



# PREPAREDNESS AND MITIGATION MEASURES COVID-19

**UPDATE No 6** 

# SITUATION/CONTEXT INFORMATION

- On 3 April, the Peruvian Army announced that war tanks were placed at the northern border with Ecuador to prevent irregular entries. Air force planes are currently patrolling more than 20 known informal entry paths.
- On 3 April, and to support those who depend on their daily income, the government announced the
  inclusion of independent or self-employed workers in the 380 soles bonus policy.
- On 3 April, the President declared the obligatory use of face masks in public spaces.
- On 3 April, after reported abuses by the police, the national Ombudsperson Office informed that the entity
  will oversee that the rights of transgender people and other members of the LGTBIQ+ community are
  respected during the enforcement of the new mobility measures.
- On 4 April, the government announced that vulnerable families can pay water, electricity, natural gas and telecommunication bills in installments.
- On 6 April the Government declared a 48-hour national curfew during Easter holiday on 9 and 10 April. The
  Ministry of Health (MINSA) informed that some 12,000 daily tests are needed within the next couple of
  weeks when cases are expected to increase as the peak is reached.

### KEY IMPACTS, NEEDS AND RISKS

- Municipalities distributing food to vulnerable families are requesting the national identity document "DNI" to deliver the assistance, excluding refugees and migrants. Food insecurity remains a major challenge for Venezuelan nationals to comply with the quarantine and curfew measures in place, increasing their risk of being detained when looking for food or work, and of being infected.
- Partners reported an urgent need of WASH support. Scarcity of certain products affects the distribution of hygiene kits.

## RESPONSE

#### **PREPAREDNESS**

## Coordination:

- GTRM / RCO / INDECI
  - The GTRM, together with the UN Resident Coordination Office and the National Institute of Civil Defense (INDECI for its acronym in Spanish), have been coordinating the distribution of 5,000 food kits from private donations between 6 and 11 April. Some 20,000 vulnerable persons in Lima and Callao are being supported through this distribution. The food kits provide sustenance for seven days.
- Protection:
  - GTRM partners scaled up their response to support survivors of gender-based violence. The new referral paths will enable immediate assistance to survivors as well as follow up by partners with the national police



and the Ministry of Women and Vulnerable Populations (MIMP). GBV survivors will not be deported nor penalized in case of an irregular entry.

- GTRM/Ministry of Health:
  - GTRM partners in coordination with the MINSA agreed to provide 12 Refugee Housing Units (RHU) to enhance the capacity of two hospitals receiving persons with COVID-19 Symptoms.
- GTRM/Regional Governments:
  - Partners provided technical assistance on temporary shelter to the regional governments of Tacna and Tumbes, in order to assess suitable facilities to host vulnerable population amid the emergency.

#### **OPERATIONAL MEASURES**

- 1. Almost USD 300,000 have been distributed on CBI to support more than 7000 refugees and migrants across Peru. Distributions focused mainly in Lima and in Arequipa, Callao, Cusco, La Libertad, Lambayeque, Madre de Dios, Piura, Tacna and Tumbes.
- 2. Starting on 7 April, GTRM partners distributed some 580 food kits door to door in Lima. Four soup-kitchens received 380 kits to support up to 1,500 people.
- 3. The school year started virtually on 6 April and partners are providing educational materials for children in temporary shelters in Tumbes.

# **KEY FIGURES**





Partners reporting



8.6K

Food rations distributed



2.6M

USD Available



287K

USD Distributed

# REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS ASSISTED



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**Protection** 

Health

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**CBI** 

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