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PEOPLE REACHED WITH SOME FORM OF ASSISTANCE* 40.895



FUNDING SITUATION**

Of FUNDED: \$1M

REQUIREMENT: \$274.7M

Situation

On 8 February, the Government of Peru launched its vaccination process against COVID-19, confirming that all foreign nationals, regardless of their legal status in the country – will be included in the immunization.

The **northern border remains militarized** as Ecuador, in agreement with Peru, has also deployed their armed forces to prevent movements of persons across the border. The Ombusdperson's offices from Peru, Ecuador and Colombia released a joint statement calling their governments to adopt measures to provide humanitarian assistance to persons on human mobility, enable pathways to regularization and requesting them to not disproportionately deploy military and police forces to the borders. On 19 February, the Congress' Commission on Foreign Affairs held an extraordinary session to analyze the developments in Tumbes and at the border, after which members of Congress and the Governor of Tumbes requested the reopening of the border, looking to improve the management of irregular entries, the enforcement of administrative sanctions and rejections, as well as the reactivation of the commercial sector of the economy in Aguas Verdes.

On 22 February, the Superintendence of Migration (SNM) extended the pre-registration process to obtain the new stay permit (*Carné de Permiso Temporal de Permanencia*, or CPP). During the first couple of weeks almost 245,000 foreigners living in Peru, mainly Venezuelans, had already registered online.

Response

The GTRM has been closely monitoring and responding to the developments in the northern border with Ecuador. Partners expressed their concern over the presence and role of the army to control the flows of refugees and migrants through Tumbes and how this could have consequences for human rights and international protection obligations. GTRM Partners in Tumbes have also coordinated to standardize the different kinds of kits that are being distributed to assist refugees and migrants in transit at the border and started to prepare contingency plans.

GTRM Partners assisted some **2,700 Venezuelans** with general protection orientations and some **1,800 refugees and migrants** with legal counselling, particularly to clarify questions on the preregistration process for the new CPP stay permit. Partners further supported some **1,140** refugees and migrants **through case management**. Some **1,400** persons received psychosocial support for families at risk of violence, facing increasing socioeconomic challenges and vulnerability, persons living with HIV, supplementing mental health interventions.

In the framework of the new Standard Operation Procedures (SOP) on human traffic and smuggling, GTRM partners assisted six victims of human trafficking. Two of these victims were children (boys), two women and two men. The assistance included humanitarian aid, access to health services and case management.

To strengthen efforts on child protection (CP), GTRM partners assisted some **660** children and their parents through six safe spaces, mainly provided through remote safe spaces. In addition, 30 survivors of gender-based violence (GBV) were assisted through case management, legal counselling, and psychosocial support.

Some 100 highly vulnerable refugees and migrants benefited from alternative accommodations in both established shelters and improvised arrangements in hostels, including in the region of Tumbes, where the influx of irregular entries has demanded more support. Some 170 persons received kitchen sets to improve their shelter arrangements. GTRM Partners distributed over 13,300 hot and cold meals to support over 2,200 highly vulnerable refugees, migrants, and host community members and 200 persons were assisted with family food kits across the country. In addition, some 350 persons had access to food through 12 soup-kitchens and over 21,300 received Cash Based Interventions (CBI) to support food security. Partners distributed some 2,700 hygiene kits to assist almost 2,500 highly vulnerable refugees and migrants and nearly 1,000 liters of water were distributed to support 2,240 Venezuelans in transit.

With partners' support, some 130 students accessed education and another 140 received school kits to help their families avoid

the economic challenges that prevent them from prioritizing education. Furthermore, through the co-leadearship of the Ministry of Education in the working group, the GTRM is working towards ensuring direct institutional involvement on the issues of access and permanence of refugee and migrant students in the national education system. As part of this effort, a strategy to promote an exceptional enrollment process lead by the Ministry of Education and supported by GTRM partners will be implemented in mid-April.

Moreover, GTRM partners facilitated the **validation of over 60 professional degrees** to enable refugees and migrants to achieve higher levels of social mobility to fight poverty and other vulnerabilities associated with inequality in access to opportunities.

Almost **100** refugees and migrants received financial education exploring the diverse options of savings and the role of liquidity in successful economic ventures. **Over 1,500** received training and participated in **entrepreneurship programmes** to **increase**

their livelihoods opportunities to boost self-reliance. Some 150 persons benefited from CBI for livelihoods, which supports them to acquire raw materials and equipment for small business ventures, and some 12,400 persons received multisectoral CBI.

GTRM partners provided sexual and reproductive health (SRH) assistance to some 370 refugees and migrants and specialized health consultations for 40 persons living with HIV. Some 150 persons received almost USD 22,400 in CBI support to access health services and treatment, while another 1,000 benefited from remote mental health services.

Coordination

GTRM's preparedness efforts have enabled its 79 partners to coordinate a sectorial approach to the R4V emergency response. The GTRM held its first plenary meeting of 2021 to address the most urgent needs of refugees and migrants from Venezuela, with special emphasis on the unfolding events at the northern border and the monitoring of the overall response. Following the new lockdown measures implemented in 10 regions, including metropolitan Lima, partners are concentrating their coordination efforts on how to address the increased vulnerabilities on livelihoods, shelter, food security, WASH, documentation, among others, that have set additional challenges for refugees, migrants, and host communities. The GTRM also liaised with the Ombudsperson's Office to advocate for the protection of highly vulnerable people, including refugees and migrants at the border, and keeps providing information through specific reporting products to monitor the situation in Tumbes.

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PEOPLE REACHED*		Education	Food Security	Health	Hum. Transp.	Integration	Nutrition	Protection	Shelter	WASH	СВІ
	RMRP	355	24,435	2,016	9	2,684	-	4,777	1,089	2,616	5,879
	NO RMRP	-	290	2,975	-	2,305	543	2,069	133	1,632	6,515

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