Humanitarian Response

Following Cyclone Enawo, IOM Madagascar received funding from the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) to help 3,000 households rebuild their homes, in coordination with the Malagasy Red Cross and CARE international.

Starting Afresh in Mauritius

Mr. Taimur (not his real name) has always been very self-reliant, but due to his irregular status in the United Kingdom, he feared leaving the medical facility where he had been admitted, despite improving health conditions. He felt relieved when he was made aware of IOM’s Assisted Voluntary Return and Reintegration (AVRR) programmes, and saw this as a possibility to start afresh.

IOM’s AVRR programmes offer a humane and dignified approach to return by encouraging migrants to identify opportunities for their socioeconomic reintegration and providing technical and financial assistance to ensure they access these, covering, for instance, their immediate accommodation needs, vocational training or work tools.

Since his return to Mauritius, Mr. Taimur is continuing his treatment and is pursuing further studies in health. With his family’s strong support, he has been able to progressively reintegrate. “However difficult some situations, there is always help available if you have the will to progress. The advice and support that I received from IOM has allowed me to find a way out and to move ahead with my life.” Mr. Taimur aims to succeed in his studies and to work productively to make a contribution to the community.

Border Management

IOM Madagascar launched the first national Border Management Assessment, which evaluates aspects of administration, regulatory framework, operations, and

DTM: Tracking Drought-induced Displacement in Madagascar
information management in regards to border management.

**Counter-Trafficking**

On June 12-13, IOM Madagascar hosted an awareness-raising workshop for airport check-in staff and immigration officers on the identification and referral of victims of human trafficking.

**3 New Field Offices**

IOM Madagascar opened three new field offices in June to meet the demands of its diversifying activities: In Antalaha and Maroantsetra in the Northeast, and in Ambovombe in the South.

**Drought-induced Migration in the South of Madagascar**

IOM Madagascar recently released the first report on the impact of the humanitarian crisis in Southern Madagascar on migration.

DTM (Displacement Tracking Matrix) is a set of tools developed and implemented by IOM at the global level to better inform the humanitarian response following the displacement of a population due to man-made or natural disasters. In Madagascar, the DTM is used to track displacement as a result of the prolonged drought in the South.

Since 2013, the “Grand Sud” of Madagascar has been affected by a devastating drought, placing its population in a protracted humanitarian emergency. Worsening food insecurity, malnutrition and poverty have contributed to forced displacement. In this context, the DTM is meant to map the impacts of displacement on communities of departure within the Androy Region through the release of quarterly DTM reports, which will better inform the humanitarian response.

In close collaboration with the National Office for Risk and Disaster Management (BNGRC), IOM Madagascar facilitated a preliminary inception workshop of presentation of the DTM tools in early June, followed by a training on the implementation of the DTM tools in Ambovombe on 28-29 June. A team of 44 enumerators and supervisors have begun collecting field data in the four districts of the Androy region, pre-identifying 61 Fokontany affected by drought-induced migration.

**IOM Development Fund in Madagascar – Watch our Video!**

Since 2015, the IOM Development Fund (IDF) has been supporting the Government of Madagascar through the funding of projects in counter-trafficking, labour migration, and migration, environment and climate change. In June, IOM’s Media and Communication Division and IOM Madagascar developed a video to showcase the success of IDF projects in Madagascar.

Since its creation, the IOM Development Fund has implemented over 600 capacity-building projects in 115 countries. To learn more about the IOM Development Fund activities, please visit developmentfund.iom.int

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Nirina - Victim of Trafficking

After years in Koweït, Nirina left her past behind and thanks to IOM now owes a pastry shop in Madagascar.

Check out her story!

3rd Pan-African Forum on Migration

On 15-17 May, delegates from Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles, and the Union of Comoros, participated in the 3rd Pan-African Forum on Migration in Kampala, jointly organised by the African Union, the Government of Uganda, the Intergovernmental Authority for Development (IGAD), and IOM. As the Forum’s technical secretariat, IOM assisted participants to review aspects of international migration and normative frameworks as they affect African migrants and their origin, transit and host communities.

The Forum, held under the theme “Towards an African Common Position on the Global Compact on Migration” was attended by over 150 participants; including officials from governments and sub-regional economic communities and institutions, international organisations and development partners, as well as civil society and private sector representatives, including from migrant, workers and employers’ organisations.

The Forum resulted in a draft Output Document that will inform an African Common Position on Migration in support of the Global Compact on Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration State-led negotiations in 2018. The draft reflects strong support among all countries represented to realise migrants’ human rights, including gender- and age-specific protection for victims of trafficking, and a desire to capitalise on diasporas’ and migrants’ contributions to sustainable development by facilitating remittances and regular migration within Africa.

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