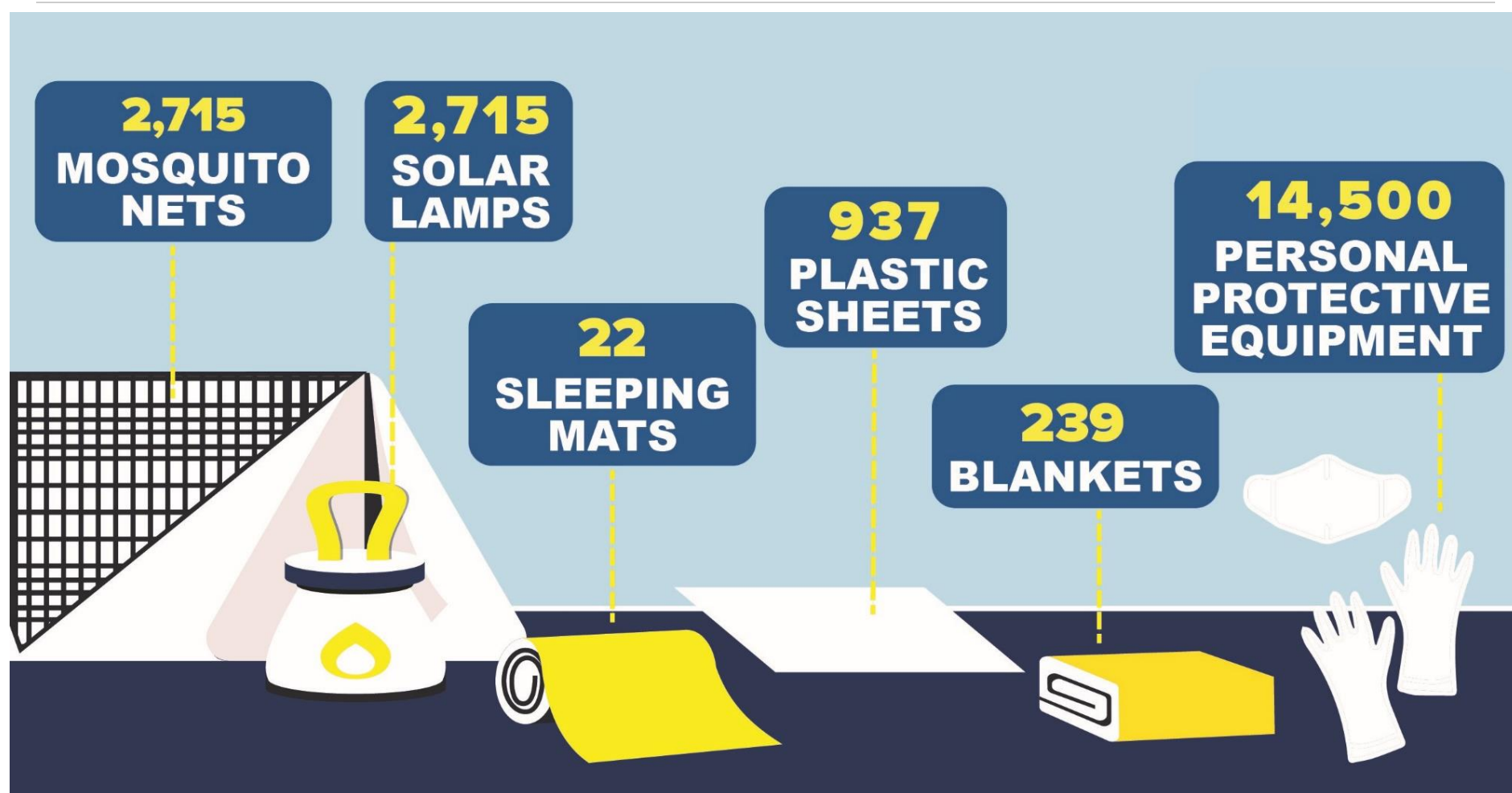


# CRI REPORT

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Upon request of the government, UNHCR will ensure provision of core relief items to displaced families. UNHCR will maintain a role as advocate to ensure adherence to the protection principles, including non-discrimination in the provision of aid, and provision of support to displaced persons with specific needs, including women, children or families headed by elderly persons. All distributions will be carried out in coordination and partnership with the local government units, and with partner humanitarian NGOs where feasible



## KEY POINTS

### CRI distribution in South Upi, Maguindanao

On 04 June 2020, CFSI distributed mosquito nets, solar lamps and plastic sheets to 598 Indigenous Peoples families in Brgy. Kuya, South Upi who have been displaced due to an armed conflict between government forces and non-state actors. Unresolved and continuing tensions over land also continue to affect these families.

### CRI distribution in Lebak, Sultan Kudarat

On 04 June 2020, MMI distributed plastic sheets, mosquito nets, solar lamps and blankets to 214 families in Brgy. Kalamongog, Lebak who were displaced due to various reasons including clan feuds.

### CRI distribution in Pikit, North Cotabato

On 24 June 2020, plastic sheets, blankets, and sleeping mats were distributed by CFSI to 22 displaced families who are mostly elderlies and are also survivors of a recent armed conflict in Pikit, North Cotabato. MMI also distributed solar lamps and mosquito nets to 1,669 families who fled their homes due to firefights experienced in the same municipality.

### Handover of PPEs to Marawi City Social Welfare and Development Office

On 22 June 2020, various specialized Personal Protective Equipment (N95 masks, gloves, and face shields) were delivered to Marawi City Social Welfare and Development Office to support 130 frontline service providers on their extensive intervention operations in the provision of basic services and relief assistance to internally displaced families in transitory sites and host communities.

### Handover of PPEs to the Ministry of Interior and Local Government of BARMM

Various PPEs (N95 masks, disposable masks, gloves, shoe covers, surgical caps and face shields) and plastic sheets were delivered to the Ministry of Interior and Local Government (MILG) BARMM to support their overall response to the needs of forcibly displaced families during and beyond the COVID-19 pandemic. This assistance benefitted at least 100 frontline service providers on the ground.

## GAPS AND CHALLENGES

- Road access to some interior barangays is challenging due to unpaved roads or roads being closed to the general public, barricaded or manned by armed men due to the recent hostilities.
- As these distributions were conducted during the COVID-19 pandemic, implementation of physical distancing measures is also a challenge as some beneficiaries are not conscious about these guidelines. Some are worried of not receiving their CRI entitlement and hence, they tend to crowd around the distribution area. Strict measures are being implemented by UNHCR partners to ensure compliance to specific LGU protocols.

## TOTAL BENEFICIARIES REACHED



**9,734** individuals

## PROTECTION WORKING GROUP FOR BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM)

In April 2019, PWG for BARMM was established under the leadership of Ministry of Social Services and Development, co-led by UNHCR. The Protection Working Group (PWG), based in Cotabato City, is being convened to support the provision of protection interventions and services to these disaster- and conflict-affected communities. The main objectives of BARMM PWG is to strengthen coordination among relevant actors with a protection role (from regional down to municipal and community level) in order to: (a) ensure timely prevention of and response to protection issues in the BARMM region; and (b) facilitate timely information-sharing among these actors, in support of effective planning and implementation. The PWG meets every 2 months with members of Government agencies with protection roles, Relevant LGUs, UN agencies, Local and International NGOs and CSOs.

## WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

UNHCR works in partnership with government entities, INGOs, NGOs, CSOs, and UN Agencies, and other organizations. Its primary role is to share information on protection risks and needs and to facilitate coordinated intervention among the various actors involved in IDP protection. UNHCR has project partnership with CFSI, CHR, ACCORD, MMI, KI, TKI, ACTED and IRDT covering Mindanao island including BARMM region. In addition to its project partnership, UNHCR works closely with local authorities and Mindanao Humanitarian Actors including: UNICEF | IOM | OCHA | UNDP | UNFPA | UNHABITAT | WFP | WHO | OXFAM | ACTION AGAINST HUNGER | CARE | UNWOMEN | ICRC | SAVE THE CHILDREN | KFPDI | PRC

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