistance programme is implemented by the IOM for 59 beneficiaries by providing fishing gear for 49 beneficiaries, sewing machine for 7 beneficiaries and tools for self employment for 3 beneficiaries.
- IOM is implementing a start up business (Fancy House) programme to the 'Assisted Voluntary Returnees'.