

## NAIROBI REGIONAL DELEGATION

## FACTS &amp; FIGURES

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## ICRC REGIONAL DELEGATION RESPONSE TO COVID-19 IN KENYA, DJIBOUTI AND TANZANIA

With the onset of the COVID-19 crisis mid-March, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) adjusted its ongoing humanitarian response and support in the region. Working in partnership with the Red Cross and Red Crescent societies, we developed a new multi-disciplinary operational response to support prisons, and the national societies response to the pandemic.

Whilst setting up a COVID-19 response, it was crucial for the ICRC and the Red Cross Movement to adapt its humanitarian response in light of the pandemic. Regular operations that could continue were then adapted to ensure safe delivery of services and goods to the populations we serve and proper duty of care to our staff and National Society volunteers. The information contained in this bulletin is an overview of our operations for the first half of 2020 in all 3 contexts.

### KENYA



#### 1.1 INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL IN PRISONS.

A joint needs assessment was carried out with the Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS) and Kenya Prisons Service (KPS) from March-April in 55 prisons to assess the needs and respond accordingly.



#### Policy recommendations

High level dialogue and engagement with authorities focused on COVID-19

health policies for prison set-up and decongestion measures.



#### Infrastructure: setting up of screening and quarantine sections

In the first phase, the ICRC donated construction material (tools, timber, cement, roofing sheets and some tents) to **129** prisons to build screening and quarantine stations. This was followed by a targeted support towards **45** priority quarantine areas with building material and technical advice.



### Technical advice

In collaboration with the KPS and Ministry of Health (MoH), the ICRC/KRCS supported the development of Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) to limit the spread of COVID-19 in prisons. The SOPs include screening at entry points, management of quarantine units and isolation centres, guidelines for food handling and preparation, sanitation and how to safely make family phone calls.



### Maintaining Hygiene

Donation of hand washing stations and protective equipment including **60,000** pieces of soap, PPE's (**1800** surgical masks, **400** gowns and face shields), **405** touchless thermometers and disposable gloves. Procurement of raw material for mass production of **150,000** reusable/washable cloth masks in prison tailoring workshops to be used by prisoners and KPS staff and their families.



### Raising awareness

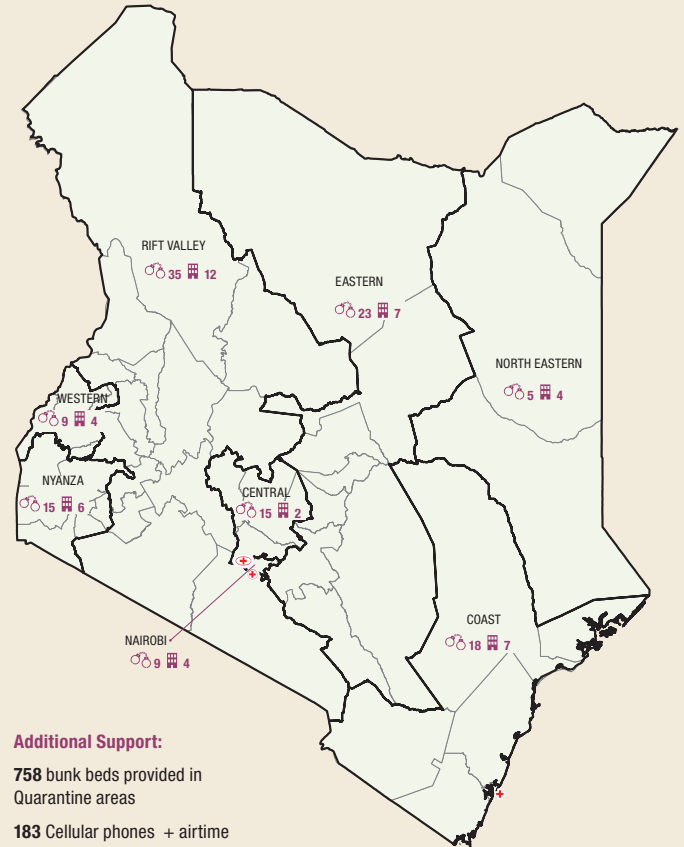
COVID-19 awareness sessions were conducted in all prisons by KRCS volunteers and 1000 posters on COVID-19 preventive measures distributed. ICRC informative videos on COVID-19 were availed for prisoners and KPS staff.



### Restoring Family Links in Prison

Distribution of **183** cellular phones and airtime to all prisons countrywide. The phone contact service is an alternative to suspended family and consular visits.

## COVID-19 SUPPORT TO DETENTION FACILITIES



### Additional Support:

**758** bunk beds provided in Quarantine areas

**183** Cellular phones + airtime

- Regions
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- Delegation
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### Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS)

Provision of access to KRCS' MHPSS **1199** toll free line for all prisoners and KPS staff.



Joint inspection of a completed quarantine facility at a Kenyan prison.





## 1.2 OTHER SUPPORT

### Humanitarian Forensics:

Shared ICRC COVID-19 Forensic guidelines allowing for dignified management of human remains and donated **400** body bags, PPE & Hygiene kits to MoH Forensic department.

### Support to KRCS COVID-19 Response

Donation of **850** Non-food Item (NFI) kits, purchase of Red Cross Jackets and incentive support for **350** volunteers. Community engagement activities supported in eight counties (Lamu, Kilifi, Kwale, Mombasa, Malindi, Garissa, Wajir and Mandera) as well as production of Information, Education and Communication (IEC) material and radio spots.

## 1.3 ENSURING OPERATIONAL CONTINUITY



### Restoring Family links (RFL) for refugees:

Ongoing support to KRCS family contact services in Dadaab and Kakuma refugee camps. To ensure safe humanitarian service, PPE and Hygiene kits were donated for use by KRCS RFL staff & volunteers and COVID-19 protocols developed for safe phone calls while offering family contact service.



### Building the Resilience of communities in Lamu and Garissa counties:

Distribution of **20,000** cassava cuttings for **3** villages in Lamu for **250** House Holds (HH). **14** Voluntary Savings and Loan Association (VSLA) groups continue with activities while maintaining social distancing. **224** HH received Nutritional messages to support community well-being. To boost agricultural output in Boni area, a tractor was rented and sent to plough fields in **4** villages.



### Promote Knowledge and Respect of International Humanitarian Law (IHL) and International Human Rights Law:

#### Academic Circles

Sponsored **3** Kenyan students to participate in the Jean-Pictet competition on International Law in Indonesia in March. **20** International Relations postgraduate students from



Ploughing in readiness for planting in Lamu. Together with KRCS we distributed cassava cuttings to ensure farmers sustain their livelihood inspite of COVID-19.

Daystar University were sensitized on ICRC operations and IHL.

#### Authorities

**46** officers received training on IHRL principles applicable in policing. Members of the National Committee on IHL (NACOI) participated in a technical training on jive online platform for national committees and similar entities to facilitate exchange of information between various committees. They were also briefed on technical legal issues pertaining to international law and cyber security.



## 1.4 REGIONAL OPERATIONS

### Nairobi Logistics Support Centre

Purchased **3.2** million CHF (**337** million KES) worth of goods from **175** suppliers in Kenya.

Shipped **3,039** Metric ton of relief goods, food and non-food items to **26** countries, with a total value of **8.47** million CHF (**904** million KES). Transported **7801** Metric Ton of relief items by road.



### The Learning and Development Unit

Facilitated **2** management courses for **56** entry and senior level managers from the region. Held **1** Security Awareness in the field session for **141** staff. Since the Outbreak of COVID-19, the team carried out online trainings for **83** persons from different countries including a course on working remotely.

# DJIBOUTI

## COVID-19 INTERVENTION

### GABODE PRISON



#### Infection and prevention control

The ICRC Supported authorities in Gabode Prison to formulate COVID-19 Health Protocols and implement practical measures to prevent and limit the spread of COVID-19 among prisoners and prisons staff. Staff were trained on IPC measures and material provided (cleaning and disinfecting equipment, touchless thermometers) and PPE's to maintain personal hygiene and clean common areas.



#### Policy recommendations

High level dialogue and engagement



#### Family links for Refugees and Migrants.

Ongoing support to Djibouti Red Crescent Society (DRCS) RFL services to refugees and migrants. Setting up of washing stations outside RFL offices and tents, distribution of PPE materials (masks and gloves) for volunteers. Provision of RFL phone call services following COVID-19 safe Protocols.



#### OPERATIONAL CONTINUITY:

Trained **30** maritime law enforcement personnel on principles applicable to policing and migrants. Trained **44** military personnel on IHL and IHRL and principles applicable to policing.

# TANZANIA

## COVID-19 INTERVENTION

### ZANZIBAR CORRECTIONAL SERVICES



#### Infection and Prevention control:

COVID-19 Draft SoPs and protocols were discussed with authorities (screening, quarantine, isolation, food preparation, case management). Ongoing technical support (health and infrastructure). Donation of hand washing equipment and items including **1000** bars of soap and **50** tap-stand buckets and PPE's which included 10 infrared thermometers, **500** surgical masks amongst other items.



#### Support to Tanzania Red Cross Society (TRCS) COVID-19 Response

Supported the printing of **5000** posters with COVID-19 preventive measures and purchase of **45** megaphones and other equipment for airing of COVID-19 messages in refugee camps and in Zanzibar and Pemba island.



#### Maintaining Family contacts for the Refugees:

Reunited **62** individuals (incl. **32** in Burundi) Prior to COVID-19. Ongoing support to TRCS family contact services in all refugee camps. To ensure safe humanitarian service, PPE and Hygiene kits were donated for use by TRCS staff & volunteers and COVID-19 protocols developed for safe phone calls while offering family contact service. Development of e-follow-up service and RFL hotline.






#### Promote Knowledge and Respect of International Humanitarian Law (IHL) and International Human Rights Law:

Sponsored **1** official from the Ministry of Legal and Constitutional Affairs from Tanzania to attend the IHL Advanced course in Pretoria. **3** students were sponsored to attend the Jean-Pictet competition on International Law in March.

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