

Emergency Appeal Operation Update

Ebola Virus Disease Emergency Appeals (Liberia, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Nigeria, Senegal and Africa Coordination)

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Summary

IFRC supports National Societies with international emergency appeals to combat Ebola in Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Nigeria and Senegal. The appeals employ a 5 pillar approach spelled out in an Ebola regional framework, comprising: (1) Beneficiary Communication and Social Mobilization; (2) Contact Tracing and Surveillance; (3) Psychosocial Support; (4) Case Management; and (5) Safe and Dignified Burials (SDB) and Disinfection. In addition, a regional appeal was launched to accommodate multi-country support needs. IFRC also continues to support smaller preparedness and response operations financed under its Disaster Response Emergency Fund (DREF) in Mali, Cote d'Ivoire, Cameroon, Togo, Benin, Central African Republic, Chad, Gambia, Kenya and Guinea Bissau. In total, 15 countries have emergency operations relating to this outbreak.¹



A member of the Liberian Red Cross burial teams awaits disinfection after retrieving the body of a suspected Ebola fatality in Monrovia //IFRC

The number of Ebola virus disease (EVD) cases continues to soar exponentially in the hardest hit countries of Liberia, Sierra Leone and Guinea. It is estimated that each single confirmed case of EVD is responsible for infecting 1.5 to 2.0 additional individuals over a 10 to 20 day period and, therefore, the outbreak is in a phase of very rapid growth.

Mali becomes the latest country in West Africa to be affected by this ravaging virus. On 23 October, Mali's Ministry of Health confirmed the country's first case of EVD. The patient, who since succumbed to the disease, was a two-year old girl who had arrived from Guinea with her grandmother. WHO is treating the situation in Mali as an emergency as reports indicate that the child was symptomatic throughout her journey and could have presented multiple opportunities for exposure to many people. In response to this, 43 contacts, including 10 health care workers are currently being monitored in Mali. Further contacts are also being traced. Currently, the Red Cross in Mali is not seeking additional IFRC support.

The regional Red Cross strategy on combating the EVD outbreak has just been revised and is elaborated in a Regional Operations Framework. It serves as a 'living document' to provide a quick overview of priorities, guide operations, and help NS involved in the response to stay focused in a context of multiple competing priorities.

¹ An operation in Democratic Republic of Congo was launched to combat the separate Ebola outbreak that is not part of the West African outbreak.

Operation Updates

	Operational Countries and Appeals					
	GUINEA	LIBERIA	SIERRA LEONE	NIGERIA	SENEGAL	TOTAL
	(MDRGN007)	(MDRLR001)	(MDRSL005)	(MDRNG017)	(MDRSN010)	
Cumulative All Cases	1,553	4,665	3,896	21	1	10,136
Cumulative Health Care Worker Deaths	43	123	95	5	-	266
Cumulative Deaths	926	2,705	1,281	8	0	4,920
Fatality rate	60%	58%	33%	38%	0%	
Dead bodies managed by NS	1,084	2,198	552	0	-	3,834
Trained RC volunteers active in Ebola	1,200	3713	1,864	184	24	6,985
Contacts traced by NS	6,251	17,148	24,855	891	75	49,220
Houses disinfected by NS	16,411	289	1,525	14		18,239
People reached through social mobilization²	935,987	520,266	805,768	573,355		2,835,376
People reached through Psychosocial support	407	1,012	2,732	236		4,387
People treated by NS (Kenema)	NA	NA	143	NA	NA	143

NA= Not applicable- Treatment currently only in Sierra Leone

Source: WHO Sitreps, Ministries of Health (Guinea, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Senegal) and IFRC

Liberia

Social mobilisation

Ebola awareness raising being done in 11 counties now, Bomi, Bong, Gbarpolu, Grand Bassa, Grand Cape Mount, Grand Gedeh, Lofa, Margibi, Montserrado, Nimba and Rivercess

- 556 volunteers engaged in social Mobilisation
- 123 communities reached with Social Mobilization activities in the reporting period
- 4,745 HHs reached in the reporting period
- 38,394 people reached in the reporting period.

Contact tracing and surveillance

- 163 volunteers engaged in contact tracing
- 968 contacts traced during this week
- 446 contacts completed 21 days
- 12 interrupted due to symptoms

Psychosocial Support:

- This week 30 volunteers trained: 10 in Bomi, Bong and Margibi. The topics of the training were the following : Psychosocial support; Psychological first aid , Stress and Coping

Safe and Dignified Burials

Accumulated number of bodies collected from the onset of the engagement in the SDB the 24 July is 2,198.

- Between 20th- 24th October 146 bodies were retrieved. Less than 40 per day.
- 16 SDB teams active
- 4 disinfection teams active
- Mobile data collection is in process.
- Swabs are being collected and transferred to CDC lab.

Sierra Leone

Beneficiary Communication and Social Mobilization:

- Beneficiary communication volunteers are embedded in the SDB teams and are involved in communicating key messages to the affected families and communities and collecting data using mobile phones.
- 210 volunteers actively involved in social mobilization during the reporting period.
- 2,610 household visited for door to door sensitization campaign in the week reaching 5,768 (1826-Male, 1859-Female and 2,083-Children).
- 28 mass sensitisation sessions were organised targeting mosques, churches and other crowded places.

Contact Tracing and Surveillance:

- 403 new contacts traced and registered by NS this week
- 261 additional volunteers (Bombali-54, Port Loko-70, Freetown-70 and Waterloo-67) were trained to support contact tracing and PSS activities

Psychosocial Support:

- 261 volunteers trained in PSS during the reporting period
- 2,732 people reached through Psychosocial support pillar
- 223 Ebola survivors escorted and reintegrated back to the community

Case Management in Kenema IFRC ETC

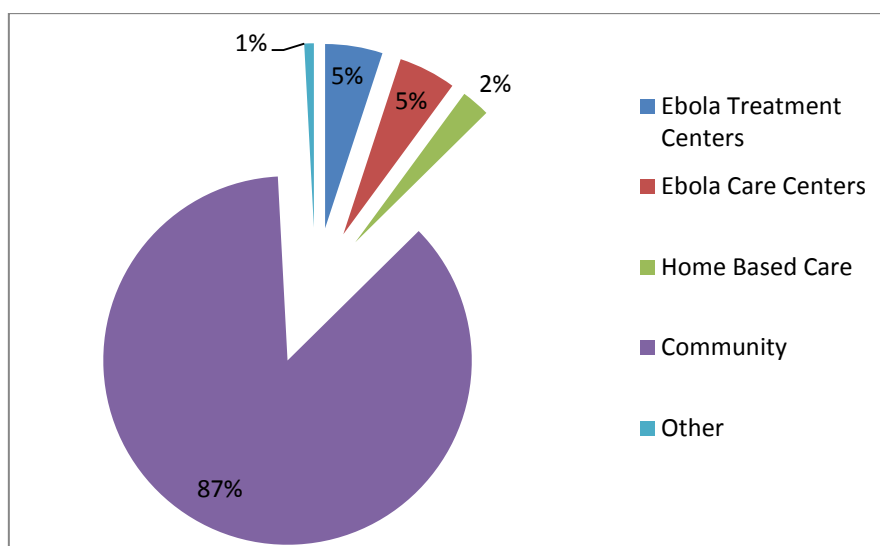
Cumulative Admissions	143
Cumulative Deaths	62
Cumulative Discharges	42
Cumulative Transfers	10

The current Red Cross partners include; CRS, MOH, UNFPA, WHO, UNICEF, CDC, CARE, CAWEC, NETHIPS and CORDSL

Safe and Dignified Burials and Disinfections:

- 164 (48% Male and 52% Female) safe and dignified burials conducted by SLRCS in the week. 103 (80%) burials were carried out in Freetown; 19 in Port Loko; 32 in Kailahun; 8 in Bombali and 2 in Bo.
- 125 houses were disinfected during the week.

- Chart below shows location where bodies were collected for safe burials—with the vast majority being collected from communities.



Guinea

Beneficiary Communication and Social Mobilization:

Response activities in social mobilisation and sensitization taking place during the removal of bodies and the safe and dignified burials.

- 66 households visited after the removal of the deceased.
- 6 clinics were sensitised
- 4 markets were sensitized after the removal of community deaths.
- Addressing reticence: Social mobilization and sensitization activities are ongoing sensitization against reticent communities and some villages are apologizing to local authorities and Red Cross Committees. These activities continued and focused to stop of reticence in the village of Nerebougny, the Prefecture of Boke, where 21 contacts were identified and a system of follow-up was established.

Safe and Dignified Burials, and Disinfections:

- 72 safe and dignified burials have taken place during the reporting week.
- 41 teams were engaged in safe and dignified burials.
- Disinfecting took place:
 - 144 households were disinfected
 - 6 clinics
 - 4 markets
 - 12 communities after community deaths
- 37 teams were engaged in disinfecting.

Nigeria

Beneficiary Communication and Social Mobilization:

- A total of 573,355 people were reached through market rallies, house to house and street outreach.
- The Nigeria Red Cross, in partnership with Etisalat—a telecommunications company, conducted four radio interviews and utilized SMS messages sent to all mobile subscribers.
- The Nigeria RC also developed flyers, posters and banners for use during dissemination of information on Ebola.

Contact Tracing and Surveillance:

- On 20 October, WHO declared Nigeria Ebola-free after six weeks with no new cases reported.
- All contacts completed 21 days monitoring on 1 October with no further cases identified. Last confirmed cases were reported in early September

Psychosocial Support:

- All 184 active volunteers and staff involved in the Ebola operation receive regular counselling and stress management sessions. The federal government is providing high level psychosocial support to the survivors and relatives of the deceased.
- A total of 236 people including survivors, family members of survivors and family members of the deceased received psychosocial support from trained Red Cross volunteers.

Senegal

The monitoring of 75 contacts ended after 21 days. The last contact of Senegal's single confirmed case of Ebola virus disease completed the requisite 21-day monitoring period, under medical supervision, developed no symptoms, and tested negative for the virus. On 17 October, WHO officially declared Senegal free of Ebola virus transmission.

While the outbreak in Senegal is currently considered contained, risk analyses define Senegal as a high-risk country and continued strengthening of response capacity and preparedness is vital for an early and effective response to potential new cases.

IFRC's [Emergency Appeal](#) launched in September supports the Senegalese Red Cross Society to respond to the ongoing Ebola outbreak risk through information and communication, education, awareness raising, social mobilization, psychosocial support, and regional collaboration.

The Implementation of response activities was commenced early and was scaled up through allocation of IFRC DREF, and the launch of the Emergency Appeal. The Senegalese Red Cross Society engaged with relevant committees at the Ministry of Health level, enabling SRCS to better implement its Ebola response plan.

A team of 24 volunteers supervised by six supervisors were involved in the monitoring of the 75 contacts in the capital Dakar. These monitoring activities have included taking the contacts' temperature, sensitization, and distribution of food kits as well as psychosocial support. Besides, the National Society mobilized its logistics means to support the distribution of hygiene kits countrywide. Also, a team of 6 volunteers was deployed to Fann Hospital to support the health team in the Ebola treatment centre.

Funding

	GUINEA	LIBERIA	SIERRA LEONE	NIGERIA	SENEGAL	AFRICA coordination and preparedness	Total
	(MDRGN007)	(MDRLR001)	(MDRSL005)	(MDRNG017)	(MDRSN010)	(MDR60002)	
TOTAL AMOUNT SOUGHT:	8,932,366	8,483,155	12,855,909*	1,619,444	1,380,692	2,893,667	36,165,233
TOTAL RECEIVED TO DATE:	6,168,481	5,251,617	15,134,761	734,612	225,762	1,588,647	29,103,880
APPEAL COVERAGE TO DATE:	69%	62%	100%	45.3%	16.3%	55%	

* Budget has recently been revised to CHF 41.1M but was not yet reflected in the system at time of publication

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 The Canadian Red Cross Society
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 The Republic of Korea National Red Cross
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The IFRC's work is guided by Strategy 2020 which puts forward three strategic aims:

1. Save lives, protect livelihoods, and strengthen recovery from disaster and crises.
2. Enable healthy and safe living.
3. Promote social inclusion and a culture of non-violence and peace.

West Africa Ebola Outbreak

Total Cases

27 October 2014



No longer active - no cases in previous 21 days

Country	Cases	Deaths	TOTAL
Guinea	1,553	926	Cases 10,141
Liberia	4,665	2,705	Deaths 4,922
Sierra Leone	3,896	1,281	

Total cases and deaths include "Probable/Suspected" and "Confirmed"

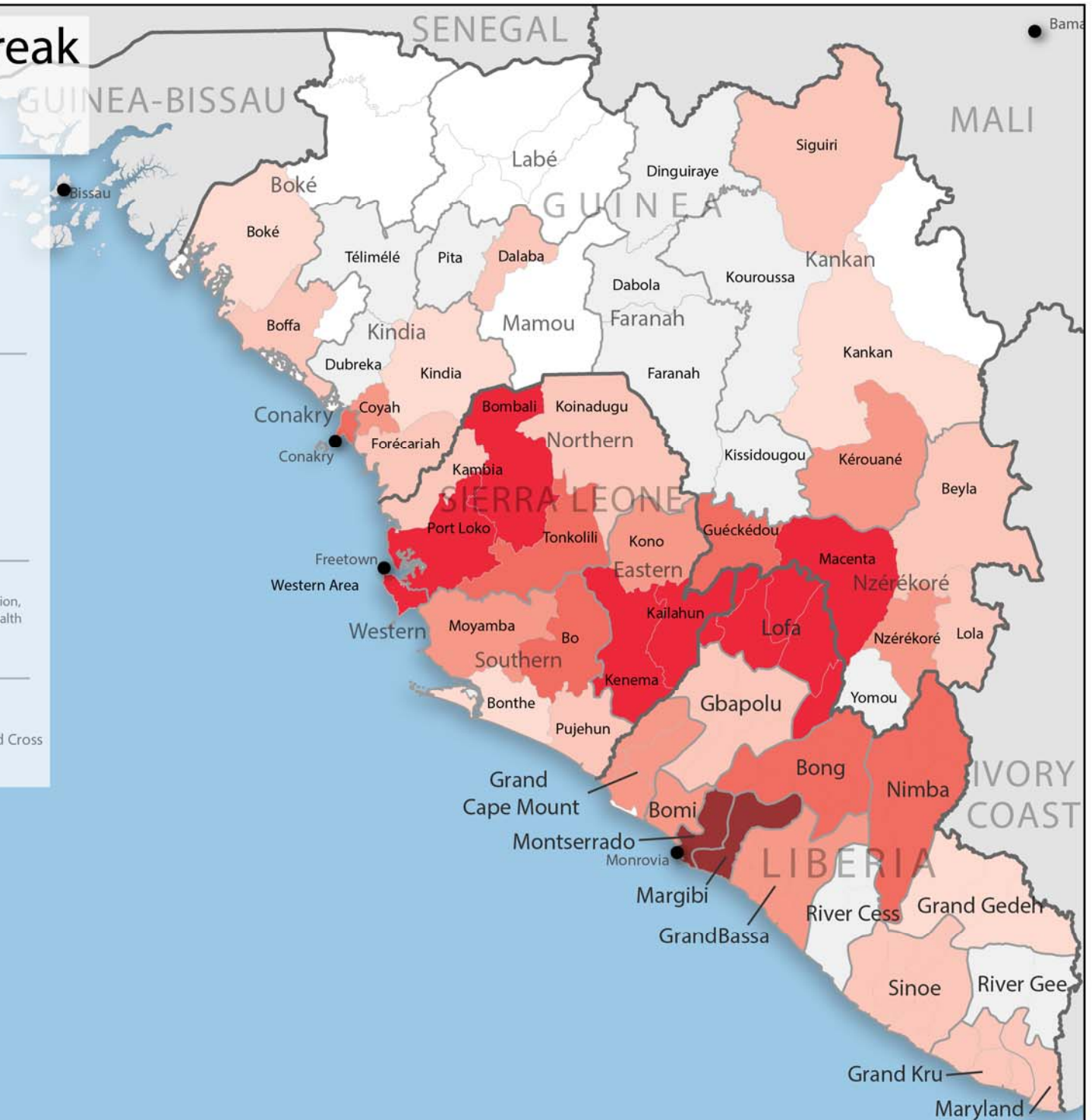
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Movement Restrictions

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Border crossing:
Closed / Open

Closed international country border

Quarantined counties or districts
(Counties in Liberia; districts in
Sierra Leone)

Cross-border isolation zone

Airports with suspended flights and
ports with limited and monitored entry

Movement restrictions below the county/district level (chiefdoms
and towns) are not shown on this regional map. See country level
maps for details.

Map sources: GADM, OpenStreetMap and Logistics Cluster

Movement restrictions information: based on local news reports
and government statements as detailed in <http://goo.gl/zplmSy>

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Closed border crossing



Closed international country border



Quarantined county



Quarantined district



Quarantined settlement



Airport with suspended flights



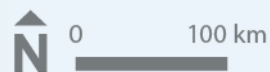
Port with limited and monitored entry



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Closed border crossing



Closed international country border



Quarantined district



Quarantined chiefdom



Quarantined settlement



Airport with suspended flights



Port with limited and monitored entry



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General Movement Restrictions Context

- A standard operating procedure (SOP) for enforcing quarantines was approved on 16 October and involves training 4000-5000 enforcement officers.
- New law since 29 August imposes six month jail sentence for entering or leaving Ebola-affected areas without medical authorisation.
- New law since 22 August forbids the 'habouring' of Ebola victims with maximum jail sentence of two years.
- State of Emergency declared on 1 August leading to the closure of schools, markets and any public or mass gatherings.
- International flights to and from Sierra Leone have been restricted by 21 countries.
- International ports in Ivory Coast, Senegal and Gabon have closed their sea border to ships from Sierra Leone.

