

Kenya Situation Report #9

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Update

- The security tension continues to build. The whole of the Rift Valley is now in phase 3 of UN security.
- The humanitarian situation continues to worsen, especially for people needing safe passage and those stranded near police stations.
- More camps are springing up within the Rift Valley province at a pace that is overwhelming the humanitarian agencies either because of logistical limitations and/or security concerns.
- Inter-agency and health cluster meetings were held to share information and concerns as well as plan and improve response.
- Humanitarian needs in Kipkelion, Molo and Naivasha districts are not being completely met, while trans-Nzoia services are being threatened.
- Main providers of the health services in various forms are the existing government facilities, MSF and MAP. UNICEF and CAPACITY have recruited 80 temporary health workers (mainly nurses, public health officers and nutritionists) but less than half have so far reported due to security concerns.
- APPIA 2 have evacuated their staff to Nairobi for security reasons. The planned outreach services to be sponsored by APPIA 2 and that were planned to begin yesterday could not take off.
- Main concerns of the health cluster are security of health workers and health facilities.
- Many key officers of the PMT are not showing up at work
- Imminent outbreaks are also of concern. Rumors of outbreak of meningitis in Maraqet and diarrhoeal diseases in Baraka (Molo district) are being investigated.

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