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- North Kivu (conflict Congolese army versus M23): as of 16 July, fighting was ongoing in Nyiragongo district. FARDC have taken over Kibati and Buvira. Fighting area is out of reach for the moment, no information about the population. No movement of persons towards Goma. Rapid assessment mission conducted on 16 July in Kamango (Beni territory) by humanitarian INGO. Few returns observed.
- North Kivu / Ugandan border: Ugandan Red Cross has registered a tot. number of 66,139 refugees. No new arrivals registered since 14 July at transit centre Bubukwanga. 3,118 persons relocated to the Transit Centre on 16 July, bringing the tot. population of the center to 5,041. On-going efforts by UNHCR and humanitarian partners to set up basic services in the Transit Centre.

Sources: ECHO, UNHCR

🔀 Pakistan - Conflict in Karachi/Lyari Town

- Escalation of violence caused by armed groups in Karachi/Lyari Town over the last week led to a wave of internally displaced persons to Thatta and Badin districts.
- Initial assessment findings from ECHO Partners and Clusters indicate that an estimated 600 families (ca. 4000 people), mainly women and children (75% of IDP population), have fled the town of Lyari. Poor living conditions in spontaneous camps with no services, or in families with very limited coping strategies.
- Approx. 100 families at Shah Guririo Shrine (District Badin), where the District Administration has supplied a water tanker and a mobile clinic positioned by the Peoples Primary Health Care Initiative.

Source: ECHO

Philippines – Tropical Cyclone CIMARON

- CIMARON (named ISANG in the Philippines) is moving over Luzon strait; at 06:00 UTC 17 July it had a max. sustained wind speed of 64 km/h and its center was located near Calayan Islands (N Luzon, Philippines).
- As of 06:00 UTC 17 July data, it is forecast to move NW, over the South China Sea, slightly strengthening, passing off the coasts of SW Taiwan on 17/18 July and moving towards the provinces of Guangdong/Eujian (China). Moderate to heavy rains and winds might affect parts of N Luzon on 17 July, SW Taiwan on 17/18 July and parts of Guangdong and Fujian provinces on 18/19 July.
- As of 09:00 UTC 17 July, in the Philippines a Public Storm Warning Signal 1 for winds (45-60 km/h) was still in effect for the provinces of Ilocos Norte, Calayan, Babuyan and Batanes Group of Islands.

Sources: GDACS, PAGASA, NDRRMC, NASA, JMA

Ecuador – Volcano

- On 14 July Tungurahua volcano erupted, accompanied by pyroclastic flow and ash distribution. As of 15 July, ash has affected the Tungurahua, Chimborazo, Bolivar, Los Rios and Manabí provinces; no major damage reported; REDLAC reports at least 200 people evacuated.
- As of 16 July, substantial decline in volcano seismic activity, but the Geophysical Institute of the National Polytechnic School warned that mudflows or lahars may still be generated, due to rains over the area.

Sources: Ecuador Gov., Nat. Secretariat for Risk Management, National Service for Seismology and Volcanology, REDLAC, Local Media (1, 2)

₩ Peru – Earthquake

- Arequipa Region: 6.0M earthquake (depth 6.6 km) on 16 July 02:37 UTC. Epicenter ca. 88 km NNW of Arequipa.
- USGS PAGER, shaking up to "Very Strong" for ca. 2,000 people, "Strong" for ca. 4,000 people.
- As of 16 July, local media reported several houses destroyed or damaged in Caylloma province; damage assessment was on-going.

Sources: GDACS, USGS, Local Media, INDECI

W Papua New Guinea – Earthquake

- Bougainville island: 6.0M earthquake (depth 44.3 km) on 16 July 09:35 UTC struck 25 km W of Bougainville island.
- USGS PAGER, shaking up to "Moderate" for ca. 14,000 people
- As of 17 July morning, no reports of injures or damages in the media.

Sources: GDACS, USGS

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